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#### Chapter 1491 Private Corpos Ambush - Part 1

"I do not really know what it is but I do feel there a small change to it even though there is currently no scientific reason to it." Click said as she touched the pins and clenched it tight.

"We are doing this just in case things go awry, we will still be able to locate each other. Other than that let's hope that our worries are baseless." Jin said as he packed himself the usual loadout and carried some extra ammunition. The vest became heavy and it made him missed the storage watch that he had with him.

Not to mention the protection that it provided with the living armour pieces that came with it. But if anything was a consolation, he still have the abilities bestowed by the Three Cardinals as well as the dungeon making ability.

The night before, he and the Tactical System secretly created a few instant dungeons in order to trap his enemies in case they were out there to trap him. (A reverse trap!) He honestly did not thought that far that those people that aided him so far would be devious enough to swindle him but he was more of creating it in the event of enemies.

Now that Yinn had reminded him how smooth sailing it gone, Jin was relieved that he had stayed up the night to prepare for such instances. But yet, he prayed internally that nothing bad would happen to them. To his surprise, Yinn and Tellie had searching their own version of internet to check whether Old Fammet does exist and with visual records from the night's brawl, his physical imagery checked out.

Nie's SUV came out from the Inn's parking lot and he stayed in his vehicle after honking once. Diaz and Click went up to pick up the duffel bags from the room while Tellie and Yinn brought the remaining extra equipment into the back of the SUV. The bellboy then took the remaining equipment back to Jin's suite.

"Wow, for a trip to the Mecha Smith, you are packing quite a lot of heat." Nie said and Jin merely smiled.

"You said yourself. The major corps still had an eye on him. It would not be a surprise they would come out of the woods and beat us up if those corporate spies decided that we are a possible a growing threat." Jin made up the only reasonable excuse for packing this much heat.

"Hmm, you are right to stay on the safe side. The people who asked him for emergency repairs were greeted the same way. That was why they needed the emergency repairs." Nie said the part of the story that had been omitted from his initial story.

Yet Jin continued to play cool as the duffel bags had been loaded into the SUV and all four War Maidens were still able to squeeze into the SUV. Considering that his SUV was a six seater vehicle, it did gave them more than enough space to have their weapons on their laps.

While the War Maidens were on alert mode, Jin was able to sit back and relax right beside the driver as they drove out of the town with no U-turns or anything. The moment they were out of the town outskirts and approached near the woods, Jin released his chi sensing once more so that they could be keep a look out of any possible ambushes.

The only thing he could not detect if there were literal traps such as land mines but he believed the old security guard would not be such a daredevil to perform such stuns to make him feel innocent.

But as they moved closer to the mountain and deeper into woods, Jin had started to pick up a few human signals.

"Be on guard." Nie suddenly said to Jin breaking the quiet but tense atmosphere that they had been riding.

"I had sent my security War Maidens ahead to take a look at the woods for me, as you had said the corps had always played dirty. They haven't been responding to me."

## "Why would you do that?"

"I met up with Old Fammet after our dinner. He said he finally saw someone who had the guts and drive in their eyes to be number one. I never really understood how he notices people, perhaps he had some analysing processor in his eyes but he told me something that he had never said for these two decades."

## "What he said?"

"I will fire up the furnace once more. Get your gear and meet me at the bottom of Mount Sunn. I need an assistant with me." Nie said as his expression got a bit teary. "There is no doubt that those private corps caught wind of your intention to meet him since they have informers in the police department. But I did not expect them to move this fast especially when there was no activity for so many years."

As Nie said that, he pressed on the pedal even harder, hoping to accelerate and moved towards the hill faster.

"As much as Jin wished to take his words with a grain of salt, there was no denying that what Nie said could be completely true. If Ming were to be alive again, there was no doubt that Jin might drop everything and assist his grandfather in whatever ways he can now that he knew the truth about him.

And as Nie pressed onward, the number of pings got even more drastic through the Tactical System that the War Maidens were ready to act if Jin gave them the signal. "We will be heading into Old Fammet's workshop, there are more than enough defensive systems to deter them all. I am pretty sure that they are still working if Old Fammet had suggested 'turning the furnace' on for me."

"Then I guess I should be glad that I have packed more than heat with me for this trip." But the moment Jin said it, a loud whirr from the top was heard and a missile flew towards them. With Jin's acute senses, he quickly took the wheel and caused Nie to do a quick left, giving them the flora and fauna as cover.

Although the missile's explosion was huge but with the trees as cover, all they had extreme bumpy exit but things don't look good at all as they had quite a distance to cover before reaching the bottom of Mount Sunn.

"What the fuck?! Did they bring a plane into a fight like this? How the hell are we going to survive this shit?" Diaz said as she lost sight of the plane but was able to hear it from afar with its roaring engines.

Nie quickly returned to the main road for a smoother drive even though he knows that riding in the forest would be a safer choice. Like what Diaz said there was no way they were able to beat a fighter jet head on.

"Tellie, pick up that 50 calibre sniper gun from the back and get the new ammunition clip from the box. Hurry it up!" Jin shouted and Nie was thinking how insane would he be to fight an aeroplane with a rifle. In fact, it was unheard of and Nie would believe that his War Maidens would not follow such a ridiculous order. Perhaps he was thinking of letting one of his War Maidens down and act as a distraction, so having a sniper rifle would be the best bet.

## But no.

Tellie picked up the Beretta rifle while Diaz lowered the window of his SUV. The assigned sniper of the squad immediately checked the rifle after loading a clip of explosive rounds, one of the items which Jin had asked the bellboy to buy in the morning.

She slowly put her head out of the window and subsequently her torso and the rifle along with it. Tellie could see that the plane was going for another round at them and this time round it flew slightly lower to make sure there was no chance for them to run away the moment the pilot sent the missile out.

In the meantime, Jin requested for a wired connection to Tellie and Yinn assisted by grabbing Jin's communication cord towards Tellie's neck where she had a port. As cyberpunk as it sounded, Jin found out the previous night that he does have a wire at his ear, allowing for wired connections to perform several sensitive tasks. The Tactical System joked about how he could now connect to the internet back in Jin's Earth if he was feeling that the wifi in his room was slow. (But it was never slow, the System ensured it)

Why Jin did this because he wanted to connect to Tellie's vision and see what she saw. Even though he was quite sure of his abilities to shoot, one could say that he rather have the hands of a machine to compensate for any possible shortcomings. It was especially crucial when they have a freaking fighter plane behind their tails. And even though he can wirelessly connect Tellie's vision to himself, there could still be a lag between the wireless transmission and that few milliseconds could be the difference between life and death.

In addition, by connecting with Tellie, he would also have full control of his War Maiden while using his current abilities on top of it. With Tellies' vision connected to Jin, his Inverse Eyes were also working overtime to magnify when the missile was about to drop.

This was because there were no visible missiles on the plane but Jin could see the moveable slot in the middle of the plane and he assumed that the missile was going to emerge from that particular slot. What Jin needed to do was to make sure he was able to fire when the missile appear.

"System, I am relying on you for the calculations!" Jin shouted within his mind and at the same time, he activated all the available code boosts that were possible for Tellie to take in. To his surprise, there were more options than before mainly because of her promotion to lance corporal as well as the installation of Package Ten.

"Accuracy up by 60 percent , Long Distance Barrel created and installed. Booster chip installed into Beretta Sniper Rifle. Strength is up by 40 percent. Steady Hands activated. Uneven Shooting Trait(Temporary) Activated. Package Ten Nitro Boost activated, full focus with double tap readied." The Tactical System continued to rumble more code activations out and Tellie turned from a War Maiden into a stationary rifle stand as extensions emerged from her body even though Diaz and Click were holding her steady.

In fact, those extensions poke into Diaz and Click, borrowing their processing power so that Tellie was able to make the shot when the time comes. Even while Yinn was sitting behind them, she too had decided to share the processing load by placing her wire into Click's port, allowing all of the Grey Bear Squad to be connected to Tellie.

Meanwhile, Nie tried to drive as straight as possible despite not knowing what was happening. His prediction that a War Maiden would drop off as a distraction was definitely wrong and they were attempting to shoot a fighter plane down.

As he sweats and pushed on the pedal, he was inadvertently increasing the difficulty for Tellie but there was no time to tell him to slow down, causing more variation in the equation of the squad's sniper processing.

The moment of truth came as the plane finally caught hold of the SUV in its targeting system and it clicked a button to open the slot beneath the belly of the plane so that it could release his missile out to the enemy and be done with the day.

Yet, that overconfidence and delay in shooting the missile allowed Tellie to have a better gauge of the distance since the bullet air time had to be recalculated the moment the missile door opened.

Thus, the moment Jin saw the very tip of the missile edging out of the plane's opened slot, Tellie was given the command via thought and her fingers pushed down the trigger. Bullet versus missile.

To a layman and in most situations, they would have assumed correctly. In fact, that would have been a very stupid question to ask.

Just not this time. Not for the Grey Bear Squad and Jin.

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### **Chapter 1493 Private Corpo Ambush - Final**

As the bullet slammed onto the tip of the missile, it caused the volatile chemical within the bullet point to ignite. The bullet's explosion didn't exactly caused the missile to explode but rather forced a jerk in the plane's movements since it only hit the guidance system when it met bullet tip to missile tip.

But this already made the plane move downwards because the pilot was unsure what was happening and forced him to auto react by pulling his stick downwards. This sudden movement complimented the second bullet from Tellie's double tapping going through the hole that the first bullet had made by exploding the missile guidance system causing a series of chain explosions. The second bullet penetrated further through the missile guidance system before hitting the portion where the missile's warhead had been placed, causing it to explode and destroying the internal portions of the plane, forcing it to go into flames.

There was no way the pilot would have envisioned how his life was going to end this way. In fact, he even had planned for things to do after this sortie which made life even more unpredictable for these freelance pilots.

But because the private corpo pilot was killed, all the points that he had accumulated were being transferred to Jin. A whooping half a million points! All the gold bars that he had were nothing compared to this dead pilot's wallet.

Nie could not believe that Jin and the Grey Bear Squad had somehow managed to destroy a fighter jet and possibly one of the most advanced versions, perhaps even a private corpo prototype that had been destroyed since he has never seen such a plane before. But instead of being elated by this minor victory in the grand scheme of events, Nie quickly concentrated on stepping on the acceleration, hoping that he could get to Old Fammet's base as soon as possible.

On the other hand, Tellie was busted from the overload of code boost. She was practically smoking from all her ventilation points. Diaz and Click tried to reduce her heat by holding onto her so as to transfer heat through conduction but it was useless until Jin turned around and assisted in reducing her temperature.

He utilised his Maqi and turned it into White Panda Ice Energy and attempted to regular her temperature as they pulled back into the car. The SUV's interior turned icy cold because of Jin's manipulation of the temperature and Nie initially thought it was him who turned the thermostat down to the lowest to have such an effect until it became too cold to be true.

"How the hell is this place so cold? Your War Maidens has the ability to control ice cold winds?" Nie shouted as he tried to look behind despite the need to stay focused on the front.

"Do not worry about that, worry about what is in front!" Diaz said as she pointed forward and only then Nie realised that there was a roadblock right in front of him.

"Fuck fuck fuck!" Nie knows that stopping now would do nothing but cause the current situation to deteriorate and the soldiers in front were already shooting at them. So, all he could do was step on the peddle hoping not to die in the process.

"Yinn, Diaz!" Jin shouted and the two War Maidens immediately had their weapons out of the SUV's windows and started retaliating back against the soldiers at the roadblock. Jin had also commanded the Tactical System to use code boost on his War Maidens, but only using the accuracy boost codes. (Meanwhile, the SUV continued to stay cold despite the windows were opened making it very sure to Nie that one of their War Maidens probably have a temperature modulating module that allowed them to blast cold air while Jin configured his overheated War Maiden.)

But that cold air was good for the head as it made him calm enough to charge and topple the roadblock allowing him to move the very last stretch where he could see Old Fammet's workshop gates coming into sight.

Yinn and Diaz continued to provide cover fire until they heard sounds of artillery booming its way from Old Fammet's hideout.

"You rascals better hurry up! My gates are rusty!" Old Fammet shouted through the speakers and the bombardments happened, causing the private corpo Mechanoids to be blasted out of existence.

Nie changed his gear to the max and pressed the peddle even harder as if it would make any difference as they continued to push through until they passed the rusty old gateway and Old Fammet slammed the emergency lock button to cause those gates to abruptly right in front of those private corpo soldiers.

Cement walls were also raised giving birth to a second layer of defence before the turrets emerge on the top of them, making the workshop the last bastion of safe haven for Old Fammet and the Grey Bear Squad.

"Are you guys alright?" Old Fammet asked as Jin came out of the SUV and assisted the rest to bring Tellie out of the car.

"My War Maiden a little busted from an overdrive of codes. We tried to cool it down but I suspect there may be something else that is interfering with her rebooting." Jin said in a concerned manner which made Old Fammet smile with joy that there were still commanders who cared for the Mechanoids as if they were a part of their team. Not just some disposable robot.

"Bring her into my workshop. I think I know what the problem is. NIE BRING ME MY DRINK AND GET TO WORK!"

"YES BOSS!" Nie shouted as he ran to open the workshop doors. As Diaz carried Tellie into the workshop.

"Yinn, Get to the top with the sniper rifle and survey the perimeter. Bring more ammunition with you. Click, check if those turrets or artillery guns needed more manning or if they need more ammunition, bring it to them. Else, direct their firepower to the targets you see on the tactical system." Jin said as he went to the SUV to pick up his weapons while boosting the chi aura.

"Yes, Captain!" The two War Maidens said as they followed him to get what they needed for the fight.

### **Chapter 1494 Slaughter**

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Yet, he still hoisted a pistol and the P90 Submachine at the back of his waist for an emergency. Yinn had no idea why Jin preferred to engage enemies for close combat fights but she had to stop doubting his ability to do anything.

"I will stop them, please watch for friendly fire Click," Jin said as he picked up the two swords like how he did for Bam and Boo and rushed forward.

"Isn't the gate closed?" Click asked as she equipped herself with the standard M4A1 rifle with a grenade launcher extension.

"He probably will take a ladder or something to go over it."

"Did Old Fammet even register us as friendlies?" Click asked thinking that the defensive systems would probably shoot anything that move given the situation but all Yinn gave was a stare. A short but intense stare signals her to get things done.

"That... I will quickly register him into the system details!" Click acknowledged the silent order as both of them saw that Jin did not take any ladder and defined normal human capabilities by doing a double jump using the nearby wall as support to cross over the barricade. Spikes suddenly emerge from the tip of the wall but Jin casually somersaulted over preventing him from being stabbed to death by something so trivial.

Both of the War Maidens now identified that the defensive systems had indeed did not register Jin as a friend which made Click frantically run to a nearby control system to check its IFF (Identification, Friend or Foe)

"And here I thought only War Maidens would have such a capability to do such a stunt. And even if War Maidens can do that, only the customised ones are able to perform such acrobatic feats." Yinn said as she climbed on a ledge so that she would save time getting up to the top of the workshop's tower to reach a ladder that was right above the ledge. (Maybe she was just influenced by Jin's manoeuvres and tried to see if she could do the same as well.)

"IFF for Captain Jin had been registered!" Click said but so far she had yet to hear any defensive turrets going off which meant that they did not detect Jin's presence. But judging from the tactical system, Jin should have been within the range of the defensive turrets.

What Click did not know was that Jin had utilised Green Panda Wind Energy and Yellow Panda Lightning Energy to dash slightly faster than the speed of sound to get out of range. Click thought that the turrets might be malfunctioning to Jin's awfully good luck and quickly double checked to ensure that its systems were working before the enemies reached close enough.

"Weird, all systems are green and a quick analysis showed that it's working." Click said to herself as she went to check if there were any other Mechanoids around since there should be some if they were operating the artilleries.please visit  $p\alpha n?\alpha$ -:)???1.co)m

As she ran to the artillery range, she realised that there were no Mechanoids around and instead automated robots with the parts of War Maidens to ensure the smooth transition of reloading and firing of those artillery guns.

The same goes for the mortars as well which caused her to be surprised how Old Fammet managed to get these assistant part-robot, part-mechanoids to run the defence systems. "He might not have the money but he does have the brains." Click thought to herself as her image of Old Fammet went shot up to the roof.

In the meantime, Jin had already located the incoming private corpo troopers and started aiming at their War Maidens. With a familiar set of weapons in hand, Jin was giddy to see whether he can increase his

combat potential with the current limitation of his grade. How much can he push the ceiling of grade 2 with his powers so that it could be a reference for the System as data.

After all, it was uncommon for cultivators to regress back to grade 1 and this gave Jin the opportunity to properly hone his cultivation now that he has the know hows and experience.

His close combat fights were also useful in forest settings since his weapon attacks were silent, allowing him to ambush them after what they had done to him and his squad. And if the enemy group were too near, a quick radio to Click was more than enough to decimate and break up the group by terrorising them with an artillery shot or two.

The War Maidens under Private Corpo might prove to be stronger than the rebels that Jin fought but they never expected a Commander to enter into the fray all by himself and even used close combat weapons to fight with them.

In fact, they were surprised that they could not get a hit on him despite all the accurate shots. But the problem was that the more accurate they were, the easier Inverse Eyes were able to see it and Jin was capable of countering them by deflecting their bullets with his sword qi or dodging them.

It was to the point where the Private Corpo War Maidens thought that Jin was not a commander but a War Steward like Kurt and Lark. But too bad for them, the more they attempt to calculate and fight, the less likely they will survive the fight against Jin.

When Yinn reached the top of the Workshop tower, she could only perform overwatch on the straight road that they just came from and reported to Click that her hit was not off the mark since everything else was covered by the forest and there was no further activity nearer to the workshop since every single Private Corpo War Maiden were rushing to aid their fellow comrades to defeat Jin.

"He is a beast."

But as much as they wished to relax, the worst had yet to come.

### Chapter 1495 Bigger Guns

As Jin cut off the head of the last War Maiden within his vicinity he realised that more of them were coming towards him and wondered where the hell did all these Mechanoids even emerge from.

The Private Corpo commanders were losing it when they found out that they were being wiped out by a commander who was supposed to be just a Captain. They were expecting tactical manoeuvres with a varied bunch of Mechanoids but instead, Jin fought them off with just swords.

However, can a sword fight against a vehicle?

Especially one that was armoured fully with a barrel right in the middle of it all.

Yes, if War Maidens cannot defeat the Grey Bear Squad's Commander who had decided to seek help from Old Fammet, then what they can do was to overwhelm him with brute force. Obviously, they were not around within the vicinity but were transported via a few helicarriers.

If they were further from Old Fammet's workshop, they would have brazenly lowered the tanks close to Jin and showed him the power of explosive anti personnel firepower. However, the helicarriers pilots knew that Old Fammet had surface to air missiles and they had to be careful transporting the tanks close to the area.

This compounded the fact that Jin and his Grey Bear Squad had managed to down one modern fighter jet plane with just a bullet scares the helicarrier pilots as well since they were not expecting such a formidable enemy looking for Old Fammet. This made the commanders and the higher ups worried about what the Grey Bear Squad could do if they joined hands with him.

So as they placed the tanks down from a distance, Jin could already know what was going to happen if he left them alone. Surely, bringing a tank to kill a man was overkill, but this was what private corpos are all about. Using money to crush someone until they are dead.

What they failed to understand or would never understand was that Jin was unique. Do they think that they could run away especially bringing tanks into the picture? No way. If Jin could enhance his War Maidens to bring down a fighter plane with just a sniper bullet, what can else can they do if they were connected to a surface to air missile guidance system?

"I have my sights on the helicarriers. Providing laser guidance." Yinn said as she finally had something to do other than providing overwatch on the road.

"Captain, I had manually taken over one of the SAM sites. Ready for your command." Click voiced over.

"Captain, I heard that you are taking on tanks now, can you spare some War Maidens for me?" Diaz finally finished her escort and was running out of the workshop with a rocket booster pack strapped behind her. While she could not jump as deftly as Jin, her legs should still be able to do a decent high jump and the rocket boosters would no doubt give her sufficient height to pass through the spike trap.

"As long as you can pass that spike hurdle, don't get yourself killed. I am not going to rebuild you." Jin said as he knelt down to dodge a tank shot that was aiming right at it. The tree several metres away from him got a huge hole with splinters as well as a dead War Maiden that was caught by the attack.

"They are using grape shots. Anti personnel shells." The Tactical System warned and Jin acknowledged the risk.

"I will get it done and over." His Inverse eyes lit up and he charged his sword up with Maqi. As much as he wished to slice the tank into half, he believed that the sword he had would not be able to withstand such an attack and will definitely break either half way or once Jin had finished slicing the tank into two. Still, that meant that he would have two shots to do so before relying on the conventional slaying of tanks by throwing grenades into the interior.

"If I am that confident to throw my grenade into the tank's barrel. Hahaha!" Jin said as he started moving and saw that Diaz had already reached to contact the enemy War Maidens at the east. She was not giving those War Maidens any mercy as she followed Jin's aggressiveness and ran as close as she

could to shoot the War Maiden's head off with her shotgun. As if one was not enough, she had brought another shotgun to increase her versatility in killing the War Maidens. (Those rocket boosters were helping a lot as well.)

But the main show was Click and Yinn as Jin on the sidelines activated their code boosts to increase processing capabilities so that they could manually override the SAMs out of their limited range and guide them to the slower moving helicarriers.

The first SAM flew off, causing the helicarrier pilots to panic initially as there were no missile lock signals since the Grey Bear War Maidens were manually guiding the SAM and their flares were not working as intended as they tried to evade it. A huge explosion was heard over Jin's head marking the first helicarrier kill they could get.

While they were merely support units, Jin felt that destroying them would no doubt hurt Private Corpo's wallet and their budget. Surely they could afford these few helicarriers that were capable to bring tanks into battle with ease but why avail them of such options again when Jin could destroy them.

These caused the helicarriers to scamper away but with one successful kill, Yinn and Click continued to hunt those down and even requested Jin to enhance the SAMs which they know it was possible with the uniqueness of his code boosts.

But instead of bothering the Captain, the Tactical System took charge of those requests and caused the missiles that Click was prepping to have an additional secondary booster at the side, allowing for better manoeuvrability and range.

"Heh heh! Goodbye Helicarriers! Hello Killstreak!" Click incidentally licked her lips as she was given the go ahead by Yinn to fire the subsequent missile.

It was definitely a brilliant field day for the Grey Bear Engineer.

### **Chapter 1496 No More Tanks**

"Sound like it's lots of fun outside." Old Fammet said as he booted up his C-ARM scanner, basically, an X-Ray machine that had its x ray generator at the top and detector at the bottom all in one C shape.

"I would not exactly say its fun, but I cannot believe that you seem to be preparing for such a day," Nie said as he booted up the diagnostics along with the X Ray machine. He then called Old Fammet to stand behind the lead shields so he do not get radiated by the scanner.

"Arrgh you are as old as I am, what does that bit of radiation harm you for?" Old Fammet grumbled as he was being dragged by Nie to the lead shield and they took the imagery scan of Tellie.

And a few more x ray scans of the torso and the legs were more than enough to see the entire Mechanoid's full picture. Nie tried his best to remember how to operate the systems within his master's workshop since they were rather old compared to the current technology they all had been using. However, he cannot blame him when he has been trying his best to maintain everything with scrap parts. "Heh, it's been a while since I see such a fucked up Mechanoid. Who is this guy?" Old Fammet asked and Nie shrugged his shoulders.

"I assumed he is some noble since he had been shoving gold bars in our faces. I thought you acknowledged him because he had decided to compete with you and have the money to back it up as well."

"No, I will not acknowledge him because of such petty reasons. Of all the commanders I had disturbed at the Shopping Street, he was the only one willing to go into battle in recent years and he is tough." Old Fammet said as he brought out his tools as if he was a surgeon going into a field operation.

"I thought you are the toughest of them all," Nie said as he combined all the X Ray images and Old Fammet's workshop system showing all the possible problems that had occurred for Tellie.

"I am and will always be in Town Gorgo. But that guy was skilled enough to use my strength against me. Yet, he was hiding his true strength as you can see via my security cameras." Old Fammet said as he lit up the monitor consoles with the forest's CCTVs.

Nie was astonished by the amount of decapitated Mechanoids in the field and it was obvious they were fresh ones considering the armament they were carrying as well as the cleanliness of those Mechanoids.

Then, Old Fammet switched the camera once more and it happened to be live capturing Jin running towards a tank. It was not uncommon for a Mechanoid to have such guts since they could be commanded to perform such an endeavour. However, for a commander to do that so willingly? It takes more than guts. It takes facing death in the face without fear.

"Then should we quickly fix his Mechanoid so that she could aid him in battle?"

"Heh, why should we?" Old Fammet said. Besides, the Mechanoid was merely suffering from overheating and the scans showed that there were no parts that needed any replacement." Old Fammet said.

"Then why are we doing diagnostics to his Mechanoid?"

"Because I am interested in his link to the Royal Family or the nobles ." Old Fammet replied as he went to the console and pointed at one particular chip which was obviously imprinted with the number R10 on it.

"Royal Package Ten?! Isn't that one of your past creations?" Nie understood that majors and above were able to receive Package Ten as part of their enhancement to their Mechanoids but for Jin to receive the Royal Package Ten was something Rocky did not inform. (And perhaps, Rocky had no idea that old Package Ten rotting within Archduke's mobile inventory was a relic created by Old Fammet himself before he went bankrupt.)

"Whether it is through coincidences or not, the fact that he had access to a Package Ten is still something worth noting." Old Fammet said

"Is that why you made such an uproar that day, compared to drinking yourself drunk like every other day? How did you even know that they were installed with the Royal Package?"

"If I cannot identify what I made, should I still be a Mecha Smith?!" Old Fammet shouted before he calmed down and told him to look at the frequency detector. "You might not be able to hear it but you should able to identify that the frequency of his Mechanoid is different from the average.

"You can hear the frequency it emits?"

"Somewhat? Like I said, how can I not know if it's my own creation."

"But still! Hearing frequency isn't what a normal human would be able to do!" Nie complained and Old Fammet grunted, showing him his ears had been built with a frequency detector.

"Holy shit... I have been your apprentice for a few years previously and I never know such stuff."

"You should be thankful, I still acknowledge you as my apprentice till now."

"It's because there is no one left at Town Gorgo to even take care of you." Nie rolled his eyes and Old Fammet sighed while murmuring a rather soft thanks. Nie, even though he is of old age, could still him and kept quiet while working on the systems until they heard a loud boom from the CCTVs and they turned their heads to see what was going on.

However, by the time their eyes caught the scene, a modern battlefield tank was burning right in front of them. Old Fammet as eager as his apprentice quickly tried to rewind on another monitor the very same clip and could not believe their eyes.

Jin basically used a sword to slice the modern tank into two before casually activating a grenade and throwing it into the crevice as if it was just another day in the field for him.

"Unbelievable"

# Chapter 1497 Cleaning Up -Part 1

"What in the world did that Jin do?" Nie was flabbergasted by the Grey Bear's Squad actions as Old Fammet tried to recalibrate his monitors to the screen where they could see a tank in action.

The imagery was a little blurry because of its distance but they could see Jin was actively moving towards the tank without any fear once more. This time around he jumped upwards using the trees as pillars to support his leaps while the machine gunner was trying to catch him in his line of sight. Despite it being a Mechanoid, she was unable to quickly locate and adjust the machine gun's spray range onto Jin.

### And then, it happened.

A visual slash of energy cut the tank and the Mechanoid machine gunner outside the tank into two. Secondary explosions from the intense cut forced the tank to explode once more even without a grenade at hand. "Ha...haha..." The two Mecha Smiths could hear the abated laughing from the diagnostic table and it seemed like Tellie had woken up. "Apologies Captain. Looks like I took a nap without your permission." Tellie said out verbally even though she was telling it to everyone within the team.

This was because there were already cables attached to Tellie for diagnostic purposes and one of them was wired to her as audio.

"Do not worry. We are taking care of it. Just rest easy on the Mecha Smith's hands" Jin's audio was being played out loud as well.

"Yea, Just take a snooze, Tellie. You did great sniping a fighter jet off the sky. Perhaps, you are the first one in the world who could ever do that." Diaz said but her background was nosier with shots flying around her and she blasted back at the War Maidens that were terrorising the forest near Mount Sunn.

"Yinn is enjoying your role though." Click giggled through the intercom. "Perhaps she is jealous that you are able to take down a fighter jet this easily. She is venting her anger by aiming for all the helicarriers that were returning."

"Helicarriers?" Tellie was confused as she sat up and saw familiar faces and subsequently the bed she was lying on.

"Yeah. They brought tanks in and even though we have Javelins, we are not using them yet. You remember Jin was like buy a Javelin in case of a tank fight and we were like no wayyyyyy that was going to happen." Click exaggerated.

"And Diaz was like let's just buy one because we all know she just likes big guns although Yinn was afraid that the money Jin gave the bellboy to even ask him to order a Javelin was too much. Then here we are fighting against private corpo tanks. I guess."

"Concentrate Click. We have one more helicarrier. This is the last one, it will be tough." Yinn voiced over the intercom and Click turned her explanation mode into serious mode. "Tellie, since you are up. Take charge of the guiding system, I will do the necessary processing for manoeuvring. Sending you wirelessly."

"Roger," Tellie said and she fell to the table once more but her eyes were blank as the diagnostic console started to rack up a series of numbers which made Old Fammet light up with joy.

"Is the latest modern technology?" Old Fammet asked Nie and even though his apprentice was no longer in the scene, he was very sure that Mechanoids were able to do this at all.

"It is utilising my Royal Package Ten processing programming in a different way than I would expect it to be!" Old Fammet was on fire to see such a process going through live and felt that he finally hit the jackpot on the commander.

No matter what happens, he was going to get to the bottom of the truth of this and find out what made them tick this way. There got to be something that he was missing out on because he has never seen such seamless use of parallel processing among the Mechanoids before. Perhaps, the answer to his wish in getting the ultimate War Maiden might lie with Jin. (Of course, that is very far fetched but right now, this was the vibe he was getting especially when he had never felt hope for the longest time ever.)

"Last tank for me as well," Jin said as he dash through the forests and remembered he still have a dagger with him. It was not the best use of Maqi since the blade was short and he needed more Maqi to condense the blade edge to make it longer and sharper but it would have to do because there was no way he was going to use the Cardinal's abilities on such easy targets.

And while Old Fammet was amazed by Tellie's wireless parallel processing with the other Grey Bears, Nie was taken back by the imagery he is seeing through the workshop cameras. He knew how old his master's workshop defences were and that missile even if he did not know the specs, could be seen as an item of the past.

There was no way for it to fly so far before it lost all its fuel trying to catch the helicarrier which was already accelerating compared to the other two which were ascending after dropping the tanks for battle.

But what he did not know was that it was why Yinn needed Tellie's help with the guiding. With that portion covered, Yinn was able to remote control the missile's onboard computer systems, maximising the optimisation of its output so that it could move at maximum speed while using the least required fuel.

Most missiles were never that optimised since their purpose was to follow the target and explode. Now that it had been controlled by not just two but three Mechanoids simultaneously, it was a miracle that they were in sync with each other to down the final helicarrier which blew Old Fammet's mind as well. (Nie was already gone past that stage)

"All clear," Jin said as the last tank had bit the dust though he didn't exactly destroy it but killed the Mecahnoids gunner and forcibly open the hatch to throw a flashbang before putting his hand in to gun all the Mechanoids down. (After all, he had chi sensing and knew where all of them were sitting.)

He did get a scratch and was shot twice by stray bullets but it was nothing his body could not handle. As for the others...

### **Chapter 1498 Cleaning Up - Final**

"All clear too," Diaz said as she reloaded her shotgun one last time before booming it off on the dying Mechanoid.

"All clear as well," Yinn reported and that was when Old Fammet hacked into their intercoms via Tellie.

"Yeap, yeap. The radar is all clear too. No more baddies around. Diaz must be satisfied with the-" Click was about to compliment her teammate until a loud shrieking noise interrupted their sweet victory.

"All clear my ass! Get all those dead Mechanoids in as soon as possible. They will be valuable for the creation of your new War Maidens." Old Fammet shouted into his microphone.

"Also, Commander Jin is it? Bring that tank back into the workshop. We see if we can use it or not." Old Fammet added and Jin smirked.

"That's my intention the whole entire time. Why else would I risk myself getting so close to it? Without any reason?" Jin said as he went to the front and started pulling the tank by himself.

"You know you can drive this thing, right?" Diaz remarked which Jin ignored. "Oh, you are just showing off, aren't you?"

"Far off the mark. I take this as supplementary training." Jin spoke to Diaz in a sarcastic tone which made her roll her eyes before climbing and going into the tank to operate.

"Too bad for the Diamondz, I am taking this tank for myself." Diaz was delighted as she pushed the dead Mechanoid away (while ensuring he is really dead.) and resume the tank systems so that she could have control of it. (After all, she would not dare to reboot it herself and found herself locked out of it.)

As she started to have a hang of the controls, Jin immediately hopped on and started telling her to move closer to the Mechanoid corpses where he could pile all of them up on the tank and move back to the workshop.

Yinn and Click also assisted by taking Old Fammet's ride, a truck with relatively big cargo space out of the workshop the moment Old Fammet released the security lockdown. There, they started to bring all the dead Mechanoids into his Workshop as Nie started to identify and process each of the possible working parts along with Tellie.

On the other hand, the moment Jin had brought the pile of corpses along with the tank to the workshop, Old Fammet once again ordered them to see if there were any salvageable parts from the fighter plane that crashed and the rest of the helicarriers.

"At the peak of noon?" Jin asked as he pointed as his stomach.

"Do you want your Mechanoid or not?" Old Fammet asked

"What does that have to do with helicarrier parts or even fighter plane parts? Do you wish to make my War Maiden into some kind of transformer?" Jin questioned and when Old Fammet queried what was that, thinking it had to do with stepping up or stepping down electricity until Jin told them that it was basically something that transform. He even gave the answer using a truck turning into a robot as an example and returning back into one whenever the needed to.

"No, it is not that, it's possible that the helicarriers might have additional Mechanoids in their storage compartment and for the fighter jet, it's more for personal entertainment. I just want its engines to research. Part of it is fine as well."

"You just want a piece of it as a trophy." Nie said especially when Tellie managed to destroy one which could possibly be one of the best achievements a War Maiden could ever achieve and that rendered Old Fammet speechless for a moment or two before grumbling to Nie to work faster.

"Lol, looks like a jackpot. I see whether I could get it or not." Jin said as he hollered Diaz.

"What? You want me to drag those scrap junk back?" Diaz complained and Jin pulled his rank just this one.

"It's an order, besides, I am helping you aren't I right? But get your shotgun in case those Mechanoids within the compartments can be violent." Jin said as he too went to Nie's SUV and took a shotgun as well.

"I thought you preferred your P90 submachine gun. It's rare for you to take a shotgun." Diaz said as she saw him using the same model as him. A pump action tactical from Remington.

"It's better to have a shotgun at such close quarters... I think? Besides, I will need the firepower since you will never know if they are hiding behind the door waiting to pounce on us.

"Lol, that will never happen. They need to be activated." Diaz said as she was about to waltz out the area.

"Stop jinxing stuff, Diaz!" Tellie shouted from afar and at that point, Jin already started to bring more ammunition with him.

"You believed her?" Diaz looked at Jin's frantic collection of ammunition.

"Why not? It's better to be safe than sorry. Also, tell Yinn to drive the truck to us once we gather the remaining parts." Jin said he now took another shotgun and wrapped it behind his back. Diaz sighed and acknowledged Jin's orders.

"They are a good team, aren't they?" Nie whispered to Old Fammet.

"Yes, it's rare to see the Mechanoids being treated not just as a team but as a family." Old Fammet nodded his head and thought to himself until Jin looked back at him.

"I want a Medic War Maiden as well as a close combat capable War Maiden. Tellie, give him the data on your Medic War Maiden that had fallen. As for the close combat one, wait till I return before we decide on that." Jin said as he waved and ran out into the forest to get the Mechanoid parts.

"This guy, not appreciating me and even commanding me around? Who does he think he is?" Old Fammet smiled as he grumbled.

"You did say you show them a real War Maiden. You better prove yourself right or else I am not paying a single cent!" Jin heard what Old Fammet said despite their distance apart.

"That rascal."

# **Chapter 1499 Scavenging The Helicarrier Storages**

To their surprise, there was nothing suspicious about the storage area within the helicarrier. In fact, they were stunned that the storage area was not impacted by the crash and Diaz who did a quick analysis noticed the thing that got destroyed by the surface to air missile was its capability to fly.

Still, even though the rotors were destroyed cleaned by the missile and the Mechanoid pilots could not land the crashing helicarrier well especially near a forested area so they got killed in the process. Thus, it was a miracle that the storage area was still intact. Diaz reported that since all of the Mechanoids within the storage had yet to be activated, it was possible to desynchronise them so that they would never be in contact with the private corpo's command centre.

The Tactical System also knew that was an option available and had asked Jin to individually connect himself to those War Maidens so they could be deactivated safely and not pose a threat even when they returned to the workshop. Not to mention, they could also be turned on and follow basic commands, allowing them to walk with Diaz back to the workshop as Jin went to the next helicarrier to check.

The same thing happened again and the tactical System theorised that the pilot who was landing the helicarrier was prioritising the safety of the storage in case the commanders at their command centre would activate those as backups.

However, it seems like the commanders in their individual corpo centres had decided to give up on such an endeavour and abandoned the helicarriers as a written off asset in their books. Considering how much money they have, it was not a surprise that such a thing happened as Jin happily performed the very same thing to desynchronise the War Maidens while the System explained its theories.

Yinn and Click managed to come by on time and Click had been ordered by Yinn to escort the Mechanoids back to the workshop again while the former followed her captain to the very last helicarrier. Jin honestly hoped that the same thing would happen for the third helicarrier's storage but he was not keeping his hopes that high at all.

But to their surprise when they opened the storage area, it was not a Mechanoid that they found. Instead, inside were Mecha Armours. The concept was something similar to those Fortress Golems that his Orcs and goblins used to make but of a slicker design. In fact, it reminded him of Metal Man since according to Yinn, they were used to take in a Mechanoid and improve her combat capabilities.

And she was right. There were missile launchers attached to it, a gatling gun and many mini guns with various bullet calibres attached to them. There was even one Mecha Armour that has a railgun attached to it! And as the same suggested, the armour was undoubtedly thick, probably as thick as the tanks he had gone up against. (Obviously, it was not a threat to Jin at the moment since he had tricks up his sleeve, but if they were to pit War Maidens against War Maidens, definitely the ones riding the Mecha Armour would be the winners.)

"There are six here. Equal to the number of War Maidens we would potentially have." Yinn was delighted that everyone can have one.

"Then what about me? Can't I use it?" Jin felt sad that he could not be a part of it.

"Ehh... If you want to be pierced by the Mecha Armour, be my guest. And let me warn you, its not just one connection, it's several connections." Yinn smiled while Jin sighed.

"I miss my System Rider." Jin sent his thoughts to the Tactical System but there was no way the System would send such a delicate piece of item or its data into the Synthesis World without knowing that it could be copied. Although the parts were from various multiverses and worlds, there was no saying how the Synthesis World could replicate it especially when they are in this virtual 'space'.

In any case, Jin told Yinn to slowly bring those items back to the workshop while he will look for the final request that Old Fammet asked of him. And it was the plane wreck that Tellie destroyed.

Once closer to the crash site, aside from a piece of metal as a souvenir, Old Fammet requested that Jin find the black box since it contained information and communication details. When pressed for answers and as to why not to take the Helicarriers' black boxes as well, Old Fammet brought up a valid reason.

"The fighter planes are mainly flown by humans instead of War Maidens though they do have them as their Radar Incept Officers (RIO). Their communications would provide information as to where their command centre would be and this might give me...or you if the commander would do me a favour to whack them." Old Fammet said and Jin shook his head.

"I may make an enemy out of them today but not necessarily I will be their enemy forever. Besides, that did not mean I will take you for granted. Depending on your work, I might even be able to employ you under the Archduke's name, providing you protection if necessary." Jin said through their intercoms.

"That might be a tad hard as Master have some beef with the Royal Family." Nie interrupted and Jin did not realise that.

"So, you are related to the Archduke?"

"Not exactly, but you could say, he is in my debt."

"How is that so?"

"Oh, he saved his son. I heard it from Stella." Nie added between the conversation between Jin and Old Fammet.

"Stella is resourceful..." Jin noted to himself.

"Ah I see, okay if he is under your thumb, then perhaps we might be able to work something out instead." Old Fammet replied as Jin managed to locate and uncover the black box before heading back. This time, the Mecha Smith was delighted to inform him that he does have enough parts for the creation of Jin's new War Maidens.

# Chapter 1500 The All New Grey Bear Squad -Part 2

As much as Jin did not want to jinx it, he felt it was going too smoothly and the private corpos would definitely not allow Old Fammet to do whatever he likes especially after they took such a huge loss.

If he was in their shoes, he too would commence a counterattack especially when their group had taken down vehicles that were worth millions of points. They would be too dangerous to allow to communicate with Old Fammet and come out alive.

So, even as Jin knew that this could possibly be the calm before the storm, he would be taking it in stride. There was no other better way to do this than to create his two new teammates that the Grey Bear Squad was missing out on. Surely, he could do a company sized unit or maybe a platoon with all the extra manpower that he had obtained from stealing from those private corpos but all his mind was filled with is the creation of someone knows.

As Jin returned to the workshop, he saw that Mount Sunn was producing smoke from its peak and Jin assumed that this entire mountain was basically his workshop. Nie was working double time as he was running around to make sure that all the systems were working as Old Fammet were giving out (Or more like shouting) instructions to not just Nie but to his Grey Bears as well.

With all the diagnostic systems pinging which Mechanoid part to scrap from the pile of corpses, the Grey Bear War Maidens were frenzy with their movements picking them out with whatever knowledge they had. (Thankfully, the tactical System was there to assist them as well and give them proper instructions rather than the ones Old Fammet gave.)

Jin was also called out as Old Fammet beckoned him to his main system console area. "I managed to retrieve all the Medic War Maiden information. Based on the logs, it seems like there was some big argument between you and her. Do you wish for me to wipe its memory? It will be easier for you to control if I do that."

"No, keep it as it is. The old teammates will explain whatever information they need to her. I am more concerned with the close combat War Maiden that I wanted you to create."

"Why? What other customisation do you need?" Old Fammet felt a bit pissed since he had already thought of the best parts and design for her already when he fired the forge up.

"Please follow these specifications instead," Jin said as he took his wire and plugged it into the console area, allowing the Tactical System to produce the War Maiden specifications.

"Huh? That is all old technology that you are asking me to make. The only good thing about this old design is the customisation portion. It technically allows growth and has compatibility with various parts very easily." Old Fammet pondered.

"But I will admit that older designs have sturdier frames and significantly better core structures. Especially if you wish to increase the number of cores or change the processing cores, it is no doubt the best foundation a War Maiden has..." Old Fammet then looked towards Jin with a curious look.

"Why would you want a Mechanoid with a high number of core processors on a close combat War Maiden? It does not make sense when scientists and researchers had already proven that multiple core synchronisation is not just an impossibility but a huge waste of resources. I understand if you want a tactician that does parallel processing but this is a close combat unit where sensory devices are a priority compared to those cores."

"Are you able to create it or not?" Jin did not budge from his request.

"The only improvement I will make is that the mechanoid frames would be made with the latest fusion metal material but because of its design, I would need blood. Lots of blood because, unlike the modern War Maidens that used biosynthetic fibres." Before Old Fammet said that there was no way they could have such 'blood' around, Jin folded his sleeves up further and showed him his arm.

"Even from a human, it would not be enough." Old Fammet furrowed his eyebrows.

"It's alright, try me. I am stronger and more resilient than any human you have met." Jin was confident in his analysis especially after he learnt that the gunshots that he had previously were already healed. Even though he technically does not have his physical body, apparently the traits of having a set of vampiric bones implanted on him as well as the disgustingly painful regrowth charm was in him, they were still working as intended. "Are you crazy?!" Old Fammet said as it would defy logic for him to provide blood continuously to create the close combat mechanoid which needed blood fused fibres to work so that it could regrow with nanomachines which the current models had abandoned its uses.

Why waste time growing wounded parts when you can replace parts easily? As long as the data is intact, a new body is always better since you can buy a new body easily with the current model of marketing that the private corporations are doing.

There was no need to use for nanomachine based War Maidens when everything was replaceable. However, Jin knows that this War Maiden he was making was not replaceable. She was someone that he loved even though he do not show his love that open to people and had always been too busy to accommodate her.

"Master Fammet, please trust our commander. He is eccentric and had always broken the norms of our a commander should work. If he said to take his blood because he was confident of himself and as absurd as it sounded, I asked that you trust his words." Yinn voiced out.

"Master Fammet! Take as much as you can from him for making us work like crazy asses!" Diaz shouted and for once Tellie even supported Diaz's comment.

"You ladies are such asses," Jin said as he grinned and stared with absolute determination towards Old Fammet.

The Mecha Smith sighed and shook his head for a while thinking that if he wants crazy, then he will make something equally magnificent that can match such crazy.

"Alright, let's do it before other people come knocking in."