#### Crossing 1121

### **Chapter 1121 Data!**

Right as the soldiers on the base were cheering for the mainframe for choosing the scene they wanted to see, the Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander on the screen pulled out his beam saber and ruthlessly rushed towards Lingtian's regiment commander.

Right as the beam saber was about to slice up Lingtian's regiment commander's mecha, Lingtian' regiment commander suddenly made a weird movement. The beam saber miraculously and softly scratched the surface of the mecha.

While Lingtian's regiment commander dodged the attack, a black and narrow sword was twirling around in his palm. In the end, it ruthlessly sliced towards his opponent in an unexpected and extremely difficult position to defend.

The Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander immediately narrowed his gaze Immediately, he jumped up and throttle his mecha's engine to the max, dodging the attack with the fastest speed.

At the same time, his left hand caught a high-frequency blade that popped out from his leg and blocked the incoming sword with it.

He then felt a strong force coming from his left hand. The immense force pushed his mecha back up even faster. In the blink of an eye, he was sent backwards by a few hundred meters.

His probing attack almost allowed his opponent to have a chance to hit him. The Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander instantly had cold sweats from this surprising development.

When he looked towards Lingtian's regiment commander mecha, he no longer had the arrogant look on his face. Instead, he became very cautious and serious.

On the plus side, the probing attack wasn't completely useless. At least it allowed him to understand that the opponent in front of him wasn't weaker than him, an imperial operator.

Yes, although Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander was piloting an ace mecha, he had already become an imperial operator. It was just like the Huaxia Federation, in order to increase their battle potential, these imperial operators weren't registered into the mainframe and announced to the world. Instead, they chose to hide their levels and continue to stay within the military to be the vanguard of their nations.

This was an unspoken rule that all nations in the world agreed upon silently. Thus, they would be considered imperials mecha operator that piloted ace mechas. However, when an imperial operator pilots an ace mecha, they could theoretically make full use of all parts of an ace mecha and they could even increase the battle potential of them.

Thus, the important border areas between nations always had a strong imperial operator hiding their level and defending that location. For example, Qi Yaoyang from back then had once hidden his level and guarded the border for 15 years.

Of course, the Nebula Boundary was only a small border. With Base Nebula being a base that could attack and escape, it wasn't important whether or not the strongest regiment commander of the

strongest clan was an imperial operator. This was also why when Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander received his orders, he didn't think much of it. He thought it would be just like usual and they would easily complete their mission.

It wasn't because he was proud and arrogant, but rather because he wasn't the only one who was an imperial operator hiding their level among members of Knight Ace Mecha Clan. The top 10 leaders under his command had already or perhaps already reached the level of pseudo imperial operator.

Despite Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander being surprised by Ling Lan's level, he still wasn't worried. It was only just one imperial operator. As long as he kept Ling Lan busy, victory will definitely be Knight Ace Mecha Clan's.

"Boss, someone who can escape from your clutches is definitely an imperial operator." Little Four's expression began to become serious. When even Little Four didn't put much emphasis on ace mecha operators, you would know Boss could easily defeat a group of mecha operators. However an imperial operator... Despite having confidence in Boss, Little Four was still worried because Boss's body was still in the recovery stage. Would fighting a similar level opponent cause any negative side effects on her body?

'Yeah, Knight Ace Mecha Clan is ranked 18th in Caesar. If their regiment commander isn't an imperial operator, then that would be weird.' Ling Lan thought calmly. From the very beginning, when she knew the enemy was Knight Ace Mecha Clan, she already knew that this regiment commander was an imperial operator.

Before taking her forces to Base Nebula, Ling Lan had returned home for a few days of vacation to say goodbye to her mom and dad.

After enduring her mom's nagging, Ling Xiao took her to the secret room and talked for a long time. He told her things that he hadn't mentioned before. One of which was that in every country, there were imperial operators hidden among in their militaries.

Ling Xiao was afraid that his daughter would be fooled by the fake information on the surface. That was why he told her about the details of which mecha clans had hidden imperial operators among them. Back then, when she saw her father handing her a thick pile of papers, she was mortified.

It turns out, the number of imperial operators was actually quite a lot compared to those shown on the surface. It was only because they were hidden in the military by those who were in power.

Unfortunately for Knight Ace Mecha Clan, their leaders were included in the list of who were suspected to have already reached imperial level.

Compared to how Knight Ace Mecha Clan knew nothing of Lingtian's capabilities, Lingtian knew Knight Ace Mecha Clan very well.

This was why Lingtian's leaders had already set their sights on Knight Ace Mecha Clan's leaders. They all knew that those people were their actual enemies.

Information was the most important factor to win a battle. There was no doubt that in the battle between Lingtian and Knight Ace Mecha Clan, Lingtian got everything going for them. If they still

couldn't take Knight Ace Mecha Clan down with all the advantages, then Ling Lan would have to think about whether her subordinates were all unable to become stronger without her help.

Ling Lan's words made Little Four realize that he had actually forgotten about that list. He put his head down in shame. He remembered that at that time, he seemed to have become so excited that he was dizzy because he saw Ling Lan's father beside him. He didn't even pay attention to the list of names.

"No, I can't lose to dad's handsomeness and noble mannerisms..." Little Four clenched his fists silently to get himself pumped. If he was to be in the same room as dad again, he definitely wouldn't allow himself to freeze up.

Ling Lan only spoke with Little Four for a short while and then continued to fight.

The two of them didn't want the other to have the chance of going into the center of the battlefield to create problems for their own side. They both had the thought of purposely keeping each other busy and letting their subordinates take care of things.

The decision made through unplanned unison caused the attacks by the two of them to become mainly to keep each other busy.

The fight between the two of them was like fire and water. It was seemingly dangerous and extremely fierce. However, both of them knew that their current fight wasn't as dangerous as the instant when they had first encountered each other.

However, the soldiers who were watching couldn't see through to this fact. They had their hearts gripped tightly while watching the fight between two regiment commanders. Every time Lingtian's regiment commander was in danger, these soldiers would uncontrollably clench their fists and become overly nervous. Some people even couldn't hold it in and shouted out.

"What do you guys see?" In the area under the control tower, many regiment commanders who were on standby, were standing in front of a large screen. Among them were three or four people standing in a small corner. After seeing Lingtian and Knight Ace Mecha Clan's fierce battle, one of the softly asked a question to the people around him.

"According to our information we acquired, Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander is a hidden imperial operator," one person replied softly.

"From that we assume that Lingtian's regiment commander is also definitely an imperial operator," another person continued.

"Who knew that Base Nebula would finally have an imperial operator gracing us with his appearance." The person who asked the question in the beginning now had a frozen expression on his face.

"Elder Brother Wu, what did you discover?" Seeing the oldest out of their group have a frozen expression, the other instantly became nervous.

# **Chapter 1122 Known Around the World!**

"I didn't figure anything out, but I know that if the higher-ups sent out a nameless and not well-known titled super mecha clan, with the regiment commander as an imperial operator... then something is off."

Elder Brother Wu smiled bitterly. "If we safely survive this battle, I suggest you all go increase your strength and your clan's battle potential immediately.

"Why?" one person asked.

"A war... a cataclysmic war is approaching!" Elder Brother Wu took a deep breath with a heavy expression. If it were actually what he thought, then how many of them could remain alive at the end of it all?

Elder Brother Wu's words turned the atmosphere solemn. Knowing Elder Brother Wu's character, they knew that he would not say anything if it wasn't important. If he said something would happen, then the chance of it happening was very high.

In that instant, they all became silent as they watched the battle between the two regiment commanders with complicated expressions on their faces.

At that moment, in the battlefield, countless mechas had been shot down and destroyed. The destruction of the war lit up this dark area of space.

After clashing with Ling Lan again and again, the Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander finally said, "You're strong, but it's time to end this."

After not receiving any reports and notifications from his leaders for quite some time now, the Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander finally felt a bit uneasy about the situation.

According to their normal procedures, once the situation was under control, his leaders would report to him as soon as possible. However, the commlink channels in his mecha were completely silent. He had tried to contact them himself, but there was no response... Something was off.

"Boss, he found out." Little Four pouted.

In order to make sure the opponent didn't know about the situation in the battlefield, Little Four had to cut off all signals around them by Ling Lan's orders. Of course, the result of cutting off all the signals was that they also couldn't receive any information from the outside. Thus, Little Four also didn't know who was winning and who was losing.

"I wanted to keep him busy longer, but if he has discovered it, then we might as well stop blocking the signals." Ling Lan didn't mind too much about her opponent finding out her plan. If she wanted to keep someone there, she was confident no one could escape from her grasp once she had them. Of course, if she were to forcibly block him from escaping, there would be more work she needed to do. That was why she lazily and shamelessly asked Little Four to block off the signals. If she could take the easier route, she would definitely not take the more difficult route.

When the Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander decided to put an end to this farce, he heard many people calling out to him in his mecha's commlink channels.

"Regiment Commander, please respond when you hear this. Please respond when you hear this."

"Regiment Commander, Team 34 has been scattered everywhere. We can't hold any longer. Please provide backup."

"Regiment Commander, Team 09's leader has died, Team 07's leader is severely injured and Team 05's leader has disappeared without a trace. The three teams have been completely scattered all around the place. My Team 06 is also fighting a hard battle on our front. Please provide backup to them, regiment commander. We cannot hold out much longer... ha... ha." Team 06's leader shouted while breathing heavily. His situation was turning worse and worse.

Bad news flooded into Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander's ears one by one. The death, severe injury and loss of his three pseudo imperial operators pained his heart. Could it be that the strongest Caesar mecha clan, Knight Ace Mecha Clan, was going to become decimated right here and now?

"No! Team 06, hold your ground." Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander roared in a saddened tone. He lifted up the large sword in his hand and rotated it with great force. With an immense and terrifying force, he sliced towards Ling Lan.

The person who was responsible for all this was this b\*stard in front of him. As long as he killed him, then victory would belong to Knight Ace Mecha Clan!

Ling Lan looked up and felt the tip of the blade coming at her from all sides. No matter where she dodge, she would still get hit by it.

"True Whirlwind Strike? Interesting. Then let me see which is stronger my own True Whirlwind Strike or Caesar's True Whirlwind Strike."

Ling Lan's wrist shook softly and Firmament began to tremble in her hands. The tip of the blade began to rotate in a circular motion.

Almost simultaneously, the two of them shouted, "Break!"

The force behind two different weapons finally met up with each other. Out of the two True Whirlwind Strikes, one of the strikes was performed on the basis to break through everything in its path, while the other strike used technique to break through from a point.

Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander felt a strong force hit his large sword. This force did not reach him just once, but rather in waves with each wave getting stronger than the last. Finally, this force reached a point that was more than what he could endure.

Of course, Ling Lan also felt the same overwhelming force that was coming towards her.

Ling Lan decisively jumped backwards. The two mechas were sent flying backwards by the force of the clash.

While the mecha was spiralling out of control, Ling Lan slowly and calmly used her fingers to send many commands to the mainframe of the mecha. At the same time, she activated the mecha's engine. Her mecha somersaulted to counter the last remnant of the explosive force to land perfectly.

Her opponent, the Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander, didn't have it as easy as she did. He was sent flying for a few hundred meters before he managed to gain back control of his mecha.

After seeing this scene, the soldiers in the base all instantly clapped and cheered. Their regiment commander from Lingtian finally managed to push away his opponent. They were waiting for this scene for too long. They almost thought that they would never see it.

"In terms of mecha power control, our regiment commander from Lingtian is clearly better than his opponent." The specs of mechas were fixed. However, how much strength one could exert from the mecha depended on the ability of the mecha operator.

"That's right. Victory to Lingtian! Victory to Lingtian!" No one knew which soldier shouted out 'Victory to Lingtian', but everyone in the audience just began to chant.

Ling Lan and the regiment commander from Knight Ace Mecha Clan didn't know the situation because Little Four had blocked off all signals. However, the soldiers in the base saw everything as clear as day.

The mainframe in the base discovered Little Four was finally gone and no longer giving it commands (Well actually when he blocked off all signals, Little Four also blocked himself from the mainframe. His signal jamming ability was one that targeted both enemy and ally communications). This excited the mainframe because in the past few days, it could rarely make its own decisions. The first thing he did is to impulsively change the scene to just the battle between normal members of both clans to prove that it was the real master of Base Nebula.

Well in reality, the battle between Lingtian's regiment commander and Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander had frightened it. That was why it decided to not watch it for its own sake...

In the end, the soldiers in the base were only able to see Lingtian's leaders killing and injuring Knight Ace Mecha Clan's leaders. Of course, they also saw Lingtian's mecha operators, who were not able to hold off against mecha operators from Knight Ace Mecha Clan be defeated. These scenes both excited and saddened the audience for Lingtian's victories and for Lingtian's sacrifices respectively.

At that moment, the scene returned its focus to the regiment commanders. (The mainframe discovered that his boss, Little Four, had returned. That's why he obediently turned it back to the two regiment commanders.) Lingtian's regiment commander was pushing Knight Ace Mecha Clan's regiment commander back. The excitement instantly made those watching unable to control their emotions and caused them to instantly begin cheering loudly.

The screams began from the front of one large screen and continued to spread. Not long after, 'Victory to Lingtian' was being cheered by everyone across the entire base.

"After this battle, Lingtian will definitely be known around the galaxy!" Yu Huan also heard the cheers. He looked at the regiment commander mecha on the screen with a complicated expression. In the end, he sighed ever so silently.

### Chapter 1123 Unexpected!

"How is that possible?" The regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan looked at the mecha of the regiment commander of Lingtian in disbelief.

In order to force obedience in the mecha operators under him, he had to be overwhelmingly stronger than them. He had been in the imperial level for ten years. His understanding and familiarity with the

imperial level were much deeper than those new imperial operators and pseudo imperial operators. This was why he was able to maintain an iron grip in Knight Ace Mecha Clan.

In the past, even when he met Qi Yaoyang in battle, he never lost. This was why he didn't care much when he knew that Ling Lan was an imperial operator. Qi Yaoyang was the undefeatable god of war of the Federation. He was the most powerful hidden imperial operator, so how could a no-named imperial operator be compared to him

Did another Qi Yaoyang appear in the Federation? But, he hadn't heard of Ling Lan's name before.

No, wait. A huge event occurred in the Federation a couple of months ago. The son of Ling Xiao jumped levels and operated a god-class mecha during the battle on Planet Haijiao. This piece of news astounded the world.

The regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan thought about this and felt shocked.

The son of Ling Xiao suffered from a serious backlash, and he lost his ability to ever pilot a mecha ever again. This verdict was confirmed by all the specialists and god-class mecha masters from all over the universe. The backlash from operating a god-class mecha was just too very strong. He was already very lucky to be able to stay alive.

The regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan believed in the verdict of the specialist and godclass operators but for some reason, he couldn't help but feel that this person in front of him was the son of Ling Xiao.

There were not many people with the surname 'Ling'. He couldn't think of anyone else with the surname 'Ling' who had such powerful talent and background.

As long as he didn't die, there were many possibilities. It was possible that the son of Ling Xiao managed to recover and regained his ability to pilot a mecha.

"Prince Ling!" The regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan suddenly shouted in the public channel.

"Little Four!" Ling Lan was shocked. She quickly called for Little Four in her mindscape.

"Don't worry boss. I've already blocked that sentence from the channel," Little Four replied immediately.

This was Boss's secret. If Boss didn't want anyone to know about this, no one would ever know.

Little Four was satisfied with his reaction speed. He didn't miss the chance to flaunt to his boss.

Huh? Why does this seem so familiar? It feels like something Li Lanfeng would do...

Pfft. Why did I think of that bastard? This is just my natural reaction. Little Four started scolding himself. He wasn't influenced by Li Lanfeng. No way!

Ling Lan was satisfied by Little Four's reaction. Since she had nothing to worry about, she said, "Your reaction speed is pretty fast, huh."

"It's really you!" The regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan narrowed his eyes. He instantly pressed the button to send this message back to Caesar.

However, the screen popped out and told him that the action had failed.

What happened? Why couldn't he send the message? The radar system on his ace mecha had been modified, so there shouldn't be any problem with sending a message back to the command ship.

"Don't be surprised. I blocked all your signals." Ling Lan knew what the other party wanted to do.

"No wonder you are admitting to it." The regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan suddenly understood why his opponent admitted his identity so readily. He didn't have anything to worry about. He probably had some high-tech interference system installed on his mecha to prevent him from sending messages back to Caesar.

The only way was to relay this message back to Caesar was to defeat this person and bring the message back personally.

The regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan held the sword in his hand tightly as he glared at Ling Lan.

"That's right." Ling Lan smiled. "You might have a chance if you just focus on fighting with me."

This was not a provocation. It was the truth. Just now, Ling Lan didn't go all out because she was worried about the condition of her body.

"Hahaha, Prince Ling, you're too arrogant." The regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan was so angry that he laughed. "Your father is a god-class operator, not

you."

'How dare he look down on me? I must have him pay the price for his arrogance.' The regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan roared angrily. A loud explosion from his engine was heard, and his mecha disappeared.

Ling Lan looked into the emptiness calmly. Firmament started spinning around her mecha. The high speed caused deep black whirlpool to form around Firmament. The strains from the whirlpool started spreading out.

"Here!" Ling Lan held onto Firmament and struck it at an abnormal spot.

Sparks flew and two cold weapons collided.

Ling Lan was right. This was where the regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan was hiding.

"How did you find me?" The regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan finally asked the question he was curious about.

"No matter where you hide, you still exist," Ling Lan replied before putting more pressure behind her sword.

Firmament was a good cold weapon. However, it was too thin and too narrow for most mecha operators. Most mecha operators weren't able to use it properly. Even if they did use Firmament, they wouldn't use it like a huge sword like what Ling Lan was doing.

When comparing the two swords, Firmament seemed weak. The people at the base felt that Ling Lan's sword would break in half under the pressure of the opponent's sword.

However, their worry was unnecessary. In the scene, the heavy sword was the one getting suppressed by the thin sword.

"This is a battle of pure strength." Most powerful mecha operators at the base knew what this represented. They screamed in happiness. Who said that Base Nebula didn't have a powerful mecha clan protecting it? Lingtian was that mecha clan.

"Look!" Someone suddenly exclaimed. He pointed to the corner of the screen.

"Mechas. Which side are they from?" The audience saw mechas coming from the corner of the screen. Three mechas were flying in from three different directions. Their goal was the two regiment commanders battling in the middle of the screen. The mechas moved really quickly and were very small so it was hard to identify them.

"It's our mechas." The soldiers at the base shouted happily when they saw Lingtian's symbols.

At that moment, the three mechas suddenly disappeared from the screen. Everyone stopped shouting. What happened?

"Ah!" Screams were heard. The regiment commander of Lingtian, who was on the winning end, suddenly flew out.

Before everyone regained their sense, a second scream came out from their throat uncontrollably.

Three cold weapons stabbed into the cockpit where the regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan was in.

# **Chapter 1124 Annihilation?**

The regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan used his last ounce of strength to look at the regiment commander of Lingtian in front of him.

His opponent's mecha spined its sword until the tip of the sword was right in front of his cockpit.

He could almost see the sneer on his opponent's face. He seemed to be saying: Do you think you can really defeat me?

A mouthful of blood suddenly spurted out of the regiment commander's mouth, tainting the screen in front of him blood-red. He slowly accepted his fate.

He always had a smooth journey in his life. He had killed many regiment commanders from the Federation in his journey but maybe, the smooth journey had made him forget that there were no rules on the battlefield.

It was his fault that he got ambushed by his enemies but this also represented that Lingtian won the battle against his mecha clan. If not, how could these mecha operators be able to ambush him?

He did notice the mechas when they ambushed him but there was already no chance of escaping as these ambushing mecha operators were as powerful as him.

"Lingtian, who are you?" the regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan said before he took his last breath. His eyes were wide open, dead, lifeless... He didn't get an answer to his question in the end so he wasn't able to die in content.

At that moment, the three mechas pulled out their cold weapons from the body of their opponent's mecha. They titled their bodies and slowly floated in the air.

"Regiment commander!" The three mecha lined up in front of Ling Lan.

The soldiers in the base finally saw who the mecha operators were.

The leader of Team 01, the leader of Team 02, and the leader of Team 06 were the people who managed to defeat the regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan.

No wait, wasn't the leader of Team 06 fighting with the leader of Team 07 from Knight Ace Mecha Clan? Did he already defeat the leader of Team 07?

No, that's impossible. No matter how powerful Li Lanfeng was, he wouldn't be able to defeat someone equally powerful in such a short time.

Other people might not know what happened but the people from Lingtian Mecha Clan knew.

They heard Zhao Jun's furious voice in their channel. "Li Lanfeng, how dare you kick me. Wait till this ends."

After Zhao Jun defeated his opponent, he got kicked by Li Lanfeng. He didn't even manage to take a break and regain his senses.

He accidentally bumped into the team leader of Team 07 from Knight Ace Mecha Clan. Thus, he had no choice but to fight with him.

Zhao Jun could only grab his sword tightly and fight with his opponent for dear life. As for Li Lanfeng, he didn't even look back. He just flew happily towards his Ling Lan.

How could Zhao Jun not be frustrated?

No one was surprised by what had happened. Only some team leaders were irritated by Zhao Jun's constant yelling so they turned off their channel so that they could prevent themselves from getting deaf. But, those newer team members didn't dare to do it so they could only listen obediently to the constant yelling.

Everyone remained calm because they knew this was what Big Leader Li was always like. Besides the two veteran soldiers, the team leaders of Team 01 and 02, everyone fell victim to Li Lanfeng's traps before. Zhao Jun and Li Yingjie were the two people who got tricked the most. They would always fight for the position of the most unlucky person of the month.

There was a saying in Lingtian. You can provoke anyone but Big Leader Li.

What about Ling Lan?

Are you kidding me? If you provoke Big Leader Li, you would be calculated and schemed against, but you would still be alive in the end. If you offended Boss, it wouldn't be an issue of death. It would be an issue of how to die faster. Boss just wasn't too lenient in this issue.

"Hurry up and end the fight." Ling Lan didn't even spare another glance at the regiment commander of Knight Ace Mecha Clan. She just gave an order immediately.

"Yes." The three leaders quickly disappeared from their spot.

The surviving members of Knight Ace Mecha Clan saw their regiment commander getting killed and felt hopeless. They didn't have the courage to fight anymore. They started running away.

If their opponent was a normal ace mecha clan or a newly advanced titled super mecha clan, they might be able to escape. However, this bunch of mecha operators were as powerful as any mecha operators from a top tier titled super mecha clan. How were they able to escape?

The battle was too one-sided. The mecha operators from Lingtian started chasing after the mecha operators from Knight Ace Mecha Clan. Lingtian's tradition could be seen through this battle. The audience watching the battle started turning pale in the face as they watched it.

The mecha operators from Lingtian were like sharks who smelled blood. Once they bite someone, their comrades would rush over and chop the enemy mecha into pieces.

This type of viciousness wasn't usually found in the Federation. The soldiers of the Federation were vicious but they would usually show mercy once the result of a battle was decided. They wouldn't act so mercilessly.

"Are they attempting to annihilate their opponent?" One of the mecha operators watching the battle swallowed his saliva.

Annihilating a mecha clan wasn't something new. However, it would normally happen to low tier mecha clans. No nation would care about the destruction of such mecha clans as they had many more in the back.

However, for famous mecha clans, or titled super mecha clans, unless both parties had deep grudges, annihilation was a big thing.

This was a matter of glory and pride. No nation would be able to swallow this. Knight Ace Mecha Clan was the top 18th mecha clan in Caesar. Once it was destroyed, the conflict between Caesar and the Federation would escalate tremendously.

Yang Mingzhi and Liu Furong defeated their opponents and looked at the massacre around them. They frowned.

"Regiment commander." Yang Mingzhi finally decided to talk to Ling Lan personally.

"What's the matter?" Ling Lan replied calmly.

"Since the battle is already decided, it's time to go back." Yang Mingzhi reminded her.

"It's alright. Our mecha operators are having a good time. Let them have more fun," Ling Lan replied.

"But... if we annihilate them all, it will bring trouble to the Federation," Yang Mingzhi spoke up about his concern.

"Do you think that the Federation will be safe if I stop now?" Ling Lan answered.

"Unless we lose and get annihilated by our opponents, the result will still be the same. If that is the case, why not slap Caesar harder?" A cold light flashed passed Ling Lan's eyes.

## Chapter 1125 Baseline!

Yang Mingzhi thought deeply about Ling Lan's words. After a few seconds, he smiled bitterly. "You understand the situation well. I was too simple-minded."

"You're not simple-minded. You just don't want to think," Ling Lan answered.

Yang Mingzhi was stunned by the sudden praise. He laughed after a while. "Regiment commander, don't be so direct. I have some ego too."

"There's not much time left. I'll only be able to let go of the Lingtian Mecha Clan after you sort out your thoughts." Ling Lan seemed to be referring to something.

Yang Mingzhi sighed. "I didn't manage to fool you."

"You didn't plan to fool me in the first place. If not, you wouldn't show so many loopholes to me," Ling Lan replied indifferently.

"Isn't it because you stopped caring about these things? Or was I too sensitive?" Yang Mingzhi slightly smiled as he asked.

"There's no point in saying such things. You know that Li Lanfeng has always been watching you." Ling Lan pouted. She always hated talking to sly old foxes. They always beat around the bush.

"I was under the impression that you won't trust Big Leader Li." Yang Mingzhi smiled.

"Oh? Why?" Ling Lan raised her eyebrows. She was curious about the reason why.

"Li Lanfeng is from the branch family but he has a strong connection with the main family. Moreover, you have two other successors of the Li family in your team. I thought that you would have your guards up against them." Yang Mingzhi had his own information sources so he managed to discover Li Lanfeng's identity.

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As for Li Shiyu and Li Yingjie, anyone who wanted to know more would be able to easily uncover their identity. The Li family had never thought of hiding them.

"They didn't go to the 4th division but came to the 23rd division instead. It's obvious that they wanted to make use of General Ling Xiao's power..." Yang Mingzhi looked at Ling Lan's mecha. He said with

respect, "Or they might be eyeing you instead. They want to make use of your fame to break the bind the military has on the Li family."

"Actually, the Li family is very successful through your teachings. Under your guidance, the three members of the Li family gained a good military rank. Every one of them is lieutenant colonels or higher. Li Lanfeng is even a colonel." Yang Mingzhi smiled. "26 years old. When I was 26 years old, I was still working hard to become a senior captain. I only became a colonel after turning 35 years old. I'm really jealous of them. Why didn't I meet such a good regiment commander like you when I was young?"

"I think you are very clear about their schemes already." Yang Mingzhi turned serious. "Do you really not mind or are you guarding against them while using them?"

"I've checked your past before you entered 250 Ace Mecha Clan. The First Marshal should be the one asking you to tell me all these information, right?" Ling Lan frowned. She went straight to the point.

"Regiment commander, since you already know it, why do you have to ask?" Yang Mingzhi gave a forced smile. All his secrets were uncovered. He was the team leader of Team 01 but he was also the First Marshal's man.

"I just want to clear everything up at once." The Lingtian Mecha Clan could seem mysterious to outsiders but she knew everything about the clan clearly. This was the only way to prevent Lingtian from falling apart internally.

Ling Lan created Lingtian but one day, she might have to leave this mecha clan. However, she didn't want Lingtian to only last briefly after her departure. She hoped that the spirit of Lingtian would pass down to future generations continuously.

"Actually, it doesn't matter if you're First Marshal's man," Ling Lan said seriously, "My father is under the First Marshal too. Hence, we're from the same faction."

Yang Mingzhi smiled bitterly. Was it really the same?

Today, if our loyalty lied towards the same person, then we're from the same faction. Tomorrow, if our ideas are different, we would have to go our separate ways. However, the two people must be in the same position for that to happen.

He was groomed personally by the First Marshal. If his mecha clan didn't get annihilated and he didn't get mentally traumatized by it, he might have already become the general of the 1st division. That year, he was supposed to rise to become a major general.

However, even after he gave up on himself, the First Marshal didn't give up on him. He still treated him very well and dragged him everywhere just to make him forget the pain. He was the one who didn't want to bother the First Marshal so he applied to come to the 23rd division. If not, he might have been the most trusted adviser of the First Marshal.

His connection with the First Marshal was too deep. He didn't know what he would do if the First Marshal asked him to leave Lingtian and go back to the 1st division.

That was why he tried his best to groom Liu Furong, Gu Dongyang, and the other team leaders. In the end, he was just a visitor of Lingtian, and he didn't know how long he could stay for.

"Of course, just like what you said, the military is guarding against all the elite families, including, the Li family, Ye family, and the four big families. This was why members of other families could attain high positions in the military but the members of elite families couldn't." Ling Lan had always chatted with her father about the secrets of the military so she knew how vigilant the military was of elite families.

"But... what do all these have to do with me?" Ling Lan asked lightly, "I'm just a regiment commander."

"They're able to get what they want if they follow you." Yang Mingzhi was shocked.

"They need to have the strength to do that first. If they have it, why should I prevent them?" Ling Landidn't care.

"Aren't you afraid they'll take over your power?" Yang Mingzhi frowned.

"Only unconfident people will have such thoughts." Ling Lan smiled and said proudly, "Even if I gave Lingtian to them, it'll still be my Lingtian once I step in."

Yang Mingzhi felt his heart pounding. He looked at the mecha floating in mid-air with a complicated expression. He felt that if the sky dropped, this mecha would be able to hold it up.

"I understand." Yang Mingzhi smiled. From the very beginning, Ling Lan wasn't afraid. That was why he didn't guard against the Li family or the First Marshal. From the moment the Lingtian Mecha Clan was created, Ling Lan was its soul.

"Our choice might be different, but that doesn't mean we can't work together."

"I understand, regiment commander." Yang Mingzhi smiled brightly.

"I only have one request. Don't do anything that could harm Lingtian directly or indirectly. I won't forgive anyone who does that." Ling Lan told him her baseline.

"I understand, regiment commander." Yang Mingzhi turned serious as he made his promise.

### Chapter 1126 Wait!

"Go and clear up the battlefield then." Ling Lan's tone suddenly turned cold. The gentleness in her voice disappeared.

"Yes, regiment commander!" Yang Mingzhi gripped his sword and flew away. The vicious regiment commander was so scary!

Ling Lan lightly rubbed her temples. "Troublesome."

However, did the First Marshal really think that she would start guarding against the Li family just because of his words? He seemed to be underestimating her. The Lingtian Mecha Clan had left her father's 23rd division, so she didn't have anything to worry about now. If Li Lanfeng really wanted it, she wouldn't mind giving it to him.

She would eventually leave the military in the future. She didn't mind handing Lingtian over to any of the team leaders.

The news of Knight Ace Mecha Clan's crushing defeat was soon passed to the supreme commander of Caesar.

"How is that possible?" The commanding officer couldn't believe this news at all. He had placed all of his hopes on Knight Ace Mecha Clan to capture Base Nebula. Yet, the undefeatable top tier mecha clan suffered an inexcusable defeat.

"Who is it? Who defeated them? Is it Dawn Hell? Ultimate Evil? Graceful Beauty? Emperor Rule? Or The Eight Dragons?" The commanding officer was furious. He quickly listed all the top ten famous mecha clans he was suspicious of..

"No. It's a mecha clan called Lingtian." The commanding officer's secretary's body was shaking. Cold sweat formed on his forehead. Luckily, he still managed to report what he found to his superior.

"Lingtian?" The commanding officer was stunned. The name of this Lingtian Mecha Clan was unfamiliar to him. He opened his mouth and asked, "What is its rank in the Federation?" To annihilate the Knight Ace Mecha Clan, they had to be within the top 15 mecha clans.

"I can't find them but the reports state that it's a newly advanced titled super mecha clan." The secretary wiped his cold sweat and forced a smile on his face. When he read the report, he also felt like it wasn't accurate.

"That's impossible. Are those people trying to fool me? Damn it!" The commanding officer took out his sword from its sheath on his waist and slashed the corner of the table.

"Commanding officer, we shouldn't doubt anyone now. We need to figure out what we need to do now?" The adviser beside him reminded him.

The defeat of the Knight Ace Mecha Clan messed up their plan. However, Caesar still had an advantage on the main battlefield. If they planned properly, they might still have a chance to take over the Nebula Boundary.

"You, sent two of our best mecha clans to take over the position of the Knight Ace Mecha Clan and order them to continue attacking. Don't give the Federation a chance to breathe." The commanding officer calmed down and thought about the next course of action.

"Boss, something is happening on Caesar's starship." The moment Caesar acted, Little Four noticed. He quickly informed his boss.

"Huh?" Ling Lan looked up at him.

"Caesar is planning to move all their forces to the frontline. They are also sending two mecha clans to take over Knight Ace Mecha Clan's position." Little Four looked at the 200 mecha operators from Knight Ace who were still fighting to survive. Their other comrades had already turned into ruins in space. He started pitying the commanding officer of Caesar as his actions would cause the annihilation of two more mecha clans.

"Hurry up and clear the battlefield. Two more big fishes are coming in," Ling Lan opened her channel and said calmly.

The team leaders and deputy leaders, who were watching at the side, took up their weapons and started clearing up the remaining opponents who were supposed to be practice dummies for the newer mecha operators.

"Head, shall we send the rescue team?" Luo Chao's deputy looked at the battlefield and noticed that the fight was coming to an end. However, his head still hadn't given any orders.

"There's no hurry." Luo Chao waved her hands calmly. She stopped her deputy who wanted to persuade her. "Let's wait for a while."

The deputy wanted to push his opinion further. If they didn't send the rescue team now, they wouldn't be able to save the mecha operators in time. If that happened, his head would be punished seriously.

Although Luo Chao was their regiment commander's fiancée, their regiment commander still punished her equally if she made any mistakes. He might be even stricter on his fiancée. He had chatted with his friends before and said that it was better to not be their regiment commander's fiancée.

"Weird, why hasn't Luo Chao sent in the rescue team?"

Li Jinghong and Lin Zhong-qing were looking at the battle between Lingtian and Knight Ace Mecha Clan from the command center of the Lingtian camping ground. They were puzzled too when they saw Luo Chao not doing anything after the battlefield was clearing up.

"Zhong-qing, shall we remind her?" Yuan Youyun suggested.

They went to school with Luo Chao and Han Xuya. Compared to Lin Zhong-qing and Luo Lang, they spent five more years with them. Their relationship was closer so they couldn't bear to see her making mistakes.

Lin Zhong-qing glanced at him. He seemed unhappy as he said, "Have you seen Luo Chao making any mistakes during important events?"

Everyone thought for a moment. They realized that Luo Chao was mostly punished because of her physical skills. For example, she wasn't able to finish the training Boss had planned for them. As for the executing the orders Boss gave her, she never made any mistakes in that aspect.

"Why hadn't she sent in the rescue team yet? Isn't she clearly making a mistake?"

"What happened to your intelligence?" Lin Zhong-qing was speechless. "Honestly, if someone makes mistakes, it will be you all, not Luo Chao and Han Xuya."

Lin Zhong-qing was extremely irritating when he wished to be.

Of course, only the higher authorities of Lingtian knew about this. Other people only knew Lin Zhongqing as a strict but kind and gentle head.

Lin Zhong-qing smiled coldly when he saw the annoyance on everyone's face. "You believe me? The only reason why she didn't move is that she received an order from Boss."

"In that case, why didn't Boss inform us?" Li Jinghong was unwilling to give up.

"Our mission is to control the internal workings of the base. Why would Boss inform us about what's happening on the battlefield?" Lin Zhong-qing rebutted, "The answer will be revealed soon. Let's sit quietly and watch."

"Okay." Li Jinghong and the others sighed. Why weren't they as calm as Lin Zhong-qing?

They sat down quietly and watched the screen. They saw the people from Lingtian killing the last dregs of Knight Ace Mecha Clan. The mecha operators, who were doing anything, quickly cleared up the battlefield. If they saw a dying comrade, they would bring them into their cockpit. If they saw a surviving enemy, they would give them another stab.

# Chapter 1127 Survivor!

When the last enemy was killed, every mecha operator started clearing up the battlefield. All the team leaders brought their team members to different areas and started to camouflage themselves. They disappeared from the screen.

"The chameleon system." The people at the base shouted excitedly when they saw close to 2000 mechas disappearing into the vast space.

The chameleon system was able to camouflage the mechas to their surroundings. It was the perfect assasination system. However, this system was expensive and difficult to produce. Only those mechas with special mission would require to have such a system installed. Other types of mechas had no affinity with this system.

The more powerful the titled super mecha clan was, the better their equipment they had. It was said that only the top ten legendary mecha clans in the Federation had such a system installed in all their ace mechas. Moreover, only these mecha clans would have the right to own such powerful mechas too.

Of course, these were all just rumours. No one knew if they were true. They thought that they would only be able to see such an ambush in their dreams. Yet, it was happening right in front of their eyes.

'Is Lingtian actually a legendary mecha clan in disguise?' Almost everyone thought about this possibility.

They continued staring at the screen in anticipation even though they didn't know why Lingtian suddenly hid.

Just like that, the screen remained empty for three minutes. Only some broken ruins of mechas flew past the screen once in a while.

Just as the soldiers at the base thought that their eyes were going to roll out from their skulls, they suddenly saw numerous mechas appearing from the other end of the screen.

"It's Caesar." The hearts of all the audience started pounding furiously. From the small dots on the screen, they could tell that there were more mechas than the last battle. Lingtian had just ended a battle. Would they be able to handle another frightening attack?

If the two parties collided, Lingtian would be the one being surrounded.

The tides of war had now changed. Before this, Lingtian surrounded the Knight Ace Mecha Clan. Now, they were the ones in a predicament.

By now, all the soldiers in the base understood why the mecha operators of Lingtian activated their chameleon system.

Finally, the two mecha clans from Caesar entered the area where the battle happened a moment ago. They were shocked to see the ruins of Caesar mechas floating in the empty space.

"Knight Ace Mecha Clan didn't manage to last until our arrival?" One of the regiment commanders was flabbergasted.

"The battle should have just ended," another regiment commander looked at the spiking thermal radar and said

"How long approximately?" These two regiment commanders had worked together many times so they knew what each other's abilities were. They trusted each other deeply.

"Not more than ten minutes ago." The regiment commander replied after analyzing the thermal radar.

"They're lucky. They left before we came," the regiment commander who spoke first said with frustration. "Roland, do you think Knights gave up resisting and were taken as prisoners or were they..."

He wasn't able to say the word 'annihilated'.

"I hope that they were taken as prisoners, Doren," Roland replied.

"Why?" Doren was puzzled.

"That means that we won't be in danger. The other party must have retreated since they have so many prisoners. But, if they really got... we must run away now." Roland was serious.

If Lingtian Mecha Clan was able to defeat the Knight Ace Mecha Clan within such a short time, they must be really powerful. Not a single mecha was able to escape, including their regiment commander who was chosen as one of hundred mecha operators with the highest potential to advance to god-class.

They were already not as strong as the Knight Ace Mecha Clan. If they remained behind, what results could they achieve?

Regiment Commander Doren was thinking about the same thing. He shivered. "Shall we retreat?"

This place was too quiet. It scared him.

"Since we're here, we need to search carefully to check if there are any survivors. If not, we will be treated as cowards when we go back." Roland didn't expect this mission to be so troublesome. He thought that they were only here to reinforce the Knight Ace Mecha Clan but instead, they were here to collect their corpses.

"Okay. Let's search the area quickly and look for survivors." Just as Doren was about to give his command, Roland shouted, "Wait."

Doren got nervous. "What's wrong?"

"Send three mecha teams to search the area first. If nothing happens to them, we'll send the rest of our mecha clan." Roland was a cautious person. Before he understood the entire situation, he would not allow his clan to go forward.

"Okay. I'll listen to you." Doren felt that this arrangement was more appropriate too.

Soon, six mecha teams started searching the area in six different directions. Not longer after, they really managed to find survivors.

"Regiment commander, we found survivors." The search party was extremely excited.

Roland got nervous when he heard this. He quickly asked Doren to be on his guard and asked his men to prepare for battle at any moment.

Then, he ordered the search party to bring the survivors back.

The search party brought the survivors back safely.

"Regiment commander, we found four survivors." They showed the broken cockpits in their hands. They said, "However, we have too few people. We can't go deeper. There should be more survivors deeper in."

Roland grabbed his giant sword tightly, but his tone remained calm as he replied, "Team 45 will be in charge of searching for survivors. You all will follow me."

"Yes." The search party left again.

This happened a couple more times, and finally around ten survivors were found in total. However, since the search party was very small, they only managed to search a small portion of the battlefield.

"Roland, we can't continue like this. It will take more than half a day to search the entire battlefield. This is the Nebula Boundary. We can't stay here for too long. It's too dangerous here." Base Nebula wasn't far away from them. If the main battle didn't take most of the attention of Base Nebula, they wouldn't dare to stay here for so long.

Nothing happened after so many attempts, so Roland started to wonder if he was being too cautious. He thought for a moment and decided to hasten the speed of the search to prevent any changes from happening.

Hence, Roland and Doren sent all their mecha operators into the battlefield to search for survivors.

## Chapter 1128 Analysis!

Around 500 mecha operators started to spread out and search for survivors.

Strangely, the closer they got towards Base Nebula, the fewer the survivors they found. The number of survivors found by two whole mecha clans was fewer than the number of survivors found by the three mecha teams.

Roland frowned when he saw this odd situation. He felt that something was amiss. He started to feel agitated.

Suddenly, he thought of something. He quickly switched to the public channel of the two mecha clans and asked, "Did you find any survivors from the Federation just now?"

The three leaders of the mecha teams replied, "No. We only found our men."

Roland's expression quickly changed. He shouted instantly, "Retreat! We got fooled."

The mecha operators from the two mecha clans were stunned when they heard this. Suddenly, the space around them started distorting and numerous mechas appeared out of nowhere.

"The Federation!" The mecha operators were only able to shout this sentence before they got stabbed by swords.

Numerous mecha operators were killed instantly. The sudden ambush flustered the mecha operators from Caesar. They didn't know what to do.

All the team leaders were shouting for their team members to reunite.

Before this, they were split up to cover more areas, so they were currently no match for an organised team. Every part of the space was filled with a leader of a team and his deputy. They were all either imperial mecha operators or pseudo imperial operators. Even the weaker ones were peak level ace mecha masters.

Their team members were all peak-level ace mecha masters too. Under the leadership of their leaders, they attacked the unprepared Caesar mecha operators ferociously like wild beasts.

"They... are so vicious." Yu Huan's expression constantly changed from the moment he saw Lingtian fighting with Knight Ace. He was shocked and stunned. When he saw Lingtian continuing to fight with two more mecha clans after annihilating one mecha clan, he didn't know what to say anymore.

"I always thought that he was just a talent the military wanted to groom. I was worried that he was too young that he might make mistakes. That was why I didn't let him be the commander-in-chief immediately. When he requested to fight with Knight Ace Mecha Clan, I thought that he was being reckless and hot-blooded. Now, it seems like I was the one who underestimated them."

Yu Huan gave a bitter smile. He looked at the mecha that was standing upright among all the shining stars in space. The mecha waved its sword lightly and the other mechas would start killing their enemies ruthlessly as though they were given a command.

They were ruthless. They only had one aim: The cockpit. They had no intention of leaving any survivors.

Such an act shouldn't have happened. The battlefield was brutal and there was no mercy but most nations still had a Humanitarian Agreement. Once the result of the battle was decided, the other party shouldn't kill their opponents anymore. They must first ask their opponents to surrender. If their opponents didn't want to surrender, they could then kill them.

Of course, if it was a life-or-death situation, such a matter wouldn't exist. For instance, Twilight would never hold back whenever it fought with the Federation. However, this grudge subsided a little after General Ling Xiao came back alive.

They weren't talents groomed by the Federation. They were devils released by the military. Yu Huan searched for the order he received again. He blankly stared at the order.

In charge of the safety of the planetary sector? He started analyzing this order carefully.

Did this mean that the military had already given them the rights of command but to fool Caesar, they didn't state it clearly?

Yu Huan didn't think that this was an assessment for Lingtian but based on their current strength, no mecha clan in Base Nebula could fight on par with it, not even Proud Wind Mecha Clan.

If Lingtian wanted to gain the right of command, they just needed to ask the regiment commanders of the other mecha clans for a mecha battle. However, they didn't. They chose to stay in their camping ground and pass the four months calmly.

Were they not interested in the title of top mecha clan? Or was their regiment commander not interested in the position of a commander-in-chief? He had only seen Ling Lan once. He was in a daze the whole time and he almost ignored him. But, the sudden change in his aura towards the end and the cold and dangerous gaze allowed him to know that this wasn't someone indifferent to fame and wealth. He was someone who would get what he wanted.

That meant that there must be a reason why this ambitious person gave up the position of commander-in-chief.

"Is he trying to hide his capabilities? He probably doesn't trust the security of the base." Yu Huan seemed to understand something. He recalled how they were always at the losing end in their battle against Caesar. He and Ke Yufeng thought of many schemes but they always failed at the crucial moment.

"Did someone from Caesar manage to infiltrate the base?" Yu Huan frowned. He was frustrated. As the commanding officer of the base for more than ten years, he had already treated Base Nebula as his home. All the soldiers in the base were his family. Yet, someone among them was a spy. It was hard for him to accept this.

Most importantly, he didn't realize this problem at all. He needed someone who just came to the base to remind him of the possibility of a spy using his actions.

"The military probably have realized this problem so they sent Lingtian to control the situation." Yu Huan could only comfort himself this way. There were many advisers in the military. It was possible that they were able to notice the existence of a spy.

"That's maybe why Lingtian remained low profile until they had a chance to teach Caesar a lesson." Yu Huan felt that he had finally understood the order. This was the only explanation why Lingtian was so powerful.

Lingtian Mecha Clan might be a component in the entire scheme too. They might be a legendary mecha clan in disguise... no, legendary mecha clans were highly scrutinized by everyone so they wouldn't be able to disguise themselves so perfectly.

## **Chapter 1129 Unfortunate!**

The most reasonable explanation was that this mecha clan had its title changed when it was close to reaching legendary mecha clan status. It also took imperial operators who hid their abilities from different clans to increase the fighting potential of the mecha clan. Thus, it could be explained that it wasn't a legendary mecha clan when it formed, but yet it had the strength of a legendary mecha clan.

The Federation's military was playing a long game and Lingtian Mecha Clan was this game's most important piece.

Yu Huan's body shook and his eyes brightened. If that was the case, then he must cooperate with them to the best of his abilities. Base Nebula would definitely become Lingtian's strongest shield.

Ling Lan didn't know that Yu Huan had made such an odd connection to all the information available to him. She just wanted to let the new recruits get blood on their hands and prompt their ruthlessness and merciless behaviors. The Federation's military also didn't expect that Yu Huan would think of it like that when all they wanted to do was to make it difficult for Ling Xiao and Ling Lan by giving them an annoying order.

It had to be said that Ling Lan was very lucky. Every time she made a mess of things, it was either her father cleaning up after her or someone who didn't know the truth and used their own imagination and in the end actively helping her out.

Plus, Ling Lan made the ruthless decision because she wasn't aware she needed to abide by the rules of the Humanitarian Act.

The only battle she experienced was the battle on Planet Haijiao where such rules didn't apply. That was because Hailiya had already became enemies with the Federation because of the debate of who Planet Haijiao belonged to. In that way, abiding to the rules of the Humanitarian Act would depend on the commanders in the battle. If they were in a good mood, they would abide by it and they would pretend it didn't exist if they were in a bad mood. When Ling Lan entered the battle on Planet Haijiao, her luck was in the negatives. She encountered Hailiya's long planned out plot of sending out a full frontal attack to completely take over Planet Haijiao. In order to achieve victory as fast as possible, a battle like that wouldn't abide to such rules.

After experiencing countless times of battles to the death, Ling Lan assumed all battlefields were like this where one side perishes and the other side lives. The so-called Humanitarian Act was only just used to hide the truth from common citizens.

Little Four, also as an outsider, had received records from the Mandora Star System. The records from the Mandora Star System also showed that during the battle between two parties, it was a battle to the death with no surrenders.

As General Ling Xiao, who should have been responsible for teaching his daughter common knowledge about the battlefield, thought Ling Lan knew and understood everything

It couldn't be helped. Ling Lan was too independent which made Ling Xiao believe that such a small thing didn't need his teaching. Plus, he had never thought his daughter was fond of killing. In Ling Xiao's mind, his daughter would forever be a cute little princess. The adjective 'merciless' didn't have any connections with his daughter.

As for the leaders working under Ling Lan... they knew that Boss's real personality was merciless. Of course, they wouldn't look for punishment themselves and remind Boss that mercilessness in this situation was wrong. Even if someone was brave enough to remind her, it still wouldn't do anything. If it didn't do anything, then why would they go do something that yielded nothing. They would rather follow Boss and sharpen their blades to slaughter livestock.

Lingtian's group of individuals seemed to evolve into merciless individuals under Ling Lan's unconscious teachings. It forced them to have to be merciless in order to fit in.

Lingtian's ambush forced Caesar's two mecha clans unable to respond in time. However, these two mecha clans were after all not like standard mechas or mecha clan with new recruits where it was their first time on a battlefield. After a short while of panic, their team leaders finally managed to gather a portion of their forces and began retaliating with Lingtian's mecha operators.

Although Lingtian's ambush from the beginning had caused the two mecha clans to lose much of their forces, their numbers were still more than twice as many as Lingtian.

"We have more people than them. Everyone stop panicking and victory will be ours." Caesar's leaders noticed the number of mecha on Lingtian's side and immediately tried to boost the morale of their team members.

These words to boost morale were without a doubt effective. A battle in outer space was often won through the shear numbers of mechas. When these mecha operators saw that there weren't many mecha operators who had ambushed them, they instantly calmed down. Once they calmed down, their piloting skills instantly recovered to their normal state. Caesar's mecha operators began to perform to their actual capabilities and clashed with the mecha operators from Lingtian who were chasing them.

Doren saw this and his expression changed for the better. When he fell into the trap and ambushed, he had thought that they had entered the Federation's encirclement and it was all lost. He didn't expect that it was just a small group of mecha operators ambushing them. As long as they calmed down and fought normally, they would have a chance of turning the tide.

Compared to Doren's excitement, Roland's expression didn't change at all and was still pale as a white sheet.

"Doren!" He suddenly shouted, "Let's run."

"Huh?" Doren was dumbfounded. He didn't know why Roland would choose to run after knowing the opposition had way fewer people than they did. Wasn't retreating making Caesar look bad? It should be known that in the past few years the Federation had always just watched as they escaped.

"Knight Ace Mecha Clan! Did you forget what happened to Knight Ace Mecha Clan!" Roland's voice broke as he shouted out in fear, "Run, everyone run."

These mechas from the Federation showed traces of being in a battle. Some mecha even lost an arm or leg. These were all indications that these mecha operators from the Federation had just fought a fierce battle. Knight Ace Mecha Clan lost here, so that meant the mecha operators who killed them were these mecha operators standing before them.

In addition to their sudden appearance, they were also definitely equipped with the high cost and difficult to create chameleon system, and all of the mechas had this system. What did that mean? It meant that these mecha operators were the strongest in the Federation, otherwise the Federation wouldn't waste such money and resources on them.

Additionally, these mecha operators were able to calmly stand their ground after taking out Knight Ace Mecha Clan and ambush them with numbers fewer than them by half.

They weren't idiots and also weren't insane. They were so daring because they definitely knew they would be victorious.

There was also something else. Their numbers were indeed more than the opposition, but could their piloting skills be compared to Knight Ace Mecha Clan? These people had already taken out such a strong mecha clan like Knight Ace Mecha Clan. Why would it be any difficult for them to take out mecha operators who were less capable than those from Knight Ace Mecha Clan?

After Roland shouted, his fingers began to dance around furiously. In the face of life and death, the speed of his fingers broke through his original limit. His mecha's engine roared and he retreated up without hesitation. He was lucky that he was somewhat cautious and stayed in the back all this time, so he still had a chance to escape before the opposition completely trapped them.

"Hmm? There's actually someone who's smart?" Ling Lan raised her eyebrows as she looked towards the space in front of her.

"Unfortunately, I don't want Caesar to know details about us just yet." Ling Lan's left hand went towards her back and a long range beam sniper rifle appeared in it. She pointed it towards the escaping mecha and activated her Profound Insight Domain automatically.

"There." Her Profound Insight was too strong. Only one look was enough to allow her to see where she should aim.

Bang! A blinding white light shot out from the barrel, creating a straight white line as if it was going to split apart the very fabric of the dark outer space itself.

## **Chapter 1130 Questioning!**

Boom! As soon as the white light touched Roland's mecha, the mecha exploded in a wonderful myriad of colours, lighting up the dark and vast space.

One shot was enough to end the life of a regiment commander from Caesar.

The mecha operators were stunned by Roland's order to run. Before they could even react to the sudden order, they realised that their regiment commander was killed by a long-range mecha with a single shot.

Everyone was dumbfounded, including the people watching the battle in the base. The battle with Knight Ace proved that Ling Lan was a powerful close combat mecha operator When everyone thought that she was just good at close combat, her sudden snipe proved them wrong. She was good at close combat and long-range attacks.

Everyone from Lingtian felt proud just by the presence of Ling Lan. This was their regiment commander, someone so powerful that they could only look up to him.

Only highly skilled mecha operators would realise that Ling Lan's seemingly single shot was actually a culmination of many shots combined. The shots instantly depleted the energy of the protective shield and exploded the mecha in one single instance, making it seemed like she only just fired a single shot.

"Kill them!" All the mecha operators suddenly heard an indifferent voice on their channel.

This was the order of Hades.

The mecha operators shuddered just from the indifference in her voice. They quickly pushed down their excitement and tightly gripped their weapons. They started their brutal massacre.

"You're not satisfied with just Knight Ace Mecha Clan? Ling Lan, are you the hero of the Federation or are you the devil that's going to bring calamity?" Yu Huan stared at the mecha who was mercilessly killing the mechas of team leaders so that the battle could end quickly. Somehow, he felt fearful of this young regiment commander.

"Lingtian annihilated three mecha clans?" The battle quickly came to an end. The soldiers at the base finally regained their senses. They swallowed their saliva and spoke to the person beside them in disbelief.

"And one of them is the top 18th mecha clan of Caesar. I feel that the power dynamic in the universe is about to change." The mecha operator's eyes were shining with excitement. He looked at the mechas from Lingtian with envy.

Luo Chao suddenly stood up and contacted Han Xuya. "Xuya, prepare to eject the rescue team."

"I understand." Han Xuya had been waiting for Luo Chao's call. She immediately ordered the leaders of her JMC teams to eject the rescue team at the fastest possible speed.

"Look, Lingtian is acting again." Numerous mechas started to get ejected out of the launching ports. They quickly gathered in their teams under the command of their leaders and started clearing up the battlefield.

"Those are special-class operators... F\*\*k, special-class operators are in the rescue team. This is so extravagant." The soldiers who were already shocked once by Lingtian's capability were shocked again.

Those people who were still proud of their special-class level suddenly felt shameful. They were at the same level as the logisticians in Lingtian.

"Is Lingtian really not a legendary mecha clan?" someone exclaimed.

"That's right. Only legendary mecha clans have such strength and powerful equipment."

"They must be a legendary mecha clan. They probably just changed their title to come here."

Everyone immediately felt that they understood why Lingtian was so powerful.

At that moment, Lin Zhong-qing turned serious. "It's our battlefield now. We must cooperate with Head Li's medical department and send the injured mecha operators to the recovery pods."

Did they really think that four months was enough to increase the capabilities of the mecha operators drastically? Drastic times call for drastic measures, as Boss used forbidden medicines to compensate for the lack of training time. Forbidden medicines were good to use but the implications after using them were too great. Fortunately, Li Shiyu was the one who invented the medicine. Hence, he knew how to solve its implications. This was the main reason why Boss chose to use it.

No matter what, they must ensure that the future of these mecha operators does not get implicated by the use of the forbidden medicine.

The entire camping ground started getting busy. Lingtian no longer lacked logisticians but it still didn't reach the required number of logisticians for a mecha clan. However, under Lin Zhong-qing's reorganisation, these empty slots were taken care of.

Ling Lan safety stored her beam gun back in its holster. Lingtian had taken control of the situation. It was only a matter of time before all the Caesar mechas got destroyed.

"Regiment commander, there is a regiment commander from Caesar who wants to surrender." At that moment, a familiar yet unfamiliar voice appeared on the channel.

Ling Lan frowned. The mecha operators from Ling Lan slowed down the massacre on their opponents when they heard this.

On the public channel, a frightened and agitated voice was heard. This person was trying his best to speak the Federations language. "We surrender! Surrender! Stop!"

Ling Lan started frowning even more. She didn't plan to leave anyone alive. She was only able to make up any excuse if everyone was dead.

However, this person surrendered through the public channel. If she still ordered her men to kill him, then this could be used as evidence against her in court about her breaching the Humanitarian Act. She and her father were already having a hard time dealing with the issues their enemies threw towards them. She couldn't make any mistakes at this critical juncture.

Forget it. Leaving these people alive was troublesome but she would be able to find a way to solve them. Ling Lan decided to accept the surrender.

Suddenly, a scream of fright came from the channel as well as shouts of disbelief.

"Leader, why did you kill him?" The familiar yet unfamiliar voice sounded furious and shocked.

"We must use their lives to repay the lives of our dead comrades." Li Lanfeng's cold voice sounded. "Leave no one behind. Kill all of them. Don't let me repeat it again."

The newer soldiers and logisticians stared at the always gentle and calm Big Leader Li in disbelief. He actually violated the Humanitarian Act. They were flabbergasted. This was different from what they were taught. They didn't know if they should listen to him.

"This is an order!" Li Lanfeng raised his voice. "Kill them!"

"Regiment commander!" The familiar yet unfamiliar voice sounded in the channel again. He believed that his beloved regiment commander would stop this order.

But, it was too late. The mecha operators in Lingtian were too used to following commands. They raised their swords and killed the surrendered mecha operators from Caesar.