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Terrence quickly stated, "No, I wouldn't dare! I just hope you can understand the truth and not misunderstand Young Madam. Her feelings for you are true, and she probably did it on the spur of the moment."

"If her feelings for me were true and she was willing to give up her life for me, then why would she betray me for someone else? Is my mother, who abandoned her husband and son, more important than her life?" Jason asked with a sneer.

Terrence immediately shut up, knowing that Young master Reed would get mad again if he continued!

When Jason almost finished the work at hand, there was finally a knock on the study's door.

Terrence let out a sigh of relief, thinking it must be Grace.

Sure enough, when the door was pushed open, Grace walked in and sat down on the couch. She was quiet and did not disturb them, just like the previous days.

Jason glanced at Grace out of the corners of his eyes. His restless heart seemed to have suddenly calmed down because of her appearance.

After telling Terrence some more things, Jason said, "That's all for today."

"Then I'm going home," said Terrence as he quickly left the study.

Grace got up and approached Jason. "Are you done with work?"

"How long are you going to stay here?" Jason asked out of the blue.

Grace said, "I'll stay here as long as you're here. Jay, the kids miss us. They want us to go home. Don't you miss them?"

Grace's nose felt a little sore at the mention of the kids.

"You're still the same. It's all about the kids. You only married me because you wanted to give the children a complete family, and now you want me to go home with you for the kids. What's the matter? Do you want to create a happy and blissful illusion for the kids that much?" Jason asked with his eyebrows raised slightly.

Grace looked at Jason somewhat blankly. Suddenly, she took a deep breath, got up, and grabbed Jason's collar. "Is it true that you don't believe what I say anymore?"

He glanced at her, and though he said nothing, the expression on his face was one of acquiescence.

"It's true that part of the reason I married you was indeed to give our kids a complete family, but... the vows I made when we received our marringe license were sincere and contained no lies! What I told you about falling off the cliff and me loving you are true! They're true!"

She blurted out a long string of words as if the emotions she had been repressing for days finally burst.

Surprise flashed across Jason's eyes. He did not expect the person in front of him to speak so loudly!

Her wet eyes and that sonorous, powerful voice seemed to be expressing her grievances. "Jason, believe it or not, you'll never

meet another woman who will love you more than I do!"

With that said, she suddenly released her grip, turned, and

ran out of the study, leaving him alone. He sat in his chair and

brushed his hand lightly against the collar of his shirt, which she had just grabbed.

"So, are you trying to say you're the woman who loves me the

most?" he muttered to himself.

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Half an hour later, the security guard at the old mansion

reported, "Young master Reed, Young Madam is leaving the

mansion."

Jason's eyes gleamed. 'Is she planning to leave here, after all?'

"Ask the driver to take her back to Reed Residence."

"Yes," he answered.

However, to Jason's surprise, the driver who drove Grace reported, "Young Madam didn't return to Reed Residence but found a hotel to stay.""

The driver then reported the name and address of the hotel

as well as the room number Grace checked into.

Jason frowned slightly. 'Hotel? But it doesn't matter whether

she goes back to Reed Residence or stays in a hotel. Let her

have it her way!'

When Jason lay down on the big bed at night, he suddenly found the bed a little empty.

Before she came here, he would lay alone in this bed at night.

It did not seem to feel this way back then.

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Was it because she had been so clingy these days that he felt

a little out of sorts after she left him so suddenly?

The aggrieved and indignant words she uttered as she tugged at his collar in the study earlier recurred to him again. and again.

For a moment, he was confused about what was true and what was false.

The memory in his mind was telling him the truth of her falling into the sea, but what about what she and Terrence said?

If what they said was true, what about his memories?

Jason only found his head to be in a muddle.

On the other side, Grace lay in a hotel room, her head also in a muddle.

She had left the old mansion impulsively, but she could not go back to Reed Residence. After all, she just told her children that she had work to do in the video call and would not be

home in a few days. If she went home so soon, it would be a slap in the face.

Besides, if the children asked why their father did not come

home with her, she would not know what to say.

Thinking of how clingy she had been in the past few days and how impulsive she was in the study today, her efforts for so many days all went down the drain!

It felt so agonizing when you loved someone but they did not believe you!

Grace gave a bitter smile. 'Did I cause all of this? If I hadn't hurt him and betrayed him for Mrs. Watts, then maybe he would trust me.

'Maybe Jay could trust me again if we find out what happened to his memory as soon as possible.'

Grace planned to go back to the old mansion the next day. However, before she got back to the old mansion, her phone rang. It was Lina's mother calling, and she sounded somewhat

anxious.

"Grace, did Lina... contact you?" asked Mrs. Sweeney.

"No, what's the matter?" asked Grace.

"Well, I accompanied Lina to go to the Municipal Women's Hospital for a pregnancy check-up today. When we were

about to head home, I went to the toilet and didn't see Lina

when I returned. But Lina called me and told me that she met

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Grace frowned. It was indeed unusual.

"Did she say she met who the friend was?" asked Grace.

Mrs. Sweeney said, "No. Grace, do you think something happened to Lina? She's pregnant and was just discharged from the hospital.

"I'll find a way to see if I can contact Lina. Don't worry. I'll call

you later. After the call with Mrs. Sweeney, Grace pondered

about it and made a phone call, asking someone to help her pull the surveillance footage from the women's hospital to see

which friend Lina had left with.

Although Jason was quarreling with her, he did not remove the personnel he assigned to her. Hence, she could still request

the help of those people as Mrs. Reed.

If she called the police, the police would not bother with her

since the adult had not been missing for 24 hours. Besides,

Lina had also called Mrs. Sweeney to explain why she left.

The personnel Jason assigned to Grace was great and efficient. They only took about half an hour before getting

what she wanted.

Katherine Jackson!

Grace looked at the footage they sent and instantly recognized the woman who walked up to Lina and talked to her!

Although the woman was wearing a hat and sunglasses, and the footage was not that clear, Grace could still identify her.

What confused her was that Lina followed Katherine Jackson into the car.

'Lina knows Katherine Jackson almost killed her and the baby in her belly. The police are looking for Katherine Jackson as well. Katherine Jackson is dangerous.

'How could Lina get into Katherine Jackson's car? What was Lina thinking? Or... did Katherine Jackson tell Lina something?'

However, the personnel reported that the surveillance footage only captured the car driving out of the women's hospital before passing two blocks and then going into an alley. The alley did not have any surveillance cameras, so they could

only pull some surveillance footage from nearby shops. The process might take a while.

"Keep looking for her. We must find Lina no matter what!" said

Grace.

On the other hand, Jason was in a video conference with the company's senior executives, who fearfully gave presentations. They were afraid that one of them might accidentally piss off the boss again.

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However, Jason was absent-minded. He hardly slept last night, not because he did not want to sleep but because he could not.

It was as if the bed was cold without her.

Whenever he closed his eyes, what she said last kept repeating in his ears... "Jason, believe it or not, you'll never meet another woman who will love you more than I do!"

It... was as if he was possessed!

Jason put down the pen in his hand and felt indescribably tired. He closed his eyes slightly, raised his hand, and gently rubbed his brow.

'Don't think about what she said! Don't give it another thought! Don't believe her either. Because once I believe it, I'll only keep being a loser. Then I have to worry about her betraying me again sometime in the future!

'If you have no expectations, then you won't be disappointed or in despair!'

He said to himself. However, her voice seemed to ring in his

ears again the next moment.

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"Jason, believe it or not, you'll never meet another woman who

will love you more than I do!"

"That's enough!" he snapped immediately.

Everyone in the video conference instantly shut up, and no one dared to say another word.

In particular, the senior executive who was giving his presentation turned ghastly pale. He thought there was something wrong with his report.

Terrence quickly whispered to Jason, "Young master Reed, what are you..."

Jason opened his eyes, came back to his senses, and realized that he had lost his composure just now. "That's all for today. Let's end the meeting," said Jason as he turned off the video conference screen, got up, and walked out of the study.

He wanted to get some air outside to get rid of the voice that rang in his ears from time to time. However, once he got outside of the house, the air seemed to be filled with her voice.

"Jay, Jay...

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Young Madam drove away in an unfamiliar car, so they called Young Madam but she said she wanted to run some errands alone. She also asked us to put aside the ingredients she

prepared in the kitchen yesterday that she initially planned to cook for a meal with you."

Jason narrowed his eyes. "Did she prepare anything yesterday?"

"I've checked with the kitchen but Young Madam didn't prepare any ingredients," said Terrence.

'In other words, she made something non-existent sound so real. She also mentioned my name...! Jason's eyes gleamed.

'Is something really wrong? Is she asking me for help in this

way?'

Jason immediately said, "Have someone check her driving

route. Do it secretly. Don't let anyone find out!"

"Yes," Terrence answered quickly and hurried away.

Jason felt uneasiness all over him... 'Is she ... under Katherine

Jackson's control?'

He never expected the woman he had never taken seriously to

be a time bomb!

"You'll never meet another woman who will love you more

than I do...

"Never meet ... "

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Jason suddenly held onto a pillar in the corridor and gasped in

a fluster.

'Does she love me that much?

'Could she be the one who loves me the most?

'If she loves me that much, why did she...

Just then, there were suddenly hurried footsteps behind him. Terrence's voice rang. "Young master Reed, something may have happened to Young Madam."

"What do you mean?" Jason froze.

Terrence quickly said, "Well, Young Madam asked the personnel you assigned to her to find Miss Lina. They found out that Miss Lina got into Katherine Jackson's car at the women's hospital. Young Madam asked the men to keep tracking Lina down, but after a while, she called them and asked them to stop."

Terrence paused. Looking at Jason's increasingly ghastly

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Chapter 1905

He was negligent. Since Katherine Jackson dared to attack Lina once, it was likely that she would do it a second time. Did he not already know how much Grace cared about Lina?

However, after Katherine Jackson harmed Lina, Grace helped his mother and Old Lawyer Watts escape Emerald City. He was so furious that he completely forgot about Katherine Jackson.

'Nothing can happen to Grace. If something does happen to

her..!

Jason's breathing intensified. If anyone were near him, they would have seen how ghastly his expression was.

He thought he could stop loving her so much, but nothing beat

her safety.

When Grace saw Lina, she learned that her best friend got into the car with Katherine Jackson because Katherine Jackson had threatened her best friend with Mrs. Sweeney.

What Katherine Jackson said to Lina at the time was... "If you

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don't get in the car with me, I can't guarantee what's going to happen to your mother who's in the washroom. If you yell or resist, I'm going to press the button to detonate the bomb. The washroom she's in will blow up."

Lina was not sure if what Katherine Jackson said was true, but Katherine Jackson did not give her any time to delay. If she did not leave with her within a minute, then she would press the bomb trigger.

Afraid to risk her mother's life, she could only leave with Katherine Jackson.

She wanted to secretly call the police in the car, but Katherine Jackson took her phone and forced her to lie to her mother.

"Grace, I'm sorry," said Lina. She did not expect to involve her

best friend in this.

"Are you okay? Did she hurt you?" Grace cared more about

her best friend's safety than her own.

Katherine Jackson had tied up Lina's hands and feet.

Katherine Jackson also had several tall, burly men around who

looked so mean.

"I'm fine," said Lina.

"Fine?" Katherine Jackson chuckled with a face full of sarcasm.

3/4 "You may be fine now, but something will happen to you in a moment. Lina, you don't think I brought you here just to show you the view, do you?"

Lina paled.

Grace said sternly, "Katherine Jackson, what are you up to?" Katherine Jackson had called her phone. She made her get into an unfamiliar car and forced her to call her personnel to call off the search for Lina, threatening her with Lina's safety.

However, Jay would know what to do!

Katherine Jackson said, "Of course, I want to get justice for myself. Grace, I didn't want to do anything to you, but you sent people to look for Lina. Hence, I can only make you suffer with her."

The hatred in Katherine Jackson's eyes was uncontrollable at

the mention of Lina

If it were not for Lina, there was no way Hadwin Stephenson

would have been so ruthless with her! She even thought she could one day revive the Jackson family after she lifted Hadwin Stephenson's blood curse.

However, who would have expected Hadwin Stephenson to spare her no chance to turn their fate. Even though he bought part of the Jackson family's properties at a good price as per

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their agreement, he drove the Jackson family into a corner in

other ways.

She had angrily gone looking for Hadwin Stephenson before.

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"Hadwin Stephenson, why are you doing this to me? Even if I separated you and Lina, I helped you get back the Stephenson family. Isn't that enough?" she asked him.

He just looked at her coldly as if she were a pest to him.

"Are you being so cruel to the Jackson family and me just for Lina? But aren't you separated from her now? She's unworthy of your love, isn't she? You did so much for her, but what about her? What has she done for you? She doesn't believe in you,

right?"

The next moment, his men pressed her to the ground. Her cheek was pressed against the cold rough ground. She looked like a mess and was embarrassed.

He looked condescendingly at her with a fearsome chill in his

eyes.

"Katherine Jackson, if you mention Lina in front of me again, I'll really kill you!" Hadwin Stephenson said coldly.

It was as if those words were taboo for him.

"Katherine Jackson, it's simple. It's the law of the jungle. I was

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weak, and you were strong, so I had to do everything you wanted. Now, I'm strong, and you're weak, so you have to suffer. I'll never let go of anyone who hurt me," said Hadwin Stephenson.

At that moment, Katherine Jackson only felt enveloped by jealousy. Compared to her hatred for Hadwin Stephenson, she hated Lina more.

Hadwin Stephenson never let go of anyone who hurt him, but Lina was the only one who could still enjoy her life and even get pregnant with Hadwin Stephenson's child after hurting. /him!

'Who is Lina to have that? How is this woman better than me?'

Katherine Jackson said coldly, "I spent a bomb on hiring these men. They're cold-blooded mercenaries. They know nothing about being gentle."

She gave the man standing beside Lina a look as she spoke.

That man immediately raised his hand to slap Lina.

Lina's cheek swelled up instantly, and Katherine Jackson was smug. "Lina, I have your life in my hands now. You'll live or die as I wish!"

Lina's eyes widened with pain as she said, "Even if I die, you're

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probably just going to end up in a worse state after the police catch you. Katherine Jackson, I do have some bad blood with you, but not to the point of killing you!"

Lina tried her best to calm down. She knew that Katherine Jackson had Grace and her in her hands. She could not trigger her. Besides, she had a baby in her belly!

"Even though we were rivals in love, I've already broken up with Hadwin Stephenson and won't have any contact with him. His feelings for me may not be that sincere anyway. Why are you so hell-bent on me?"

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However, after she finished speaking, Katherine Jackson suddenly laughed and looked at Lina like she was looking at an idiot. "Why did Hadwin Stephenson fall in love with a fool

like you? Do you know why I'm hell-bent on you? It's because

you matter so much to Hadwin Stephenson, so I'm getting back at him in this way. I think it'll turn out well. I'd like to see the expression on Hadwin Stephenson's face when he learns that I've killed you and the baby in your belly!"

The more Katherine Jackson went on, the more insane and twisted her expression became.

Lina only felt a chill surging up her body. Katherine Jackson simply wanted her to die!

Also... "What do you mean that I matter so much to Hadwin Stephenson? What do you mean by that?"

Katherine Jackson's eyes were full of sarcasm as she looked at Lina. "Do you think Hadwin Stephenson broke up with you just because he wanted the Stephenson family?" She initially thought so as well, but later, she realized Hadwin Stephenson did everything for Lina.

"Didn't... he?" Lina asked arduously, only thinking something

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was about to upend what she had always known.

"You almost died when Hadwin Stephenson found you after his two brothers hurt you. He knelt and kowtowed in front of me as he held you, asking me to save you! Do you have any idea how pitiful he looked back then? It's a pity you didn't see it. Tsk, tsk!"

Katherine Jackson's every word and sentence seemed to prick Lina nerves. 'Did... something like this happen? But Hadwin Stephenson never told me about it!'

"Afterward, I saved you as he wished and kept you alive for a

while. I left you on the outskirts of Emerald City, but I wanted

him to cut off ties with you from then on. The man I had my eye on couldn't be attached to another woman. Hence, I put a curse on him. It took me a lot of effort to get it from an old Hmong man. I fed the blood curse bug your blood and let him swallow it. Hence, he would experience a heart-wrenching pain whenever he touched you."

Katherine Jackson's eyes glimmered evilly. She had bad intentions by telling Lina the truth. She just wanted to see Lina in pain and regret!

"Lina, Hadwin Stephenson experienced horrific bouts of pain every time he touched you. He struck a deal with me afterward, asking me to get rid of the blood curse in his body so he could spend his life with you. But you didn't believe that

he was loyal to you and you mattered more to him than anyone or anything!"

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Katherine Jackson said grimly. She was jealous of Lina, and she showed a satisfied smile on her face when she saw Lina almost breaking down.

Katherine Jackson said, "Lina, you're a fool. If you weren't stupid enough to force Hadwin Stephenson away, I wouldn't have been able to catch you so easily! Don't worry. Hadwin Stephenson will learn from the news on TV that something has happened to you! And... I can't wait to see the expression on his face!"

Lina paled as tears blurred her eyes.

She ... had no idea! She had no idea Hadwin had done so

much for her.

She had always thought that his career was more important to him and that she was only there to spice up his life. It would be nice to have her around, but he could also easily abandon

her for his career one day.

However, she never thought that he truly loved her.

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It turned out he had to suffer such pain every time he touched her. It turned out that was what he meant by giving him more

time!

However, she never really listened to him.

When he said that he had always loved her and wanted to be with her, she just wanted to protect herself from being hurt, so she repeatedly rejected him.

Even when he came to the hospital and asked her if she regretted cutting all ties with him, she said no!

'How did he feel back then?'

Lina wanted to slap herself hard as she thought of it!

'How could I... hurt him like that?'

Grace was also shocked to hear all of this. Her face was full of surprise. She did not expect so many twists and turns in Hadwin Stephenson and Lina's breakup. Five years later, Hadwin Stephenson took down the Jackson family and got rid of his blood curse, thinking he could finally get back together with Lina. However, she unexpectedly wanted to draw a line

with him.

Grace recalled the time she went to the airport to meet Hadwin Stephenson before he left Emerald City. Hadwin Stephenson's eyes were so indifferent at that time. He must

have been so hurt.

Grace looked at her best friend who was in tears. She

knew how miserable Lina must feel when she loved Hadwin Stephenson so much.

The only fortunate thing was that Lina never aborted the baby in her belly. It was Lina and Hadwin Stephenson's baby!

However, Katherine Jackson's voice rang in Grace's ears as she was deep in thought. "Lina, this wouldn't have happened to

if it weren't for you. I'm going to give Hadwin Stephenson an amazing gift!"

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Katherine Jackson said to her men as she spoke, "Give her a good beating. By the way, focus on her stomach!"

Katherine Jackson took out her phone and tapped on the camera, wanting to film the scene.

Lina felt her blood freezing. She immediately understood Katherine Jackson's intention.

She did not care if Katherine Jackson wanted to hurt her, but

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she would not let anything happen to the child. It was her and

Hadwin's baby!

She was the baby's mother!

However, Lina's hands and feet were tied. She could not

protect her stomach!

Watching their fists aim for her stomach, her mind almost

went blank as tears kept gushing out of her eyes.

Then, there was a bang.

It was the sound of punches landing, but she felt no pain. Lina stared at Grace, who had rushed over and hugged her.

Grace took the punches for her!

"Grace!" shouted Lina. Just how painful would that be?!

"I... I'm fine." Grace comforted her best friend.

'How could she be fine?' Lina hated herself. If she had believed what Hadwin said, would she have found herself in this situation and would Grace still be involved?

"Since you two care so much about each other, then both of you should just suffer together!" said Katherine Jackson. If Grace was not a busybody who insisted on helping Lina, they

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would not have found out that she was the one who tampered with Lina's shot at the community health center. The police would not be after her!

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Hence, punch after punch landed on Grace's body. However, she only focused on protecting her best friend's stomach from those punches!

She had no idea how many punches she received.

Grace kept telling herself to hold on and Jay would save her.

He would!

No matter how furious he was with her, he would show up whenever she was in danger!

She just needed to hold on a little longer. A little longer...

Even though she was saying this to herself, her mind began to be hazy due to the physical pain. Several times, she nearly

fainted.

Just then, the punches stopped landing on her body. She heard loud gusts of wind...

It was the sound of helicopter propellers!

Grace looked up in disbelief at the sky.

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There were five helicopters in the sky, hovering above the top floor of the building.

Staring blankly at the helicopters, Grace suddenly had a

feeling that they must have something to do with Jason. 'It must be Jay!

'Jay has come to save me and Lina!'

Katherine Jackson had chosen the top floor of an abandoned building. She chose this site as she planned to push Grace and Lina off the roof of the building afterward!

She did not expect to be surrounded by helicopters.

As the helicopter flew lower and lower, the wind from its propellers made it hard to keep their eyes open.

Katherine Jackson seemed panicked, and the expressions of her men, all of whom looked so ferocious just a moment ago, changed as well.

One of them glared at Katherine Jackson with a ghastly expression. "Who the hell did you make us kidnap? Didn't you say it was an ordinary rich man's wife and a woman abandoned by your exboyfriend?

"What's with these helicopters?"

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Could an ordinary rich man get five helicopters to circle them like this?

Before Katherine Jackson could speak, Grace said, "The person she asked you to kidnap is the wife of Jason, the richest man in Emerald City. Didn't you do your homework beforehand? Or maybe she was afraid you wouldn't help her if she had told you the truth?"

T The men's faces darkened, and Katherine Jackson growled.

"Grace, shut up!"

Grace ignored Katherine Jackson and said to the men, "It's nonot too late for you to stop. Katherine Jackson only paid you to hhelp her. So as long as you stop now, I can forgive and forget.

I'll even promise not to pursue you and double your pay!"

GGrace knew the most important thing now was to get these mmercenaries on her side. Katherine Jackson could not do aanything if they were willing to stop.

TIThe men looked at each other, contemplating the possibility.

"WWill you really promise not to pursue us and double our pay?" assked one of the men who had punched Grace and

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Grace was in pain due to the punches from before.

She did not even know how many of the men's punches had landed on Lina. She could only protect Lina with all her might,

but not her own body.

Lina laboriously gasped for breath. Her face was bruised and swollen. She could barely keep one eye open. Though Grace hated these men, she could only say with a straight face, "Yes, I can promise you that!"

"You're gonna regret it if you listen to her. We have no other choice but to subdue them to have any chance of escaping!" Katherine Jackson said in a panic, afraid that the men she had spent a bomb on would rebel against her.

Then, another voice rang out. "I can also assure you that all will be well if you let go of my wife and her friend. If you want to listen to what this woman said, then be prepared to lose your lives here today!"

The group was instantly shocked. They looked in the direction of the voice and saw that several people had rushed over. They were blocking the only exit leading downstairs.

Jason was among them.

Even though he was surrounded by the Reed family's bodyguards and security guards, Grace could still instantly spot him in the crowd.

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He was wearing a shirt, and his hair was messy from the helicopters' thrashing propellers. His handsome face seemed to be exuding chills. Even when she met his gaze, those eyes

seemed to be covered with a veil. She could not see them

clearly.

Even so, the mere sight of him gave her a sense of relief!

The mercenaries looked at Jason, then at Grace as if weighing

their options.

Everyone knew they were sitting ducks right now. There were helicopters in the sky, and the only exit was blocked, so there was no way out.

The only card they could play right now was their two hostages.

"Okay, why don't you let us go now and transfer ten million into the account we designated? Then we can return Mrs. Reed and her friend to you." The leader of the mercenaries offered their conditions.

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"Okay." Jason readily agreed and said, "But these two women can't suffer any more injuries!"

"That depends on whether we can get away," he said.

They had clearly put Katherine Jackson out of the picture. Katherine Jackson was an abandoned pawn now!

Katherine Jackson looked flustered. She knew that the mercenaries would not take her with them even if they did. manage to leave. If that was the case, her fate would be incomparably miserable!

With this in mind, she suddenly rushed over to Grace, who was

closer to her, and placed a dagger on her neck.

"Don't come over. I'll kill her right now if anyone comes over!"