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"I understand." Luo Chao nodded to show that she understood, but she didn't leave. Instead, she walked towards the control panel of the healing pod and opened the healing pod. Ling Lan had bandages all over her as she laid within the healing pod.

Her entire head was bandaged up too so no one could see her features except for her eyes. She looked like a mummy now.

Luo Chao signalled to Li Shiyu and asked him to inject the agent to wake Ling Lan up. Li Shiyu looked at Li Lanfeng and shrugged. Then, he went forward and injected the agent. In the end, he didn't chase Luo Chao away.

Ling Lan opened her eyes slowly. She saw Luo Chao, Li Shiyu, and Li Lanfeng looking at her nervously. Then, she nodded to express that she was fine.

"Boss, Leader Li has something to discuss with your privately." Luo Chao used her eyes to tell Ling Lan that if it wasn't safe, she wouldn't leave.

Ling Lan was speechless. She nodded at Luo Chao and looked at the door, asking Luo Chao to go out.

Luo Chao finally was willing to leave. Before she turned around to leave, she glared at Li Shiyu and Li Lanfeng fiercely.

Li Shiyu was stunned. 'When did Luo Chao become so fierce?' That expression was only supposed to appear on Han Xuya's face.

Li Lanfeng started frowning again. After the battle ended, he noticed that Luo Chao's attitude towards Ling Lan had changed dramatically. 'What has happened?'

Li Lanfeng threw his weird thoughts aside. He mustn't disturb Ling Lan for too long. If not, it might worsen her injuries.

He went straight into the topic. "Shiyu feels that the Nuwa agent inhibits the effect of the other recovery agents from the Federation."

Ling Lan wasn't surprised. When she used the Nuwa agent, she had expected this side effect, so she just nodded and signalled Li Lanfeng to continue.

"If we want to heal you completely, we need to make more Nuwa agent. That means that we need to go to Planet Juhao again. How about we contact General Ling Xiao to ask him to make the necessary arrangements." Li Lanfeng told Ling Lan his idea. With General Ling Xiao helping them, they would be able to enter Planet Juhao easily.

Ling Lan closed her eyes and thought about it carefully. Then, she slowly shook her head.

"Why not? Without the Nuwa agent, you'll have to lie in the healing pod for the rest of your life," Li Lanfeng shouted angrily. He lost his cool when he saw Ling Lan rejecting his idea.

"It's not appropriate." Ling Lan squeezed out the words forcefully. Her voice was hoarse. The strong backlash had damaged her throat too, so this short sentence already caused her throat to burn.

Ling Lan quickly used the Qi exercises to heal her throat. She felt a little better after that.

She continued, "Everyone in the military has their eyes on Planet Juhao, as that planet affects the benefits of many people. The higher authorities are also watching my father closely. Those plants seem useless now but if a general purposely arrange for someone to pick it, everyone will think that something is amiss. Once someone finds that Shiyu is able to make the Nuwa agent, Shiyu will get forcefully controlled by the military. I don't want Shiyu to lose his freedom."

Li Shiyu was touched. He didn't expect Ling Lan to give up this plan just because of him. He hurriedly said, "I'm fine. Anything is fine as long as you're fine."

Something flashed passed Li Lanfeng's eyes. He clenched his fist tightly and remained silent for a few seconds. When he looked at Ling Lan again, his gaze had turned cold. "Your injuries are the most important thing now."

Between his brother and his friend, he chose his friend. He was indeed a selfish person.

Ling Lan's gaze turned sharp when she heard Li Lanfeng's reply. She looked at Li Lanfeng intently. She hoped that Li Lanfeng would remain calm.

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"Without the Nuwa agent, I can recover using my own method too." Ling Lan felt that her Qi exercises had allowed her body's condition to become much better. The effect was minimal so the medical equipment couldn't detect the change. This was why Li Shiyu thought that the agents didn't have any effects on her.

Ling Lan's gaze was like a bucket of cold water. It poured on Li Lanfeng and woke him up. He calmed down a little.

Li Shiyu's eyes lit up when he heard this. "What method are you talking about?"

"The secret arts of the Ling family." Ling Lan gave Li Shiyu a simple answer.

Li Lanfeng stepped away from the healing pod and mouthed 'Qi exercises' to ask if she was referring to this. Ling Lan nodded to show that he was right.

Li Shiyu frowned when he heard the words 'secret arts'. Severe consequences usually come after using secret arts. He felt that it was inappropriate, as his Nuwa agent was much safer. "Boss, I think that it's better to make more Nuwa agents. I don't really mind. Even if I'm caught, it will be just like changing my work environment. It's nothing compared to your health."

Ling Lan shook his head. "You don't mind but I mind." It took her a lot of effort to get a military doctor. She would be stupid to send such a good military doctor back to the Federation.

Li Shiyu had tears in his eyes when he heard this. He finally understood why his eldest cousin brother told him that he was willing to die for a comrade. With a friend like Ling Lan, he was willing to follow him all the way too.

"It's fine. Shiyu, you have to believe in our regiment commander." Li Lanfeng understood the benefits of the Qi exercises so he knew that Ling Lan was not saying that to console them. She was saying the truth. He also didn't want his younger brother to lose his freedom so he persuaded Li Shiyu too.

"I know." In front of his respectable eldest cousin brother and his invincible Boss, Li Shiyu couldn't reject them. He listened to them obediently.

"Plus, by right, those plants should be regarded as useless by the military so it would be put on auction soon. We can make use of that chance to acquire them." Ling Lan didn't plan to give up on those plants at all. She wanted to have more Nuwa agents.

The Li brother's eyes lit up. Even the Qi exercises were useless, this could be their Plan B. They just didn't know when the Federation was going to host an auction for the resources on Planet Juhao.

"Don't worry. I can wait." Ling Lan closed her eyes after she finished this sentence. Her spiritual power now could only keep her awake for a short period of time. This was a side effect of controlling the godclass mecha. Compared to her body, she was more worried about her spiritual power.

Li Lanfeng looked at Ling Lan intently when she closed her eyes. He closed the healing pod and watched as Ling Lan get submerged in a bath of agents again.

"Shiyu, experiment with all of the agents and then announce that they were useless." Li Lanfeng's gaze turned sharp.

"Huh?" Li Shiyu looked up in confusion. 'Why is Li Lanfeng asking me to do such an unnecessary thing.'

"The battle to protect our boss is just starting," Li Lanfeng said coldly.

24 minutes was too long for an imperial operator to control a god-class mecha. It was long enough for the military to be interested in Ling Lan. General Ling Xiao might not be able to protect Ling Lan alone. From the moment Ling Lan operated the god-class mecha, Li Lanfeng had predicted an invisible war was going to occur.

Chapter 912 Family Trait!

Qi Yaoyang always wanted to meet Ling Lan. He wanted to see how this person, whom Ling Xiao was so proud of and his son was so willing to follow, would be like. However, he didn't expect their first meeting in the real world to be like this.

Qi Yaoyang came with his adjutant under the guidance of the military doctor, Li Shiyu. They walked into a well-protected room. The moment they entered, Qi Yaoyang saw his son inside talking to a beautiful and charismatic female first lieutenant.

Qi Long heard someone entering so he turned towards the door. His jaw dropped wide open when he saw his father's poker face.

'Damn it, didn't they say that he was busy organizing the plan of retaliation of the Federation army? So, why does he have the time to come here?'

Qi Yaoyang disregarded Qi Long's dumbfounded face and went to look at Ling Lan. He turned and asked Li Shiyu, "I've received a report that Lieutenant Colonel Ling's injury can't be healed using any recovery agents. Can you explain the details to me?" If anything happened to Ling Lan under his watch, he wouldn't have the face to go back to look for Ling Xiao anymore.

Li Shiyu immediately turned serious and started explaining Ling Lan's condition.

"He is unable to stay awake for long periods of time. His body is on the verge of breaking down. No agent is able to help the condition..." Qi Yaoyang understood that Ling Lan's spiritual power and body must have received a huge backlash from controlling the god-class mecha, causing him to be on the verge of collapsing

Thinking about this, Qi Yaoyang was confused. 'Jumping level to control a god-class mecha has serious implications, so why did Ling Xiao allow his son to use his god-class mecha?'

Of course, he knew that if Ling Lan didn't control the god-class mecha for the precious 20 minutes, Base 013 would have fallen. Not only that, the fate of the reinforcements would be unclear too.

For people who were not familiar with Ling Xiao's personality, they might think that Ling Xiao would be happy as long as his son was still alive. However, Qi Yaoyang knew Ling Xiao very well. He wouldn't let Ling Lan control the god-class mecha without making the necessary arrangements. He must have prepared something beforehand.

Qi Yaoyang thought of something and quickly spoke to his adjutant. The adjutant nodded and hurried out of the room.

Qi Yaoyang turned to look at Qi Long. He glared at him and said with contempt, "Brat, I've been in for so long. Are you not going to prepare a chair or me?" "This unfilial child!'

Qi Long's lips twitched. He walked to the side and found an arm-chair. While his father was not looking, he gave Li Shiyu a sad look. He was unhappy that Li Shiyu invited this big boss today without informing him. If he knew his father was coming, he would have ran far away.

Li Shiyu shrugged helplessly. He didn't know that this big boss would come today. Was he supposed to stop him from coming in?

"Stop doing all those sneaky actions. Hurry up and come over!" How could those sneaky actions between Qi Long and Li Shiyu escape Qi Yaoyang's eyes? He glared at Qi Long again so Qi Long had no choice but to walk over obediently while carrying the arm-chair.

"Father, have a seat." Qi Long patted the chair as though he was dusting it and spoke nicely to his father.

Han Xuya widened her eyes in shock. She finally understood where Qi Long learned all those ass-kissing actions from.

"Hmph, brat. Now you're calling me father." If he didn't remind him, this brat might not have greeted him.

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"You've always been busy. I just didn't want to disturb you." Qi Long appeared humble and sincere as though he was speaking the truth.

However, Qi Yaoyang was not fooled by this face, as he knew his youngest son very well. He looked humble but he was a truly shrewd person inside. Qi Long didn't come to find him because he didn't want to be reprimanded.

"What's your plan now?" Qi Yaoyang sighed as he asked. Even if his youngest son didn't like him, what could he do? Children were here to claim debt from them. But... that didn't seem right too. His oldest and second oldest son were both obedient and could take care of themselves. Only his youngest son was naughty and hard to handle. If he didn't look like him, he would have suspected that they carried the wrong child back from the hospital.

Qi Long didn't know that his father almost thought he wasn't a child of the Qi family. His face turned dark when he heard the question. "Our main aim is to protect our Boss now. If he doesn't get better, we won't have the spirit to fight."

Qi Yaoyang didn't know if he should praise his son for being a loyal friend on should he blame him for being emotional and disregarding the big picture. He turned and looked at Ling Lan who was in the healing pod. "What did your boss say?"

Suddenly, he realized what he had said and slapped Qi Long's forehead. He scolded, "Stupid brat. How can you call your commanding officer Boss in the army? Who taught you how to disobey the rules? Why are you disobeying the rules?"

"Father, I was wrong. Stop hitting me!" Qi Long hugged his head and ran around the room as he pleaded for mercy. He felt frustrated. 'Damn it, didn't father called Ling Lan 'Boss' too? He should hit himself too.'

The two people in the room, Li Shiyu and Han Xuya, were bewildered from the moment the conversation between the Qi Yaoyang and Qi Long started. Their mouths never closed since the beginning of the conversation. They seemed to understand why Qi long liked to fight. It must be a family trait.

The two guards beside Qi Yaoyang seemed indifferent to the situation in front of them. They seemed to be very used to it already. Every time the father and son met, this would always happen. If they decided to speak nicely with each other for once, then that would be truly horrifying.

Suddenly, the sound of hurried footsteps was heard outside. Qi Yaoyang quickly stopped what he was doing and resumed his stern expression and excellent posture.

Very soon, a few people walked in. Besides Qi Yaoyang's adjutant, there were a few old soldiers walking with him.

One of the old soldiers was so agitated that his eyes were blood-red. He nodded at Qi Yaoyang and then walked quickly towards Ling Lan's healing pod. When he saw the heavily injured Ling Lan with bandages all over her and lying unconsciously in the healing pod, he cried. "Young Master!"

He controlled his emotions quickly and spoke to the only person wearing a white gown in the room. "Can you help me wake up my young master for a few minutes?"

Li Shiyu looked at Qi Yaoyang. Qi Yaoyang introduced the old man, "This is the Chamberlain of the Ling family, Ling Qin. General Ling asked him to come over."

Li Shiyu immediately nodded at Han Xuya. Han Xuya quickly prepared the agent while Li Shiyu opened the healing pod. They woke Ling Lan up with the agent.

Ling Lan opened her eyes and saw someone she was surprised to see among the crowd. "Grandpa Chamberlain..."

Chapter 913 Daughter-in-law?

Ling Lan's hoarse voice caused Ling Qin's emotions to explode again. He cried, "Young master, you've suffered much."

If it wasn't for them, young master would be living life freely as a young lady now. She would have enjoyed the love of general and madam and could so anything she wanted. She would live a carefree and happy life. She wouldn't need to go to battles and risk her life in order to protect a base. She wouldn't need to get injured or endanger her life.

Ling Qin felt much regret in his heart. If he could remake his decision back then, he wouldn't have disguised his young miss as a man so that she could inherit general's merit. He was willing to give up everything for his young miss to grow up happily and healthily. Unfortunately, it was too late when they realized this. Those external factors were nothing when compared with the health and happiness of their young miss.

Ling Lan noticed Ling Qin's emotions so she consoled him, "I'm alright. I'll be alright after I get some rest."

Ling Qin wiped his tears and looked at Ling Lan. He had watched her grow up. She had always been thoughtful and kind. In order to not disappoint them, she forced herself to work harder and harder. Ling Qin knew how smart Ling Lan was. She definitely knew the condition of her body but she still remained calm and strong. The first thing she thought of was comforting him and not worrying about herself.

Ling Qin controlled his emotions and said, "The general asked me to bring two things with me." He turned and signaled to the two people that came with him. The two people handed over the things in their arms. Ling Qin took out a bag of agents first and passed it to Li Shiyu. "These are the recovery agents of the Ling family. You can experiment with it. It might be able to help young master."

Li Shiyu was elated. He hurriedly took the agents and left the room immediately. He went back to his laboratory and started experimenting with the new recovery agents.

Han Xuya saw Li Shiyu leaving without saying goodbye so she quickly apologized on his behalf. "I'm sorry. Our Doctor Li gets excited every time he sees a new agent. Please forgive him."

"That's alright. That is how a real military doctor should be like. I like him." Qi Yaoyang smiled brightly.

Han Xuya was stunned by his smile. Lieutenant General Qi knew how to smile too. He could be gentle too. Han Xuya must have been traumatized by the abusive communication method between Qi Yaoyang and Qi Long.

"There is still this box." Ling Qin opened a sealed box carefully. There was a shining crystal inside. Under the light, its shine was glaring to the eyes.

"What is this?" Ling Lan seemed puzzled.

Ling Qin said seriously, "The general says that this is a spiritual nourishing stone. If you place it on your forehead, it'll nourish your spiritual power."

A tinge of astonishment flashed passed Qi Yaoyang's face when he heard about the spiritual nourishing stone. However, it disappeared as quickly as it came.

Ling Lan sent a look towards Han Xuya. Then, Han Xuya quickly walked over to take the stone. When Ling Qin saw this, he quickly looked at Ling Lan.

"Grandpa Chamberlain, Xuya can be trusted." Ling Lan confirmed that Han Xuya was trustworthy.

Ling Qin passed the box to Han Xuya. Now, he had finally completed his mission.

"Lieutenant Colonel Ling, can you still remain awake?" Qi Yaoyang asked after he noticed that Ling Qin was done with his task.

Ling Lan nodded. Qi Yaoyang continued, "Let me pick the main points. What plans do you have for 250 Ace Mecha Clan?"

Ling Lan closed her eyes and thought for a few seconds. Then, she opened her eyes and said, "Li Lanfeng will stay at the base. The others will listen to you." Obviously, Qi Yaoyang didn't want 250 Ace Mecha Clan to waste this opportunity to get some merits. Ling Lan understood his intention so she made these arrangements to make it easier for him.

Qi Yaoyang nodded. No wonder Ling Xiao was so proud of his son. His son was powerful, smart, and full of foresight. If he could overcome this crisis, he would definitely become a figure in the military.

"I understand." Qi Yaoyang got the answer he wanted and left.

When he reached the door, he suddenly turned. "Little brat, is this lady my daughter-in-law?" When he came in, he saw his son interacting intimately with the lady. Their relationship seemed to be good. The lady was bright and extrovert. She also didn't seem shy like the other ladies. He was very satisfied with her. "Next time, remember to bring her home and let your mother take a good look at her."

His wife had scolded him many times because of Qi Long. If she knew that her youngest son had a girlfriend, she would be extremely happy.

Qi Long was dumbfounded. He pointed at Han Xuya with a blank face. 'When did Han Xuya become my wife?'

No matter how much of an extrovert Han Xuya was, she still blushed fiercely. Her entire face turned red like a tomato.

"Father, she isn't..." Qi Long didn't know what to say. He was agitated. He didn't know how his father linked Han Xuya and him together.

'If I denied it directly, wouldn't Han Xuya feel embarrassed?' Qi Long remembered that Han Xuya said she liked him. Qi Long had no thoughts of being in a relationship but he knew that if he denied it bluntly, the other party would feel very uncomfortable. At this moment, Han Xuya had calmed down. She said, "Lieutenant General, I think you might have a misunderstanding. How can I be Qi Long's wife?" Han Xuya smiled as she looked at Ling Lan. Ling Lan suddenly felt her head hurting.

"I'm Lieutenant Colonel Ling's fiancée." Just like what Ling Lan had expected, Han Xuya said this.

Ling Qin widened his eyes in shock. 'Is my hearing faulty? Does his Young Master have a fiancée now?'

Qi Yaoyang was disappointed when he heard this. It was rare for him to find such a promising daughterin-law candidate. Yet, this lady didn't belong to his son. It belonged to Ling Xiao's son.

"What a useless fellow. You can't even win against other people..." Qi Yaoyang glared at Qi Long angrily before leaving. He lost to Ling Xiao's son again. As expected, Ling Xiao was someone all the men in the world hated.

"Han Xuya, when did you become Boss's fiancée?" Qi Long was stunned too.

"Just now." Han Xuya glared at him. Then, she walked beside Ling Lan and smiled. "Am I right, Boss?"

"Stop fooling around," Ling Lan said helplessly. She knew that things would go out of hand if she continued this lie. She needed to find a way to solve it.

"Young Master, is she really your fiancée?" Ling Qin trembled as he pointed at Han Xuya. This old man got heavily impacted today. If his body wasn't strong enough, he might have fainted by now.

Chapter 914 We Have A Sister-in-law

Ling Lan couldn't think of a reply so Han Xuya took over. "Grandpa Chamberlain, I'm not the only one. My sister, Luo Chao, is also Boss's fiancée. If it wasn't for this relationship, Boss wouldn't have asked us to take care of him personally. We know the family rule of the Ling family."

Han Xuya looked at Ling Qin sincerely. She wanted to tell him that they knew about their Boss's secret.

Ling Qin instantly understood what she meant. He turned around and looked at Ling Lan. He wanted to know if his guess was correct. Ling Lan nodded to express that he was right.

Ling Qin looked at Han Xuya again. The astonishment in his face disappeared, it was replaced with a face filled with gratitude. He kept muttering, "Good child. You're all good children. Our Ling family is very lucky."

On the side, Qi Long hadn't recovered from the shock of Han Xuya becoming their Boss's wife. Now, even Luo Chao was their Boss's wife. 'How did my beloved younger sisters become my sisters-in-law after I came back from a battle?'

"Grandpa Chamberlain, I'll tell you the details next time." Ling Lan started to feel tired. She could only say this sentence before falling asleep again.

Ling Qin noticed that Ling Lan was tired so he said hurriedly, "Young master, the general asked you to use the spiritual nourishing stone immediately."

Han Xuya took the crystal from the boss and hurriedly placed it on Ling Lan's forehead.

A strange phenomenon suddenly happened. When that crystal touched Ling Lan's forehead, it started to melt as though it was a block of ice under a blinding ray of sunlight. It seeped into Ling Lan's forehead, leaving no trace behind.

Ling Qin and Han Xuya looked at Ling Lan worriedly. They didn't know if this was a good or bad thing. Ling Qin just brought the crystal over by he didn't know how it should be used. Hence, when he saw the crystal changing its form, he turned nervous.

This was what Ling Qin and Han Xuya saw. Only Ling Lan knew why the spiritual nourishing stone melted.

When the spiritual nourishing stone touched Ling Lan's forehead, Ling Lan felt the spiritual power in the crystal. It was from the same source as her spiritual power. Ling Lan tried her best to use the little amount of spiritual power she had left in her to touch the spiritual power in the stone. The moment she touched it, the spiritual nourishing stone suddenly melted as though it had received a command. The pure and powerful spiritual power inside it flowed into Ling Lan's mindscape furiously.

Ling Lan got a shock. She wanted to resist it but her mindscape didn't reject the spiritual power at all. Instead, it started to devour the spiritual power like a hungry dog. Ling Lan was also surprised when the spiritual power from the crystal started healing her dry mindscape after it merged with her spiritual power. It felt as if those spiritual power belonged to her now.

"This is definitely not a spiritual nourishing stone." Ling Lan knew what the spiritual nourishing stone was. It was a rare resource in the Federation. However, anyone with a high position would be able to get it. But, a real spiritual nourishing stone could only slowly nourish and heal someone's spiritual power. It acted as a support. The person using the spiritual nourishing stone still had to rely on himself to heal. It wouldn't be able to replenish her lack of spiritual power so quickly.

Ling Lan carefully examined the 'spiritual nourishing stone'. She suddenly sensed a familiar aura that was hidden in the spiritual power.

It was her father's spiritual power!

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Ling Lan didn't know how her father did it but she knew that congregating one's spiritual power into the pure crystal and taking it out was harmful to the person doing it. It might even cause everlasting damage to the person's spiritual power. But, his father still did this without any hesitation. In order to save his daughter, Ling Xiao did this and asked Qi Yaoyang and Ling Qin to send the crystal to Ling Lan as soon as possible. This was a display of Ling Xiao's love for Ling Lan.

Even a strong person like Ling Lan couldn't control her emotions. Tears started to fall from the corners of her eyes. She was really touched by her father's actions.

Heaven might be compensating her when it allowed her to become Ling Xiao and Lan Luofeng's daughter. The torment and pain she had endured in her past life allowed her to have such a lucky life.

Ling Lan had finally dropped the burden from her past life. This time, she really had let go of all her past memories. She used to say that her past life had nothing to do with her now but deep down inside, she still cared very much about it.

This time, Ling Lan felt the core of her spiritual power vibrating. Suddenly, her body turned into a black hole. It kept sucking the energy around it.

Of course, Han Xuya and Ling Qin didn't know what was happening. They only saw Ling Lan falling asleep again. They carefully placed her back into the healing pod so that she could rest.

Qi Long was in a daze the entire day. When his shift ended, he went back to 250 Ace Mecha Clan's camp to have dinner while still being in a shocked state.

"Qi Long, over here." Qi Long saw Xie Yi waving at him when he entered the cafeteria.

Luo Lang was sitting beside Xie Yi. Qi Long didn't know if Luo Lang knew that his sister had become his sister-in-law.

Qi Long walked over with a mind full of thoughts. He looked at Luo Lang and hesitated.

Luo Lang didn't notice Qi Long's gaze. He just continued eating his food attentively.

Xie Yi passed a serving of food to Qi Long. He had prepared this serving for Qi Long. It couldn't be helped, as Qi Long had a huge appetite. If he didn't help him to get more food, this fellow would wake up in the middle of the night because of hunger and start shouting. Everyone would be unable to sleep because of him. Xie Yi was deathly afraid of that happening.

Qi Long took the food and sat down quietly. Normally, his eyes would glint when he saw food. Then, he would start gorging down the food quickly. Yet, today, he put down his chopsticks after eating two mouthfuls of food. He looked at everyone on the table and sighed.

This abnormal action attracted everyone's attention. They turned around and looked at him with confused expressions. Han Jijyun, who used to be very concerned about Qi Long, didn't have any reaction surprisingly

As for Luo Lang, cough, besides their Boss who was able to get all his attention, he disregarded everyone

else.

"What's wrong?" Xie Yi asked curiously. Qi Long was weird today.

Qi Long sighed loudly again. He asked him back, "Do you know that our boss has a wife?"

"Kak! Pfft! What?" Zhao Jun was dumbstruck when he heard this. He started choking on his food before spitting his food out.

Luo Lang heard the word 'Boss' and turned attentive. He didn't have the heart to eat anymore.

Everyone from Lingtian stopped eating.

Even Li Lanfeng, who was eating his food seriously, put down his chopsticks and looked at Qi Long with a very serious expression.

Chapter 915 Bless Yourself!

Qi Long noticed that everyone's attention was finally on him so he continued, "Just now, Xuya said that she is Boss's fiancée."

"Huh?"

"Oh!"

Everyone was shocked for a moment before accepting it calmly. It seemed reasonable that one of the two ladies in Lingtian became their Boss's wife.

Li Lanfeng frowned. He didn't know when the relationship between Han Xuya and Ling Lan started.

Qi Long was unhappy with everyone's reaction. 'Is he the only one surprised?'

He was unwilling to only one feeling so down, so he continued, "On top of that, Luo Chao is our Boss's fiancée too."

This time, even Li Shiyu, who was thinking about the treatment plan, looked up in shock.

"Huh?" Everyone sounded even more astounded.

"Oh!" After some time, they turned calm again. Only Li Lanfeng held his chopsticks tightly. This isn't what Ling Lan would do. Why did he do this?'

Li Lanfeng calmed down after thinking about it for a while. He remembered changes in Luo Chao's attitude towards Ling Lan over the past few days. It all happened after Ling Lan's treatment. Obviously, something happened during the treatment. Li Lanfeng decided to ask Li Shiyu what had happened in the treatment room later.

Qi Long didn't understand why his friends were all so calm. "Why are you all so calm? Our Boss has two fiancées. Two!"

"So what? He is our Boss!" Xie Yi felt that it was understandable for a monster like Ling Lan to have a few women. This situation was very common among powerful people.

Li Shiyu remembered what Ling Lan said during the treatment. 'So, what he said was true.' He felt a weird emotion in his heart. In the end, he just sighed.

Qi Long was frustrated when he noticed how abnormal his friends' outlook on the world was. He turned and asked Luo Lang, "Luo Lang, what do you think?" As Luo Chao's brother, he shouldn't be able to accept this no matter how much he admired their Boss.

Luo Lang thought about it seriously before replying, "I think it's very good."

Qi Long almost vomited out blood. "Two ladies. Two! That means that one person has to be a mistress. Can you bear to let your sister become Boss's mistress? She wouldn't even have a formal status."

Luo Lang looked at him strangely. "Even my sister is fine with it. Why are you so agitated?"

Xie Yi suddenly thought of something. He made a sudden and exaggerated sound from his throat.

"The younger sister you like is gone, huh! Qi Long, you must be filled with regret now, right?" Xie Yi gave an evil smile.

"Regret? What will I regret?" Qi Long slapped Xie Yi's head forcefully. He was furious. "I'm just worried about our younger sisters. I admire our Boss but I can't let my younger sisters suffer like this." "Tsk, even her real brother doesn't mind. Why are you caring about them so much?" Xie Yi looked up from his bowl unhappily. Qi Long's slap caused him to smash into his bowl of rice. His face was filled with rice now.

'Damn it. I am still too weak.' That's why he got bullied so easily and he couldn't retaliate at all. He had a hard time surviving in this team that was filled with people more powerful than him.

Luo Lang saw this and thoughtfully passed him a piece of tissue. Xie Yi was touched. Sob, only Luo Lang treats me well.

Xie Yi took the tissue from the tissue box and wiped the rice off his face. At the same time, he gave Luo Lang a huge smile. He looked extremely stupid doing that. Many people felt their eyes twitching so they looked down and focused on eating. They shouldn't torture their eyes.

As for Luo Lang, he had satisfied his curiosity so he continued eating his food. He didn't notice Xie Yi's stupid smile at all. Even if he saw it, he would just wonder why Xie Yi was smiling at him. Did he like being slapped into a bowl of rice?

That's why you shouldn't talk to someone who wasn't on the same level of intelligence as you.

Qi Long felt wrong when he saw that no one supported his viewpoint. He looked at Han Jijyun who was eating his food and didn't say anything. He couldn't help but nudge him on the side. "Jijyun, do you think that it's okay for Boss to do this?" Only his best friend, Han Jijyun, could help him now.

"Huh?" Han Jijyun looked up in confusion when Qi Long nudged him.

"Jijyun, you didn't listen to what I said?" Qi Long felt hurt. He grabbed Han Jijyun's left wrist.

"Ah!" Han Jijyun shouted in pain and his brows furrowed.

Qi Long was shocked. He quickly pulled Han Jijyun's left hand over and pulled up his sleeve. He shouted angrily, "Jijyun, what happened to you?"

Han Jijyun's left arm was swollen and filled with bruises. It looked scary, as his skin was very fair. No wonder Qi Long was furious.

Han Jijyun slowly retracted his arm. He said calmly, "I'm fine."

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"What do you mean by fine? You're injured so badly." Qi Long had forgotten about the fact that his Boss had two wives. All his attention was now on Han Jijyun's arm.

Han Jijyun didn't want to reply. Qi Long wanted to probe further but Li Shiyu suddenly interrupted him, "Leader Han overexert himself during training recently. Even though you all have my recovery agent, you can't torture your body like this. You should train within your means."

Qi Long frowned. "You trained without me?" And even hurt yourself? A flame was burning in Qi Long's heart. He didn't know if he was angry that Han Jijyun tortured himself or was he angry at himself for not noticing his best friend's injuries.

"Everyone is busy. There's no time when everyone is free," Han Jijyun explained himself indifferently. Then, he continued eating his food without any expression.

He didn't say that even if he had the time, he didn't want to train with Qi Long. Before he had the ability to stand beside his friend, he didn't want them to know what he was doing.

"No time? Bullshit!" Qi Long slammed the table in front of him. All the cutlery on the table jumped up. His agile comrades quickly grabbed their bowls and shrunk at the side quietly. Qi Long liked fighting but his temper was good. He rarely got angry. However, it was frightening when he got angry. They didn't want to offend him and get implicated unnecessarily.

"Qi Long, calm down. We all have missions. When I'm free, you're not. When you're free, I'm not. It's normal." Han Jijyun tried to calm Qi Long down.

"Normal? Who are you trying to fool?" Qi Long scoffed. He pulled Han Jijyun up and said to everyone, "Continue eating. We have some personal stuff to settle."

"Sure, sure. Please do, please do." Their comrades nodded and ignored Han Jijyun's pleading look.

Better you than me. Han Jijyun, bless yourself.

Chapter 916 Truth!

Hence, Han Jijyun and Qi Long walked out of the canteen and came to the training ground. "Qi Long, it's dinner time now. Why did you bring me here?" Han Jijyun felt helpless when he got dragged here by Qi Long.

Qi Long didn't reply to him. He just released Han Jijyun from his grasp and took off his military attire.

Han Jijyun felt nervous. "Qi Long, what do you want to do?"

"What do I want to do? Didn't you say that there's no time for us to train together? Well, we have time now. If you want to train, I'll accompany you." Qi Long smiled coldly. If Han Jijyun really wanted to train with him, he could always ask him and they could arrange a time. Even if there wasn't any time, they could squeeze some of their eating time.

"Qi Long, stop being crazy. I don't want to train now." Han Jijyun shook his head. He wanted to leave but Qi Long stopped him. Without waiting for his reply, Qi Long tossed him into the arena.

Han Jijyun flipped in the air and landed stably on the border of the arena. The normally calm and composed Han Jijyun was furious now. His face turned red from anger. He shouted loudly, "Qi Long, what do you want?"

Qi Long took off his military uniform and threw it aside. Then, he unbuttoned the top two buttons of his dress shirt and pulled his sleeves up. He raised one of his eyebrows when he heard Han Jijyun's question and replied, "What's the point of training alone? If you want to become stronger, you need to fight continuously."

The moment he finished speaking, he appeared on the arena. He signaled for Han Jijyun to follow him and started to warm up his body.

Qi Long looked serious. Han Jijyun was the person who understood Qi Long the most. He knew that Qi Long meant what he said. If he didn't fight with him today, he wouldn't be able to leave this place.

Since the battle couldn't be evaded, Han Jijyun removed his military attire and walked onto the arena without a single word. He started warming himself up too.

After they finished preparing themselves, they started closing in on one another.

Boom! Han Jijyun finally acted. Qi Long raised his hand and blocked Han Jijyun's fist. He said, "That's not enough. Are you trying to tickle me?"

Boom! Han Jijyun replied Qi Long with a kick. Qi Long was able to block the fist in time but the powerful kick caused him to move a step back.

"Not bad. Continue." Qi Long laughed and rushed towards Han Jijyun again. The two of them started fighting intensely.

They fought furiously for half an hour before Han Jijyun finally exhausted all of his strength. He looked as he just came out of the pool with his shirt drenched with sweat. He laid on the arena and panted heavily.

Qi Long was drenched with sweat too. He walked towards Han Jijyun and sat down beside him. "How do you feel? Fighting with me is better than torturing yourself, right?" Training shouldn't be done by torturing oneself.

Han Jijyun turned his head and looked at Qi Long. After exhausting all his energy and sweating profusely, he finally felt relaxed. He felt as though he had vented his frustration out. Indeed, this kind of relief couldn't be obtained through torturing himself.

"Thank you." Han Jijyun could only reply to Qi Long with his thanks.

"Why are you thanking me? We agreed that we'll be best friends forever, right? We'll move forward together and never give up on each other." Qi Long looked at Han Jijyun. "Don't worry. You still have me. If you have any problems, we'll bear it together."

'How lucky am I to have such a good friend?' Han Jijyun's knot in his heart disappeared slowly.

"I don't want to be left behind." Han Jijyun finally said his true thoughts. "This time, I was the only one who caused those deaths. Qi Long, I can't find my position. I don't know what I should do. I feel that if I become stronger, I wouldn't be lost anymore."

"I know." Qi Long could tell that Han Jijyun was confused in this period of time. "I agree that you should become stronger. However, you can't do it without any care for your life. From now on, I must be present when you are training." That way, he could prevent Han Jijyun from overexerting himself.

"Okay!" Han Jijyun knew that Qi Long was concerned about him so he agreed readily. At the same time, he clenched his fist and raised it.

Qi Long smiled and clenched his fist too. They had a fist bump. "This is how my good brother should be."

He knew that Han Jijyun would find the correct path. Ever since they were young, he never had to worry that Han Jijyun would walk into a stray path.

After fighting with Han Jijyun, Qi Long had thrown aside his worries about his Boss having two wives.

In the cafeteria, Li Shiyu finished eating and went back to his office in the treatment center. After a while, someone came storming in the treatment center to find him.

"Do you have time for a chat?" Li Lanfeng had his hands crossed in front of his chest as he leaned against the wall opposite to his door.

Li Shiyu shrugged helplessly. "Come in."

Li Lanfeng followed Li Shiyu into his office and closed the door behind him. The words 'do not disturb' appeared on the screen on the door.

"What's the matter?" Li Shiyu asked as he sat on his seat.

"What happened in the treatment room when you were treating our Boss?" Li Lanfeng went into the topic directly.

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Li Shiyu remained silent. He didn't know what he should say and whether he should say it.

"Based on regiment commander's personality, he wouldn't marry two ladies. We all know what is Boss's relationship with Luo Chao and Han Xuya. He treated them like his younger sisters since long ago. This feeling wouldn't change in such a manner over a few days. This all happened after the treatment. Shiyu, you can't fool me." Li Lanfeng placed his hands on the table and stared at Li Shiyu intently.

"When Boss came back, he was heavily injured. All of his blood vessels had burst. Not one place was unhurt." Li Shiyu felt his heart hurting when he recalled the scene at that time.

This was the first time Li Lanfeng heard about Ling Lan's condition. Li Lanfeng's heart started hurting too. He knew that Ling Lan was badly injured but he didn't know that it was this bad.

"What happened after that?" Li Lanfeng pressed his chest and bore with the pain in his heart. This pain was similar to the time when he was still sick. 'Is this pain because his body still hadn't recovered fully

yet?'

"We had to bandage his entire body but Boss rejected me to do it." Li Shiyu looked confused. He was puzzled at that time. The rule Boss said was strange too.

"Oh?" Li Lanfeng raised his eyebrows. Normally, people would choose the same gender to treat them, right?

"Boss chose Luo Chao and Han Xuya because he said that the Ling family had a rule. The rule goes no matter who saw his body, the person would have to marry into the Ling family." Li Shiyu finally told him the truth.

"So, the regiment commander has two women now?" Li Lanfeng was flabbergasted. He had thought about many possibilities but this wasn't one of them.

Chapter 917 Savior!

The war on Planet Haijiao touched the hearts of all the citizens of the Federation. At the same time, it caused a huge commotion in other nations. The other countries reprimanded the Federation for breaking the Human United Agreement.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Federation was not just there for show. Since the inception of the country, the Federation had never lost in a verbal debate. This time, it was the same. They refute the claims by the other nations with the loophole in the Human United Agreement. Additionally, they told the accusing nations that they had clear evidence to prove that Hailiya broke the Human United Agreement first. If that wasn't the case, the God-class mecha wouldn't have appeared on the battlefield. Jumping levels in mecha piloting could cause the operator to die. No one would do it if they had a choice.

The mecha operators of the Federation were the treasures of the Federation. They wouldn't want any of them to be sacrificed. If Hailiya didn't break the rules. the mecha operator from the Federation wouldn't have to step out and use his life to protect the base as well as his comrades.

The diplomat from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs spoke so sincerely, he even cried when he talked about the pain the mecha operator had to go through. This Oscar-winning performance truly surprised the representatives from other nations. Thus, all the charges against the Federation were taken back.

All in all, the Federation proclaimed that it was all Hailiya's fault. Hailiya had to be punished.

The Federation was known for never admitting it's mistakes. Even if it was in the wrong, they were forced to do it.

At the meeting, the verbal battle was fierce. No one wanted to take a step back. If they didn't have to maintain their bearings as a diplomat, these people might have started fighting. Even though they didn't do that, they still slammed tables and smashed things. If they accidentally hit a diplomat of Hailiya with the object in their hands... Sorry! I didn't do it on purpose.

'What? You're unhappy? Why don't you throw one at me too?'

The accuracy of the diplomats from the Federation was much higher than the diplomats of other countries. This was all thanks to the education of the Federation. They had spent ten years in the military academy so their combat skills were much better than the other diplomats even though their position didn't need them to fight.

On Planet Haijiao, Qi Yaoyang finished his preparations and led the reinforcements to start their plan of retaliation.

The activation of the satellites allowed Little Four to sneak into all the bases of Hailiya. When the Federation started their attack, he interfered with the mainframes, causing them to slow down for a second when passing out commands.

This seemed like a short time but this one second was enough for the protective shield to collapse when their enemies were unable to replenish the loss of energy on time.

Since the delay in the mainframe was too short, the people from the Hailiya army didn't notice anything amiss. They just thought that the attack from the Federation was too powerful so it destroyed their protective shield in an instant.

As more and more bases got destroyed by the Federation, the command center of Hailiya predicted that it might be due to some secret weapon brought over by Qi Yaoyang. (The Federation had sent a godclass mecha over so it was possible that they brought another secret weapon too.) The Hailiya army couldn't resist against the Federation's forceful invasion, so they retreated. They wanted to retreat to the huge bases at the back and have a final battle with the Federation there.

In Base 013, besides those mecha clans that had to guard the base, all the soldiers followed Qi Yaoyang out to fight, including 250 Ace Mecha Clan.

Almost everyone in 250 Ace Mecha Clan went out this time. Besides Li Lanfeng who was left behind to guard the camp, everyone else was sent out by Ling Lan, including the logisticians. This was a good time to gain military merits. Ling Lan didn't want 250 Ace Mecha Clan to lose this chance.

As for team 08, Qi Long would take over as the temporary leader. His team 03 was almost annihilated and there was no time to reform it. Hence, he was the perfect person to take over Li Lanfeng's position.

Li Lanfeng settled everything at the base and came to Ling Lan's treatment room.

Because of her father's spiritual power, Ling Lan was able to stay awake for a longer period of time. However, Ling Lan, Li Lanfeng, and Li Shiyu felt that they must still let the public think that Ling Lan's injuries were getting worse. If not, the consequences would be disastrous. Even General Ling Xiao would be unable to protect them. Hence, they told everyone that Ling Lan was still sleeping in the healing pod with no signs of getting better.

Before Li Shiyu left the base, he successfully created the second generation of Nuwa agent. He experimented with the Ling family's agent and used his findings to reformulate a new formula for the Nuwa agent. He gave most of it for Ling Lan to drink and injected a portion of it into the recovery agent to heal Ling Lan's badly injured body.

'Isn't the Nuwa agent finished? Why are there still some left?' This was a reward for Ling Lan's kindness. Before all this, she diluted one Nuwa agent and gave it to the ten team leaders so that they could use it in times of emergency. Besides Han Jijyun who used some of it to help the survivors, the other team leaders still had theirs. When they heard how bad their regiment commander's condition was, they gave Li Shiyu their agents, making Li Shiyu feel elated.

He had the Ling family's agent with him too so he decided to use both of them to create a better agent. After a series of coincidence, he invented the second generation Nuwa agent. Its effects were much stronger than the first generation Nuwa agent.

After settling everything, Li Shiyu left unwillingly with 250 Ace Mecha Clan. He brought the equally unwilling Luo Chao and Han Xuya with him too.

In the military, if a female officer wanted to rise in position, they needed to acquire even more outstanding merits than a male soldier. The other way was to have someone powerful helping them.

Ling Lan didn't want Luo Chao and Han Xuya to live under someone's protection in their lifetime. She felt that these two ladies were not weaker than any men, so she didn't want them to miss this chance because they wanted to take care of her.

Li Lanfeng came to the treatment room. He used his domain to inspect the treatment room. When he noticed that everything was proper, he knocked on Ling Lan's healing pod.

This was their secret code. Ling Lan would pretend to be unconscious until he came.

Of course, Ling Lan didn't need the secret code. She didn't tell Li Lanfeng but when she was really unconscious, she was still aware of everything that was happening in the base, including the situation of the war. Plus, with Little Four guarding her, no one had the chance to spy her.

Hence, the moment Li Lanfeng entered the room, Little Four got excited and shouted to remind Ling Lan that Li Lanfeng was looking for her.

At first, Little Four had some qualms against Li Lanfeng. But, now, he treated Li Lanfeng like his life savior. His impression of him rose exponentially.

Even Ling Lan felt happy when she saw Li Lanfeng. Her admiration for Li Lanfeng rose too.

Why were they elated when they see Li Lanfeng? Well, we have to go back to the start.

After Ling Lan took in her father's spiritual power, she was able to keep herself awake for a longer period of time. She started getting bored in the healing pod. At this moment, her instructors, who had been waiting for this chance, caught her.

This time, there were three instructors teaching her. Ling Lan felt confused by that even till today. Those three instructors looked exactly the same. They introduced themselves as triplets and were known as Number Six, Number Seven, and Number Eight.

The three instructors thought her different things. One of them taught her about business, the other taught her about politics, and the last one taught her about military affairs.

First, let's talk about Number Six. The moment he saw Ling Lan, he started scolding her and reprimanding her on some of the decisions she had made for Base 013. He was dissatisfied with these decisions. For instance, when she ordered her team to retreat after snatching the food and water supplies. She could have saved everyone if she decided to hide at the base and wait for a chance to go back after that. However, she wanted everyone to stay together. They were able to return to the base because of luck, really.

Plus, about her controlling the god-class mecha, Number Six felt that this was something only an idiot would do. A professional commanding officer would know when to give up on certain things. Sacrifices couldn't be avoided but she still mustn't put herself at risk before the crisis really happened. This was a taboo.

Ling Lan was stunned by Number Six's reprimanding. Before she could understand everything Number Six taught her, Number Seven grabbed her and told her how to build a perfect base. His political plans

and schemes surprised Ling Lan. She realized that everything she did before was nothing compared to what Number Seven was teaching. But, before she could digest everything, the impatient Number Eight snatched her away. Then, he started analyzing the various investments Little Four had been making over the past few years.

Every day, Ling Lan would wake up in a daze. She would constantly receive dumps of information from her instructors before going to sleep confused. Ling Lan realized that all the hard pieces of training she had in the past seemed so easy now. The lessons from these three instructors were the scariest of them all.

However, she wasn't the only one suffering. Little Four suffered with her too. While she was being taught by Number Eight, she grabbed Little Four and made him learn with her. These things were all done by Little Four. Why should she suffer when the main culprit ran around freely outside?

Since Little Four did all the investments, Number Eight didn't reject his appearance. He had many opinions against all the investments he did so when Little Four appeared, he took this opportunity and reprimanded him too.

Every time Number Eight's lesson ended, the two students hugged their heads between their knees. They felt the world spinning around them. None of them had any talent in business so learning this was like torture to them.

When Li Lanfeng walked in, they were currently attending the most dreaded business lesson from Number Eight. Hence, the moment Little Four saw Li Lanfeng, he got excited. His life savior is here! He shouted happily, "Boss, Little Li is here."

Little Li was Little Four's nickname for Li Lanfeng now. This nickname came from the stupid Little White who was currently on Li Lanfeng's shoulder. While Little White was complaining about Li Lanfeng's abuse to Ling Lan, it called Li Lanfeng Little Li. Little Four shared Ling Lan's mindscape so he knew about this nickname too. He felt that this nickname really suited Li Lanfeng so he decided to use it too. The poor Li Lanfeng didn't know that these two cute and stupid figures had given him a not-so-good nickname.

"Ah, Number Eight, Li Lanfeng must be looking for me because he has something important to tell me. Shall we end the lesson now?" Ling Lan's eyes lit up as she looked at Number Eight with anticipation. She looked totally different from the lifeless character just now.

Number Eight felt his teeth hurting. However, he saw Ling Lan's excited face and couldn't bear to reject her. He said helplessly, "Fine, the lesson will end today. We'll continue tomorrow."

"Thank you, Number Eight." The moment Ling Lan finished speaking, she instantly disappeared from Number Eight's space. She didn't forget to bring Little Four, who was suffering along with her, in her escape.

They disappeared before Number Eight could say anything.

"Isn't there anyone for me to pass all my knowledge to?" Number Eight was dejected.

"Don't worry. Ling Lan is a smart person. Even if she doesn't have the talent in this area, she'll be able to get the hang of it after you teach her a few times." A voice sounded in the air.

Two people that looked exactly like Number Eight appeared beside him. When the three people stood together, it was hard to differentiate them. The only difference between the three of them was their clothes. Number Six was wearing the red military uniform of Mandora while Number Seven was wearing a purple shirt. Number Eight, on the other hand, was wearing a white gown.

"Yes. Number Eight, we lack everything but time," Number Seven told him.

"That's the only way." Number Eight gathered his spirit. Fortunately, he had Prince Four as his student too. He was not a talented person but when compared with Ling Lan, he was much better.

"Since Ling Lan had the thought of fighting for more power, she would accept what we taught her." Number Six knew that talent was just a small factor. Ling Lan learned slowly because she didn't like all this knowledge. Her mind resisted them instinctively.

"It looks like the external pressure on Ling Lan is still not enough." Number Seven knew this too. Although Ling Lan met many crises during this battle and seemed to have experienced a few life-ordeath situations, she was still very confident in herself. She believed in her father and believed that the Federation would send reinforcements. She believed that they were able to go back alive.

She had never been abandoned entirely. She didn't know what it felt like to be forsaken by all her friends and families. If she never experienced that moment, she wouldn't understand that a real powerful person was someone who controlled her own fate. If not, no matter how strong the person was, he was just a chess piece in the eyes of everyone else.

Ling Lan escaped successfully and opened her eyes. She saw that Li Lanfeng had opened her healing pod already and was looking at her intently.

"What's the matter?" Ling Lan raised one of her eyebrows. She was not going to tell him that she was waiting for him to save her.

Li Lanfeng looked at Ling Lan. He hesitated for a moment before finally gritting his teeth and asking.

"Why must there be such a rule in the Ling family?"

Chapter 918 The Promised Battle!

Ling Lan was speechless. She was afraid that she would have to explain her family rule to her friends. However, before she could prepare herself, Li Lanfeng came to find her about it first.

Ling Lan looked at Li Lanfeng coldly. She hoped that Li Lanfeng would understand her gaze and not probe further any further. Truth be told, she hadn't thought of a way out of this lie. Lies could be said, but once you said the first lie, you would need more and more lies to cover up the first lie. It was tiring and nothing good would come out of it.

In the past, Ling Lan's cold gaze would have instantly caused Li Lanfeng to give up. However, this time, Li Lanfeng insisted on finding the truth. Even if Ling Lan might be angry, he still wanted to find the truth.

"Rabbit, I know this rule is not passed down by your ancestors. If not, General Ling would not have married your mother when he was 26 years old." Li Lanfeng did much research on this matter. He even went to the extent of digging up the story between General Ling and Lan Luofeng. Ling Lan knew that once Li Lanfeng decided to investigate something, it would be hard to fool him. Ling Lan noticed the determined light in Li Lanfeng's eyes. He wouldn't let go unless he got an answer, making Ling Lan felt a little helpless.

'I should think of an excuse now.' Ling Lan's head started hurting. It was hard to fool someone so cunning.

Ling Lan thought for a moment. She apologized to her mother silently and said, "Cough, you know that my father is a very busy man so he rarely has time to accompany my mother. Thus, my mother is very bored at home, so she placed all her attention on

me."

Li Lanfeng frowned. "Is she urging you to marry?"

Ling Lan said in a helpless tone, "It's fine if she just wants me to marry someone. She's just too bored, so she wanted to have a grandson."

"No, if she just wanted to have a grandson, she wouldn't let you marry a man." Li Lanfeng was a meticulous person. He immediately noticed the loophole in Ling Lan's words.

"Li Lanfeng, you still don't understand what my mother's real motive is..." Ling Lan shook her head. "My mother just wants a good reason to force me to have a child."

This statement was half-true and half-lie. Ling Lan still hadn't given up the thought of robbing the sperm bank.

"Huh?!" Li Lanfeng was dumbstruck. He couldn't imagine the traditional and gentle Senior Colonel Lan having such open thoughts.

"Did Senior Colonel Lan set this rule?" Li Lanfeng was finally enlightened. "And General Ling didn't reject it?"

"My father always listens to my mother for such small matters." Ling Lan pouted. What she said was a lie but if her mother really gave her this rule, her father would definitely support her mother. He might even help her mother to make devious plans. As long as he didn't need to betray his country, her subservient father wouldn't reject her mother.

"Actually, you don't have to worry about the gender of a doctor. Senior Colonel Lan will understand." Li Lanfeng didn't want Ling Lan to marry so haphazardly. He hoped that Ling Lan would have a harmonious family in the future and not marry for political reasons.

"If my mother could be fooled so easily, my father wouldn't have fallen for my mother. He only has one woman in his life and that is my mother." Ling Lan apologized to her father silently too for dragging him in this mess.

"So that's why," Li Lanfeng murmured, as he seemed to understand why Ling Lan never bathed with anyone. His resting place was always guarded heavily. Every time he appeared, he was always dressed properly. "If that's the case, why did you reject Li Shiyu?" Since there was such a rule, why couldn't it be Li Shiyu? Why did she choose Luo Chao and Han Xuya?

"I don't like men," Ling Lan replied with an expressionless face but inside, her heart was crying. She hadn't found a man she liked but she wasn't gay too. The situation was dire at that time so she had no choice but to use this excuse to chase Li Shiyu away. However, she caused her two beloved younger sisters to sink into her lie.

When she woke up after her treatment, she regretted what she did. Her mind was in a whirl at that time so she lost her ability to think carefully. That was why she gave such a low-level excuse.

Li Lanfeng was stunned by Ling Lan's reply. 'Rabbit is not my destined king.'

Li Lanfeng had suspected that Ling Lan was his destined king. After all, among the comrades around him, he was the only one that resembled a king the most. At first, he suspected Qiao Ting. However, Qiao Ting had no chance of becoming a king now. Li Lanfeng thought about how calm Ling Lan was after looking at his face and felt that he was thinking too much. Now, after Ling Lan proclaimed that he didn't like men, he felt that the possibility of him being his destined king was zero.

Yet, for some reason, Li Lanfeng wasn't happy. He felt complicated and a strange feeling started engulfing his heart.

"What do you do now?" 'Is Rabbit really planning to marry one of the two ladies?' Li Lanfeng felt frustrated when he thought about this possibility.

'If I'm not able to stand beside Rabbit, no one can! Not even his wife!'

This sudden thought astounded Li Lanfeng. He felt puzzled. He knocked his forehead and forced himself to remain calm.

"I would only choose the option that benefits me the most. However, I'll take care of this matter. Let me think about it." Ling Lan frowned.

She didn't intend to bring Han Xuya and Luo Chao into her lie. She didn't want to harm their futures. She needed to think of a plan to solve this problem. If not, she would be unable to sleep properly.

"Yes, you have to think about it properly," Li Lanfeng agreed with what Ling Lan said.

He was speaking to himself too. He needed to think about why he had such weird emotions.

With many thoughts in his mind, Li Lanfeng bid farewell to Ling Lan. Ling Lan was relieved that Li Lanfeng didn't probe further. She managed to overcome this crisis.

"Little Four, do you think I should take this chance to declare that my injuries are too serious to be treated and retire from the army?" Ling Lan had thoughts of retiring. After this war, her comrades would be able to gain many merits and attain a higher position. They would be able to take care of themselves. So, it was probably time for her to leave.

"Boss, I'll listen to you." Little Four didn't have any opinions about the matter. The military was fun but the world outside the military was interesting too.

In a forest occupied by Hailiya, more than ten damaged mechas sat together in a circle.

The mecha operators of these mechas stood in the middle of the circle and were cooking some small beasts they found in the forest. These small beasts would satisfy their hunger for tonight.

"This is the last self-heating agent." One of the mecha operators sighed. He wouldn't be able to eat hot food from now on.

"Don't worry. Our reinforcements are here. Unfortunately, we are too far away from the base so we can't contact them. If not, our regiment commander will save us." One of the older mecha operators was confident.

At this moment, a young mecha operator looked up and asked curiously. "Uncle Sun, can you tell us which mecha clan do you come from?"

At that time, they were being chased by an ace mecha clan of the Hailiya army. When they were about to be caught up by the mecha clan, they met four mecha operators who came from the 23rd division. They managed to kill the mecha operators from the ace mecha clan and save them. From then on, they followed the four mecha operators and moved behind their enemies, hiding from them. Even until today, they still felt that they were in a dream.

The man called Uncle Sun smiled. "What's there to talk about? Aren't we all from the 23rd division?"

"Uncle Sun, please tell us. I don't believe that you come from a normal ace mecha clan." That young mecha operator wanted to know where his life savior came from so he kept asking Uncle Sun.

"Ah Luo, don't get overboard," another cold-looking young man said to him.

"Yes, Brother Huo." The young man called Ah Luo lowered his head in disappointment.

"Brother Huo, I want to know too. If I can, I would like to join Uncle Sun's mecha clan," another young man suddenly opened his mouth.

Ah Luo raised his head instantly when he heard someone supporting him. His eyes lit up as he said excitedly, "See, Brother Huo, even Feng-ming wants to know." He turned and placed his palms together. He pleaded, "Uncle Sun, please stop hiding it from. Please kindly tell us."

Brother Huo saw how determined his team members were so he looked apologetically at Uncle Sun.

The man called Uncle Sun looked at his three other comrades. They all nodded in approval. After this one week of interaction with these nine young mecha operators, they acknowledged their abilities and characters.

"Since you all want to know, I'll tell you. Don't think too highly of us," Uncle Sun smiled. "We're really from an ordinary mecha clan. We are from the 250 Ace Mecha Clan that is stationed at Base 013."

Uncle Sun was one of the four people that helped Ling Lan to escape. They couldn't catch up with Ling Lan, so they were surrounded by many Hailiya mechas. Thus, they had no choice but to remain in the second line of defense. After some time, they met these nine young men who lost their sense of direction as they were being chased by their enemies.

"250 Ace Mecha Clan?" Brother Huo was surprised.

"It looks like you've heard about our mecha clan before." Uncle Sun laughed. The people that knew about their mecha clan would know that they were a useless and infamous mecha clan.

"Yes, I know that all the mecha operators in 250 Ace Mecha Clan used to be the best mecha operators of the Federation. All of them had achieved many military merits before," the cold-looking young man said seriously. He knew the condition of 250 Ace Mecha Clan but he never looked down on them. They might not be able to control mechas now but their merits were real.

"Yes, you're right. The mecha operators in 250 Ace Mecha Clan used to be the best mecha operators in the Federation. However, they've all become useless mecha operators. It's an infamous mecha clan now." Sun Yaofei remembered how he was thrown to the 23rd division like a pile of rubbish. His heart ached uncontrollably. He knew that they were just a burden as they couldn't operate a mecha anymore but the actions of their past mecha clans still hurt them deeply.

"Ah!" The other eight young men, who didn't know about the details of 250 Ace Mecha Clan, were dumbfounded. They didn't know that these powerful mecha operators had such a past.

"It used to be called 250 Mecha Clan because there are 250 useless mecha operators in the mecha clan." Sun Yaofei felt irritated when he thought of the meaning behind their name.

"But now, you should be an imperial mecha operator, right?" Brother Huo didn't get distracted by Sun Yaofei's words. From the moment he saw these old mecha operators, he knew that they were not at elite ace. They must be higher than the elite ace level. If not, they wouldn't be able to kill a 12-man ace mecha team.

"Zhenyu, you have good eyesight." Sun Yaofei didn't deny it. "However, I just manage to advance to imperial level after this battle."

Surprisingly, the people Sun Yaofei saved were Huo Zhenyu and his friends. They fought with Ling Lan before.

Sun Yaofei briefly explained to them how they had helped their regiment commander escaped. Huo Zhenyu and his comrades listened attentively. They wished that they could watch the heroic and dangerous battle personally.

"Regiment Commander Ling is really an outstanding commander," Huo Zhenyu exclaimed. Huo Zhenyu was sent to a base in the central region. Unfortunately, the commanding officer of his base didn't have Regiment Commander Ling's capabilities. They didn't manage to last for long before their base was destroyed. He got separated from his mecha clan. But, he was lucky enough to manage to escape with his team.

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Huo Zhenyu had a sudden thought. He remembered Ling Lan.

He controlled his emotions and asked calmly, "Uncle Sun, what is the name of your regiment commander?"

"Very simple. He has only one word as his given name. He's called Ling Lan," Sun Yaofei replied.

"Ah!" A few people in Huo Zhenyu's team shouted in surprise.

Sun Yaofei narrowed his eyes. "You know our regiment commander?"

Huo Zhenyu gave a bitter smile. "Of course. He is our junior."

Sun Yaofei slapped his forehead. He laughed and said, "Oh right. I almost forgot that you all came from the First Men's Military Academy. Tell me, is our regiment commander a famous character in the military academy?" Sun Yaofei was very interested to know about this. If he managed to get some information, he would be able to gossip with his comrades after he goes back to his mecha clan.

Huo Zhenyu smiled forcefully, "As someone who was able to control all the factions of the military academy, I can't think of anyone more famous than him."

He didn't expect the other person to be so far ahead of him. They might never be able to fulfill the promised battle.

Chapter 919 It's Him?

As Qi Yaoyang's army pushed forward with each victory, more and more soldiers got dispatched from Base 013. Base 013 gradually turned very quiet and peaceful.

After Han Xuya went out for battle, Lady Mei was promoted to the position of the leader of the JMCs.

They didn't have many things to do so they would chat with each other in their free time in the afternoon. As they started talking, their topic would always stray towards the young and high-ranking officers in 250 Ace Mecha Clan.

"A few of the team leaders are young and capable. It'll be great if I can get to know some of them." The JMCs still had the desire to hook a wealthy husband but when they thought of the outstanding young officers, they felt their hearts fluttering.

"Even the head of the logisticians, Major Lin, the head of the medical department, Major Li, and the other deputies are impressive too. Why do you think there are so many capable young officers in 250 Ace Mecha Clan?"

"Look at who their regiment commander is. It's Regiment Commander Ling. He is the son of General Ling Xiao, the real elite of the elites. He is the only person that can make so many outstanding young officers bow down to him." One of the JMCs was obviously a fan of Ling Lan. Her eyes were filled with admiration as she complimented Ling Lan endlessly.

"When I heard the commanding officer telling us that he is the son of Ling Xiao and he would bring us home, I felt that I'm willing to accept any outcomes even if he didn't last until reinforcements came." Another JMC revealed her true thoughts.

The other JMCs turned silent when they heard this. At that moment, everyone had a similar thought, they would survive along with the base. That was their closest experience with death yet. Fortunately, Commander Ling managed to hold on until reinforcements came. The entire base managed to stand because of Commander Ling's sacrifice.

"I wonder if there are any repercussions for controlling a god-class mecha. I hope that he's fine," another JMC gave a forced smile as she said that. They thought about the dire condition of their commanding officer and didn't have the heart to chat anymore.

"Commander Ling will be fine," Lady Mei said firmly.

All the JMCs looked at Lady Mei. They hoped that Lady Mei had some good news for them. Lady Mei had a good relationship with Han Xuya and Han Xuya was the personal guard of Commander Ling, so she would definitely know the condition of Commander Ling.

"He is the regiment commander of 250 Ace Mecha Clan. He is the commanding officer of Base 013. He'll definitely be able to create miracles just like when he said he would bring us home." Lady Mei didn't believe that the man who created so many miracles would be defeated by these injuries.

The other JMCs nodded. They prayed and hoped that their commanding officer would heal soon. To all the soldiers of Base 013, Ling Lan's position in their hearts was even higher than General Ling Xiao's.

At this moment, two signals suddenly appeared on two of the control panels.

Two JMCs hurriedly answered the call. They heard unfamiliar voices requesting to enter the base. "Tang Ningyu from the Flying Dragon Special Forces would like to enter Base 013 for treatment."

"Mu Chaoran from the Flying Dragon Special Forces would like to enter Base 013 for treatment."

The JMCs didn't let them in easily just because they were from the Flying Dragon Special Forces. They thoroughly checked their identity before letting these two mecha operators in.

The medical department received the news for an emergency treatment so they hurriedly rushed to the mecha hold and waited for the two mecha operators.

Tang Ningyu and Mu Chaoran got down from their mechas. They took off their helmets and revealed their pale faces. Blood dripped down their mouths. The medics did the routine examination of their bodies and realized that they were suffering from some internal injuries. They quickly sent them to the healing pods in the treatment center.

In the middle of the night, when there was no one else in the treatment center, two healing pods suddenly opened.

Tang Ningyu and Mu Chaoran slowly sat up from their healing pods and looked at each other knowingly.

"It seems like you want to find an answer too," Tang Ningyu said.

"I'm not able to give up until I see Ling Lan." Because of various reasons, they were unable to see Ling Lan before they left the Base 013. Mu Chaoran looked at Tang Ningyu and gave an evil smile. "You have the same idea, right?". Tang Ningyu didn't reply to him. Mu Chaoran wasn't expecting Tang Ningyu to reply too. He understood Tang Ningyu just like how Tang Ningyu understood him. That was why they made similar decisions. They used their injuries as a reason to go back to Base 013 to find an answer.

The two of them disappeared from their treatment room and appeared in front of Ling Lan's treatment room in the next second.

Tang Ningyu took out an object that looked like a button and stuck it on the door. The object shone for a few seconds and the door opened itself. The two of them sneaked inside quickly before the door closed itself automatically. The second before it closed, Tang Ningyu hooked his finger and the shining object landed on his palm lightly, leaving no traces behind. It was as though the door had never been opened.

Li Lanfeng was in his accommodation and self-reflecting on his action earlier on the day. Suddenly, he sat up from his bed with killing intent beaming out of his eyes. In the next moment, he disappeared.

Tang Ningyu and Mu Chaoran entered Ling Lan's treatment room. There was only one healing pod in the treatment room. They were stunned when they saw the healing pod.

A round object laid on top of the healing pod. It was sleeping soundly. It didn't seem to notice the two unwelcome guests.

"Little White!" Mu Chaoran's gaze was complex. He didn't dare to move closer. He didn't know if he should be afraid of the truth.

Tang Ningyu clenched his fist tightly. His heart palpitated quickly and his blood rushed through his body.

'Is it him?'

Mu Chaoran took a deep breath. Then, he looked at Tang Ningyu in the eyes and nodded.

They pretended to be calm as they took their first step and arrived beside the healing pod.

Little White suddenly felt something dangerous approaching it. It opened its eyes instantly and saw two people that shouldn't be here.

"Squeak!" Little White screamed in shock. It was just having a little nap. How did these two people appear?

"Little White, is your master inside?" Mu Chaoran looked at Little White with anticipation. He hoped to sense something from Little White's expression.

Little White looked at Mu Chaoran with innocent eyes as though it didn't understand what he was saying. 'Damn it. There is no way I'm going to tell you anything about my master! My master will kill me if I do!

Chapter 920 It's Not Him!

Little White's innocent look caused Mu Chaoran to jeer at himself. In order to get the truth, he placed his hopes on a stupid pet that knew nothing. He must be out of his mind.

Mu Chaoran reached out his hand, wanting to carry Little White. A fair and slender hand suddenly appeared and picked Little White up before him.

Mu Chaoran and Tang Ningyu's expressions changed instantly. They leaped back and retreated three meters back.

The air around the fair hand started distorting and a whirlpool suddenly formed in the middle of the room. Slowly, a young soldier wearing the military uniform of the 23rd division walked out. It was Li Lanfeng

Li Lanfeng looked at Tang Ningyu and Mu Chaoran coldly, "I didn't expect the two of you to infiltrate the treatment room."

Tang Ningyu and Mu Shaoyu felt awkward with them being exposed so blatantly. They were frustrated that they got caught in their actions. But, they regained their composure quickly. Tang Ningyu replied Li Lanfeng calmly, "Major Li, long time no see. You look as good as ever."

"There's no need to be polite. What are you doing in the treatment room? If you don't give me a good answer, I'll report to General Ling Xiao and ask him to get an explanation from the commander of the Flying Dragon Special Forces." Li Lanfeng smiled coldly.

Tang Ningyu and Mu Chaoran were agitated. They forgot that Ling Lan was the son of Ling Xiao. If General Ling Xiao misunderstood their intentions, there would be huge trouble coming their way.

"We respected Lieutenant Colonel Ling for his courage so we wanted to take a look at him," Tang Ningyu said earnestly. He didn't want to create trouble for his commander. This was something they should settle themselves.

"Do I look stupid?" Li Lanfeng jeered. He didn't believe what Tang Ningyu said.

"It's the truth." Mu Chaoran was sincere. "However, that's not the only reason. We want to know if Lieutenant Colonel Ling is the person we are looking for."

"You met us on Planet Azure so you should know that we were on a mission at that time. However, in the end, we didn't complete the mission. Another person completed it instead." Mu Chaoran suddenly said the truth. Tang Ningyu was surprised.

Li Lanfeng petted Little White which was lying quietly on his arm.

Mu Chaoran gave a bitter smile. "Your appearance on Planet Azure was too much of a coincidence. Additionally, you picked up Little White. This caused us to suspect that Lieutenant Colonel Ling is the other person who was on the mission."

Tang Ningyu continued, "We want to know who we lost to so we wanted to take a look at Lieutenant Colonel Ling."

Li Lanfeng smiled. He scoffed, "What does it have to do with me?"

Tang Ningyu and Mu Chaoran were stunned. They didn't expect Li Lanfeng to reject them directly. It was wrong of them to sneak into Ling Lan's treatment room but they had no bad intentions. They just wanted an answer.

"However..." Li Lanfeng suddenly changed his words. "If I don't agree, you will be unwilling to give up too. This is not a good thing for our regiment commander, as it'll interfere with his treatment so I'll only

give you one chance. I hope that you will not interrupt our regiment commander after this. If not, I'll not show you any mercy."

"Thank you, Major Li." Tang Ningyu and Mu Chaoran were surprised and elated. They thought that they had no hope but Li Lanfeng was kind enough to let them meet Ling Lan.

Li Lanfeng took out a syringe from the disinfected shelf. Then, he took a bottle of agent and opened the healing pod. He injected the agent into the person lying in the healing pod.

Tang Ningyu and Mu Chaoran's heart pounded furiously. Would the person inside be who they expected? Would they be disappointed again?

The two of them felt that they waited for a long time. However, it was just around three minutes. Finally, they heard a weak cough.

"Lanfeng, what's the matter?" The voice of the person in the healing pod was hoarse and low. It wasn't the soft and gentle voice they had remembered.

'It's not him!' Tang Ningyu and Mu Chaoran's heart dropped. They felt as though a bucket of ice water was poured on them. Their entire body turned cold.

"Regiment commander, there are two people from the Flying Dragon Special Forces who wanted to meet you," Li Lanfeng whispered to the person in the healing pod. He looked at Mu Chaoran and Tang Ningyu before continuing, "They are Lieutenant Colonel Tang Ningyu and Lieutenant Colonel Mu Chaoran."

"The Flying Dragon Special Forces? Sure, help me up." The person in the healing pod seemed surprised. However, he didn't reject the request.

Li Lanfeng held Ling Lan up carefully. Mu Chaoran and Tang Ningyu saw a person wrapped entirely in bandages. Because of the action of sitting up, some of the bandages had turned red. However, the person still sat up straight. He had a cold and icy aura around him. His gaze was sharp and intense. Even when he was heavily injured, his force of presence still overpowered the three other people at the scene.

"This is a very powerful person! It cannot be their Little Brother Shaoyun."

There were tears in Mu Chaoran's eyes. In the end, he was still disappointed.

On the other hand, Tang Ningyu got a shock. He grabbed Mu Chaoran tightly and controlled his excitement. 'It's him! It's him!'

Mu Chaoran looked at Tang Ningyu in astonishment. Tang Ningyu's action dispersed some of his sadness.

"It's our benefactor! He is our benefactor!" Tang Ningyu said excitedly.

Mu Chaoran finally got it. Although Ling Lan was not the person they thought he was, they were right to think that he was the person who took the mission. He was also the ice element titled domain realm formidable warrior that saved them.

All of their queries were solved. Ling Lan was the person who took the mission. However, he didn't disguise himself as a scout. He used the chance when Li Lanfeng entered the school to sneak in and investigate the base. Along the way, he saved them. That circular creature should be Ling Lan's pet. That was why it appeared on Planet Azure as well as Planet Haijiao.

Everything was explained. Mu Shaoyu and Tang Ningyu finally got the answer they wanted but they were still sad. Their Little Brother Shaoyun was really dead. They couldn't fool themselves anymore.

Tang Ningyu and Mu Chaoran were the leaders of the two forces of the Flying Dragon Special Forces, so they were able to regain their composure quickly.

They saluted at Ling Lan. Tang Ningyu said with respect, "Thank you, Lieutenant Colonel Ling for saving us on Planet Azure."

Ling Lan was confused by their actions at the start. After thinking for a moment, she nodded, "It's you. There is no need to thank me."

Ling Lan didn't hide the fact that she was their benefactor. As for Pei Shaoyun, Ling Lan planned for him to remain dead. Her fate with Tang Ningyu and Mu Shaoyu would end here. When they meet again, they would be just strangers.