

Ex Convict 2021

Chapter 2021

"I... I learned to play a new song as a birthday present for you. I hope... I hope you'll like it," he said somewhat nervously, embarrassed to tell her that he had no money, so he could not afford a present. This was all he could give her.

Fortunately, Jasper Reed's face did not show disappointment but a look of expectation.

William sat down on the piano stool, took a deep breath, and pressed his fingers heavily on the keys.

It was a difficult piece, and he had only heard recordings of it a few times. No one taught him the piece. He found the music score online and learned it himself.

He had practiced secretly for days just to play the song perfectly and make her happy.

'She'll love the song... won't she? She has always liked music that's difficult to play.'

He could play every note correctly, but he could not evoke the right emotions.

Therefore, his music had always lacked something compared to hers.

He tried hard to make his music have more of what she wanted

and make her like his music more, but... he could not do it.

His fingers played smoothly on the keys, and he made no mistake.

While he played, he thought about her.

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He was so happy when she appeared in his room with the cake.

She said she would celebrate his future birthdays in secret, and he was so happy. It would be memorable.

However, when he thought of what his mother had done, he was afraid that Jasper would hate him when she found out how wicked his mother was.

When the song ended, William seemed to still be immersed in the song until a loud round of applause suddenly brought him back to his senses.

Jasper clapped her hands, looking happy. "Wow, William, you played so well. It's a difficult song, and what you played this time is different from the songs you played before!"

"Different?" he asked in confusion.

"It's like there's something extra. You used to play like a machine. The music sounds good, but something's missing. It's different now. Anyway, I think you played very, very well!" she praised generously.

He looked blankly at her. It was the first time he had ever heard her praise his piano skills. "Did you like it?"

"Of course, I do. Why don't you teach me how to play this song and we can play it together?" she asked.

"Sure," he answered. As long as she liked it.

"William, thank you for the present. I'm so happy to have heard such a beautiful song today!" Jasper hugged William and kissed him on the cheek to express her gratitude.

William's face instantly turned red. His cheeks felt like they were on fire, but... he loved the way she kissed him.

"Jasper, never... ever hate me, okay?" muttered William.

"I won't hate you," she said confidently.

"Never?"

"Of course!"

Little by little, his restless heart seemed to quiet down. He would stay here forever and never go anywhere as long as she

did not hate him!

Chapter 2022

Lina planned to shop in the shopping mall here with Grace. She wanted to buy some baby products and have Grace give her some advice.

Grace said, "Hadwin Stephenson didn't prepare anything for you?" In her opinion, Hadwin Stephenson could not wait to arm Lina to the teeth. He prepared everything.

"He has prepared everything, but I want to buy something for myself too. Because if Daddy does all the shopping and Mommy doesn't, how am I a mommy?"

Grace could not help laughing. Looking at the joy on her best friend's face, she was happy for Lina. It was great that Lina and Hadwin Stephenson's hard times were over. Their good times were about to begin.

Just as they approached the mall, Lina dragged Grace to the other side.

"What's the matter? Aren't we going to the mall?" Grace asked

in confusion.

"I just want to check something out. I heard they're filming Old Friends 2 here today," said Lina.

Old Friends was a gay drama broadcasted on online platforms. The two male leads were rookies, but the response had been

good so far. Grace's best friend had recommended the drama, and she watched it every week.

However, she had no idea that her best friend even knew that they were filming the sequel nearby today.

“How do you know about it?” she asked curiously.

Lina felt a little embarrassed as soon as she asked that. She asked a little awkwardly, “Uh... I’m pregnant now, so Hadwin assigned a few people to me. I can get them to do whatever I need. Old Friends is shooting their sequel now, so I asked them to look up where they’re filming. I can’t believe they’re so efficient. They even got me the filming schedule.”

Grace was speechless. “Does Hadwin Stephenson know you asked his men to do this?”

Lina was meek. “Probably... not.” If Hadwin found out, she would not have gotten the schedule at all.

The two of them got to the neighborhood. Sure enough, a film crew was filming there. However, not many fans knew they were filming here, so there were not too many people around. Some staff members were clearing the scene to avoid too many onlookers.

When Lina saw two male lead actors coming out of a cafe, her eyes immediately lit up. “Hey, it’s true that they’re filming here!” She was so lucky to see the two male leads as soon as she came.

Grace followed her best friend’s gaze and saw the two male lead

actors. Speaking of which, though the two men were rookies, they were pretty good at acting. Besides, the first drama was rather simple, and their vague relationship was enthralling,

“Speaking of which, did your man say anything, when you watched the show?” Lina asked with some curiosity.

“I watched it during the day when he wasn’t home,” said Grace. It would be a little weird to watch a drama like that with Jay. “What about you? Did you watch it with Hadwin Stephenson?”

“Ha...” Lina chuckled drily. “I’m binge-watching the drama. I want to know everything that’s happening. I can’t wait until daytime to watch it.”

“Didn’t Hadwin Stephenson say anything?”

“He said nothing. He only looked a little serious. I’m just admiring them anyway. I don’t have any other ideas,” mumbled

Lina.

She could not help recalling how Hadwin Stephenson had grabbed her jaw and his lips were against her earlobes when she watched the drama last night. “Do you enjoy watching this so much? Why don’t I star in a film like that someday? Will you look at me so intently then?”

Lina could not help blushing at the thought of it.

Chapter 2023

If he did star in a gay drama, then... she felt that her nose was about to bleed just thinking about it!

“Why are you blushing?” asked Grace as she looked at her best friend’s flushed face.

“N—

Nothing.” Lina quickly got rid of the blush on her face and said to her best friend, “Let’s wait here for a while. Let’s ask for an autograph or something when they finish filming. I’m sure they’ll say yes.”

“I think so too,” said Grace. Although the drama Old Friends was getting popular, it was only a niche genre, after

all. Besides, the two actors were rookies, so they probably would not reject fans who asked them for autographs or something.

Especially when her best friend was pregnant.

“But I’m afraid it’s going to take

them a while to wrap up. Are you just going to wait here? Aren’t you tired?” Grace said with

some concern.

Lina said, “Nope. It’s kinda interesting to watch them shoot!”

After watching for a while, Lina could not help crying out, “Wow, are they filming a breakup scene? Gosh, they’re gonna break up in the sequel!”

“Gosh, I’ll probably cry if I watch this episode on TV.”

“Wow, they have a crying scene. I really want to get closer to watch it!”

Lina rambled on. Then she dragged Grace along until she was stopped by the film crew’s security guards.

A few fans were also trying to get closer to the film set, so the security guards pushed a little harder.

“Watch out!” Grace hurried to protect Lina, worried about her pregnant best friend getting hurt. However, she was accidentally pushed to the side and was about to fall. Someone helped

Grace in time, and then someone

came forward to protect Lina, separating those fans and security guards from Lina.

Suddenly, Lina and Grace were the ones being protected.

“Young Madam, are you okay?” The bodyguard’s voice rang in

Grace’s ear.

She looked at the person in front of her, who was the Reed family’s bodyguard. It was unsurprising that she had bodyguards secretly protecting her. After all the danger she had been in, Jay had gotten people to secretly protect her.

She looked at the faces of those who were now guarding her best friend. They were unfamiliar.

“They’re…”

“They’re the Stephenson family’s bodyguards. Mr. Stephenson is having them secretly protect Miss Sweet to keep her safe,” the bodyguard next to Grace replied.

“How do you know that? Do you know each other?” Grace asked curiously.

“We... We’ve been bumping into each other a lot recently because of our work. We occasionally talk to each other, so I kinda know what’s going on,” the bodyguard replied.

Grace met Lina once or twice a week, so their bodyguards often ran into each other and would sometimes have a chat.

Lina looked at the bodyguards in front of her in shock after hearing that. “Hadwin... sent you?”

Chapter 2024

“Mr. Stephenson’s worried about the danger you might encounter, so he asked us to secretly protect you, Miss Sweeney,” they said.

Their strange behavior also attracted the attention of the people around them. A voice suddenly rang out. “Hey, isn’t this the woman who had an affair with the president of Stephenson Group and then went viral because she got pregnant?”

After all, when Anthony Sherman’s malicious post went viral, the photos and videos that the press had taken of Lina before this were also posted online. Although Hadwin Stephenson deleted them afterward, many people had seen them.

It was no surprise that a few people could recognize Lina.

However, many people were looking in their direction and began to talk after hearing the statement.

When Hadwin Stephenson received his subordinate’s call, his eyebrows furrowed slightly. Then, he said, “Okay, got it. I’ll come over right now.” As soon as he finished speaking, Hadwin Stephenson turned to the people he was having a video conference with and said, “Continue with the meeting. I’ll have my secretary take notes.”

With that said, Hadwin Stephenson left in a hurry, leaving puzzled looks on the faces of the people holding the video

conference on the big screen on the wall. They had no idea what had happened that made their president leave in such a hurry.

However, the secretary knew what was going on. After all, no one besides Lina could do this.

When

Hadwin Stephenson’s car arrived at the cafe’s entrance near the mall, he also saw Jason, who was hurrying over as well.

Hadwin Stephenson immediately had a bad feeling, while Jason only raised his eyebrows slightly.

“What a coincidence. We meet again,” Jason said as he walked forward.

“Yes, we meet again,” said Hadwin Stephenson, feeling slightly embarrassed.

“I heard that they’re here to meet celebrities today. Which idol or celebrity has your woman been fangirling over these days?”

said Jason.

Hadwin Stephenson was immediately speechless. ‘Which? She’s been fangirling several, even dozens of them. I have no idea which celebrity is Lina trying to meet today. The bodyguard didn’t make it clear on the phone either.’

Jason probably figured it out, so he said, “Let’s go in and check on them first. But speaking of which, even if Lina loves you, you have to try hard to keep her eyes on you so that she’ll fangirl over celebrities less.”

‘And bring Grace along with her less! This unspoken sentence was Jason’s main concern.

Hadwin Stephenson rubbed his temples. “What about you? How did you get Grace to keep her eyes on you?”

Jason smiled. “Just make yourself more attractive to her than the other men she wants to see. Women can charm men. Can’t men do the same?”

Hadwin Stephenson glanced at Jason. ‘Did this guy...’

“You have good looks. Do you think you’re no match for those idols and celebrities?” Jason patted Hadwin in Stephenson’s shoulder and entered the cafe.

Hadwin Stephenson glared at Jason’s back and followed him inside.

The two women were sitting in the cafe, chatting with the film crew’s major production team over coffee. They looked like they were having the time of their lives.

The film crew had rented the cafe because they were filming there today.

Due to the commotion outside earlier, the film crew recognized Lina. Besides, she was pregnant, so they hurriedly invited her in.

Chapter 2025

After all, in the news earlier, it was reported that the president of Stephenson Group had said that the baby in Lina’s belly would be Stephenson Group’s future heir.

The film crew would be in trouble if anything happened to the baby!

However, they did not expect another tall and handsome man to come over with Hadwin Stephenson.

When some of the bodyguards saw Jason, they immediately shouted, “Young master Reed.”

Young master Reed... Not many people in Emerald City would be addressed as that!

When the film crew looked at Jason’s aristocratic appearance, someone instantly thought of a man.

“Could this... be Jason?”

After hearing Grace shout ‘Jay’, the crowd could confirm their guesses.

'It was indeed... Jason!'

Jason approached Grace. "Were you hurt? If you wanted an autograph, you could've just asked me."

"I'm not hurt. Someone just bumped into me," said Grace before smiling. "I just found out today that the TV drama I'm following is being filmed here. I just got an autograph and took a photo."

"Oh? Have you been binge-watching TV dramas lately? What is it called? What is it about?" Jason seemed to ask nonchalantly.

Grace immediately froze. 'Gosh, I accidentally spilled the beans. The title's fine, but what about its content?'

Grace was silent for a while, hesitating what to say when Hadwin Stephenson said quietly, "The drama is called Old Friends. It's a love story between two men."

The expression on Jason's face froze slightly. Even though he had always been calm, he could not help feeling surprised. His peach blossom eyes stared at Grace. "Do you like such shows?"

"The plot is actually... not bad. Well... I only watch it

occasionally," Grace said meekly. For some reason, she felt a little guilty under his gaze.

'Gosh, what am I feeling guilty about? It's not like I'm watching those shows with prejudice!'

"This show is innocent. Hadwin, didn't you watch the show with me? Tell Jason, lest he misunderstands," said Lina.

Hadwin Stephenson immediately felt his headache intensify. 'Does this woman want me to recommend Jason such a show?'

He glanced

at Lina sideways. "I heard that you asked the men I assigned to you for the crew's filming schedule. Did you come here after seeing the schedule?"

Lina chuckled drily. "I only came over to have a look. I wasn't really sure but it turns out that they're really filming here."

"Then what did you do besides asking for autographs?" asked Hadwin Stephenson as he vaguely glanced at the film crew members nearby. To no surprise, he saw the leading actors.

He might not be able to recognize other celebrities, but he could recognize the two leading actors. Lina kept praising these two male actors in front of him, saying how handsome they were.

'Handsome... Do I have to do what Jason said

last time? Do I have to try hard to enchant Lina so that she'll keep her eyes on me?'

Chapter 2026

"We only took a couple of photos together and shook hands. Then, they said we're welcome to visit the set at any time," said Lina.

The director hurriedly stepped forward with the two leading actors, introduced himself, and said with a smile, "It's our honor that Miss Sweeney and Mrs. Reed enjoy our drama. We'll work harder in filming the sequel!"

The film crew was delighted that Lina and Grace liked their work.

After all, if the film crew ever ran into trouble, maybe these people could help them solve it. It was always better to have more connections.

"You can also visit us at any time. I can give you a more detailed filming schedule if you want," the director said.

"You have a more detailed schedule?" Lina's eyes lit up.

"Yes, we do. We do..." However, the director stopped speaking halfway because the way Hadwin Stephenson looked at him was somewhat dangerous.

"Alright, it's almost noon now. Let's get something to eat first," said Hadwin Stephenson.

"Ah, I wanna go to the washroom first," said Lina.

"I'll go with Lina," said Grace. After all, Lina was pregnant. She would be worried if Lina went to the washroom alone.

The two of them

came to the cafe's bathroom entrance and heard a voice inside saying, "Why is Lina so smug? Even though she's pregnant, she still failed to join the Stephenson family, right?"

"I know, right? Does she think she's the mistress of the Stephenson family because she's pregnant? Hadwin Stephenson only said her baby is the future heir of the Stephenson family. He never said she would be the mistress of the Stephenson family!"

"In my opinion, the Stephenson family probably thinks she's low-born, so Hadwin Stephenson has no plans to marry her. Women like her are nothing more than baby-making machines for rich families."

Grace could not help frowning, and she felt her best friend beside her stiffen slightly.

"Lina!" she cried out.

Lina turned her head and smiled at Grace. "I'm fine."

The two women in the washroom seemed to hear the sound outside and immediately walked out. Their expressions changed when they saw Lina and Grace. They stammered an apology, saying, "I'm sorry... We... We were just talking."

After all, they were just minor actresses in the film crew. Although they were jealous and disdainful of women who got to the top by using their children like Lina, they were scared to say it to her face. They were scared to death after getting caught. They were worried that Lina would complain to Hadwin Stephenson.

Lina smiled. "I had no idea people like you would be so worried about whether a woman like me marries my boyfriend or not. My boyfriend doesn't even think I'm not good enough for him, but it seems you think so."

The two women grew even paler.

Lina raised her chin, her face full of confidence. "Whether Hadwin and I will get married doesn't concern you. I just don't want you to be humiliated when Hadwin and I really do get married!"

The two women left dejectedly. Lina turned and saw the worried look on her best friend's face. She said, "Alright, don't worry

about me. I know how Hadwin and I are doing. I'm confident about our future!"

Chapter 2027

Grace was relieved when she saw her confident smile. "I was afraid what they said would hurt you. But then again, have you and Hadwin Stephenson talked about getting married?"

"Not really, but..." Lina smiled. "I know I'm the only one Hadwin loves. He has never loved others, so I don't care when we're getting married. I just want us to keep loving each other."

"But..."

"Besides, I'm pregnant. I don't think I'm in the right shape to get married now. Do you want me to hold the wedding ceremony with a big belly? I want to wear a beautiful wedding dress!" quipped Lina.

Therefore, Grace said nothing.

At noon, the four of them found a nearby restaurant and had lunch together in a private room.

Lina looked through the photos she took with the leading actors on her phone and asked Grace, "Why don't I give you a set when I print them out?"

"Sure," Grace blurted out.

"Sure?" Jason raised his eyebrows and looked at his wife. "What's the matter? Are you going to keep them in a photo

album?"

"It's considered memorabilia too. Didn't you help me get autographs and take photos with celebrities before?"

"I remember that celebrity is good at acting and has starred in many good dramas. What about these two men? What have they starred in? Do you like their acting or... their looks?"

Jason's handsome face inched closer to Grace as he spoke.

His eyes were charming, and his breath smelled nice. Grace instantly felt her heart beat faster, and she seemed to be trapped in his gaze.

‘He... He’s not jealous, is he?’

“Although they’re rookies, they’re good at acting. They only look okay though...” she said. Even though the two leading actors were handsome, she could not admit it at such a time!

Besides, the leading actors were indeed pretty good-looking, but they were no match for Jay.

However, Lina counteracted her efforts. “Just okay? Grace, didn’t you say they look pretty good and are your cup of tea? Why did you...”

Lina only found the pressure in the private room heightening. She instantly shut up as if she just realized it.

‘Gosh. There’s a saying that you get dumb when you’re pregnant. I’ve gotten stupid from my pregnancy. Jason’s already jealous,

yet I’m adding fuel to the fire by saying all these.’

All she could do was look at her best friend apologetically.

However, it was too late. Jason’s dark eyes narrowed as he stared at Grace. “They look pretty good and they’re your cup of tea? What’s the matter? Do you like these two men’s appearances?”

“No, no, they’re my cup of tea, not Grace’s!” Lina said hurriedly. Since she had said the wrong thing, she would fix it.

Therefore, Lina tried hard to hurl mud at herself.

“Oh? They’re your cup of tea?” A faint voice rang beside them, sounding jealous. It made Lina freeze instantly as she just realized Hadwin Stephenson was looking at her with jealousy!

Chapter 2028

Lina immediately looked embarrassed. “I... I was just saying.”

“Just saying?” Hadwin Stephenson tugged at his tie. “Then why don’t you tell us how these two actors are your cup of tea?”

Lina was immediately at a loss for words. Whatever she said turned out to be the wrong thing.

Grace quickly smoothed things over. “Alright, alright, let’s order first. We’re all hungry. We can’t let Lina starve!”

“Yes, let’s order. Let’s order!” Lina said quickly.

Therefore, the two women took the menu and huddled together to start ordering. Meanwhile, the two men looked at their own women with different expressions on their faces.

Before long, the food Lina and Grace ordered was served.

The four began to eat, and Jason was halfway through his meal. When he suddenly said, "Why do you women like to watch TV shows where two men fall in love?"

'Huh?'

Lina and Grace looked at each other. Finally, Grace replied, "It's not that we like to watch TV shows like that. It's just that they happen to be TV shows we like. In my opinion, such shows express that love is more about the person than anything else.

Even if people around you look at you differently, the feeling will never change."

"Really? It's not because of the two men's looks?" asked Jason.

Poof!

Lina almost spewed out the food she had not swallowed.

Grace was also speechless.

'Well, the actors' looks do help, of course!'

"Well, those with better looks are more pleasing to the eye when put together."

"So..." Jason suddenly got up, pushed his chair away, and walked to Hadwin Stephenson as he glanced over the two women. "Do you find it pleasing to the eyes if Hadwin and I do this?"

He said as he pressed one hand on Hadwin

Stephenson's shoulder. Then, he slowly leaned over as his face inched closer to Hadwin Stephenson's.

Hadwin Stephenson froze for a while. He seemed to realize something and looked slightly sideways at Jason.

The two men just stared at each other as their two handsome faces came closer and closer.

Grace and Lina instantly widened their eyes, their faces full of shock.

"Gosh..." A low cry escaped Lina's mouth.

"That's so... you know... Hadwin Stephenson looks slightly feminine, while Jason looked indifferent and handsome. But those peach blossom eyes of his are so gorgeous.'

The two men were in

such an amorous pose that provoked others' imagination. The impact was also nothing the two rookie actors in the TV show could compare with.

Lina felt as if she was about to have a nose bleed. She watched their faces get closer and closer till their lips were close to touching. She immediately leaned forward and tugged Hadwin Stephenson sideways, pulling Hadwin Stephenson and Jason slightly apart.

"Uh... You... You don't need to make it pleasing to the eyes. That's enough. That's enough..." Lina said quickly, feeling as if she was about to lose her future husband.

After all, Jason's face was so stunning that he could attract both men and women!

Chapter 2029

"Really?" Jason looked at Grace, who was staring blankly at the scene in front of her. "Do you think it's enough too? If you don't, I can make it more pleasing to the eyes."

"It's enough. It's enough," Grace said meekly in an instant.

'In other words, is Jay still jealous?'

It seemed she would have to comfort Jay when they got home.

Jason then patted Hadwin Stephenson on the shoulder and sat back on his chair.

Hadwin Stephenson looked at Jason thoughtfully, then said to the worried-looking Lina nearby, "What's wrong? I thought you like watching these."

Lina rolled her eyes. "That doesn't mean I like seeing you and other men..." After a pause, she added, "Well, you guys would have kissed if I hadn't grabbed you."

"It's nothing even if we kissed," said Hadwin Stephenson. It meant nothing to him unless she was the one he kissed.

However, Lina's jaw dropped as soon as he said that. "No. You can't kiss him! Hadwin Stephenson, only I can kiss you!"

She kissed him on the lips after she spoke. She only realized

suddenly that her best friend and Jason were also in the private room when the kiss ended!

Even though Lina was rather thick-skinned, she ended up blushing.

After their meal, the two men went home with their own women.

However, when Lina got into the car, Grace suddenly walked to Hadwin Stephenson and said something before getting into

Jason's car.

After Hadwin Stephenson got into the car, Lina asked, "What did Grace say to you?"

"Nothing. She said you're pregnant and asked me to take good care of you," said Hadwin Stephenson as he started the car.

As the car slowly pulled out of the parking lot, what Grace just said to him flashed through his mind...

"Hadwin Stephenson, have you ever thought of marrying Lina? Everyone knows that Lina is pregnant with your baby now but they only know her as Miss Sweeney, not Mrs. Stephenson. Although Lina appears indifferent, I don't want people gossiping about her!"

'Marry...

'Yeah, I should have mentioned marriage when I decided to start over with her, shouldn't I?'

However, he had not formally mentioned it to her.

He was too careless. He did not expect so many rumors to spread when he dragged the matter out. Even if she and her parents would not overthink it, what about her friends, relatives, and neighbors?

What would they think of her?

"Why don't I take you home now?" asked Hadwin Stephenson as he looked at Lina.

"There's no hurry. I want to go to your office and spend more time with you this afternoon!" said Lina.

"Okay, take a nap if you're sleepy. I'll wake you up when we reach." He knew that she would get sleepy after eating these days.

"Oh," she responded as she nodded. She closed her eyes in a daze. However, before she fell asleep, she did not forget to say to Hadwin Stephenson, "By the way, you can't fall in love with Jason. He only has eyes for Grace."

Hadwin Stephenson was instantly between laughter and tears when he heard that.

Chapter 2030

Then, he flicked Lina on the forehead. "What on earth is going on in your head? How could I possibly fall for him? You're the only one I'd fall for!"

However, thanks to what Jason just did, she started becoming concerned about him. Hadwin Stephenson wondered if he should thank Jason.

She finally closed her eyes and fell asleep, feeling relieved after he said that.

Hadwin Stephenson glanced at her sleeping face and continued driving.

'Our wedding should be on the agenda too. I want her to be my wife, the official mistress of the Stephenson family!'

In the car, Grace asked Jason, "Would you have kissed Hadwin Stephenson if Lina hadn't stopped you?"

Jason raised his eyebrows and asked, "What about you? Did you want me to kiss him?"

"This question is...'

"You're my husband. How could I possibly expect you to kiss him?"

He said nonchalantly, "Really? I thought you enjoyed watching these things but was too embarrassed to tell me. Otherwise, I would have known what TV shows you were watching."

"Ahem, ahem..." Grace almost choked herself. "You... You're overthinking it. Why don't I tell you about all the TV shows I'm watching from now on?"

"Is the TV show on tonight?" asked Jason.

“Ah, yes... There’s an episode every Monday to Friday,” said Grace.

“Really? Let’s watch it together tonight,” said Jason.

Grace was dumbstruck. ‘Watch it together tonight?’

“Are you sure... you want to watch it with me?”

“Of course. I think I’ll enjoy the TV shows you like too.” He smiled slightly, and it was so enchanting.

Lina woke up in the lounge in Hadwin Stephenson’s office.

Hadwin Stephenson was sitting beside the bed, looking intently at his phone.

“What are you looking at?” she murmured.

“Nothing, I’m just checking the documents we need to bring for marriage registration online,” said Hadwin Stephenson.

Lina’s sleepy eyes instantly widened. What little drowsiness she had was instantly gone.

“What did you say... Marriage registration?” she asked in surprise.

Hadwin Stephenson looked at her and smiled. “What’s the matter? Don’t you want to marry me?”

“Uh...” She hesitated. “I... I do want to marry you, but I... I’m a little shocked when you brought up marriage all of a sudden.”