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"Ms. Hudson, shouldn't you be at home recovering at this time? How come you are here?"

Jennifer sneered, her eyes full of anger, "Isaac, stop pretending, it was clearly you who approached me, asking me to scheme..."

Before the speech was finished, the lights at the press conference suddenly went out, plunging the venue into darkness.

"What happened? How could there be a sudden power outage?!"

"Quickly turn on the phone light!"

"Where's Jennifer?! How did she suddenly disappear?! I was waiting for her to continue!"

The scene was a complete mess, and it took a full ten minutes before the lights came back on. The spot where Jennifer had been standing was now empty.

Isaac placated the crowd with a smile, "Ladies and gentlemen, please calm down. The cause of the power outage has been identified. It was due to a staff member accidentally tripping the circuit breaker. The power has been restored now. Oh, where is Ms. Hudson?"

All the reporters were looking at Isaac, among them, some who loved a good spectacle, opened their mouths and said, "Mr. Yoder, Jennifer just said that you approached her, may I ask what kind of deal you two made behind the scenes?"

"Mr. Yoder, you didn't deliberately plan for Maxim to harass Jennifer, did you?"

"Speaking of which, there were some doubts about this matter. Why did Jennifer call the police, yet there was no evidence to prove that Maxim had done anything to her? I wonder how Mr. Yoder would explain this?"

Listening to the successive questioning voices, the smile on Isaac's face gradually cooled down.

He looked at the reporter, and said word by word, "Why would I scheme against my own cousin? If this incident had happened before he stepped down as the president of the Yoder Group, you could have such suspicions. But I have already taken the position of the president of the Yoder Group, what benefit would I get from framing him?"

Seeing that no one spoke, he laughed again, "I believe all the journalists present here are smart people, who wouldn't do anything that brings no benefit to themselves, right?"

In the silence among the reporters, a soft laugh suddenly came from the

corner.

"Isaac, would you resort to such despicable tactics?"

Isaac's pupils suddenly constricted as he looked at a woman in a reporter's outfit in the corner, his face instantly turning extremely unsightly.

How on earth did the secretary handle things, why was Jennifer still here?!

Jennifer chuckled, stood up and looked straight at Isaac, saying, "Mr. Yoder, are you surprised and shocked as to why I'm still here, not locked up by your secretary, aren't you?"

Isaac forced a smile, his eyes full of coldness, "Why would Ms. Hudson say such a thing? Is there any misunderstanding about me? I also have dealings with Ms. Hudson's father. If there is any

misunderstanding, we can resolve it privately."

Jennifer sneered, not taking his threat seriously at all.

"Isaac, you said I misunderstood you. Did I misunderstand that you deliberately wanted me to scheme against Maxim, or did I misunderstand that you were being fickle, wanting to lock me up in the Yang family with my uncle and aunt for a lifetime?!"

As soon as these words were spoken, all the journalists present widened their eyes, filled with excitement.

"What did I hear?!"

"Unexpectedly, Maxim was indeed framed!"

"Hehe, Isaac put on a good front, but who would have thought that he couldn't wait to stab Maxim in the back behind the scenes. He's really a wolf in sheep's clothing, two–faced!"

"It was perfectly normal for him to act this way. Only a madman would buddy up with the son of the murderer who killed his own parents!"

Isaac's face was terribly gloomy as he coldly said to Jennifer, "Ms. Hudson, everyone has to be responsible for what they say I hope you won't talk nonsense! You said I conspired with you to frame Maxim, what benefit would I get from framing him?!"

Jennifer stared at him, saying word by word, "Of course you have benefits, the benefit is that you can defeat Maxim in the next Yoder Group president election!"

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Isaac's face changed, then he sneered, "Ms. Hudson, there's a price to pay for talking nonsense!"

"Mr. Yoder, then you should listen to this recording first."

Jennifer immediately took out her phone and played an audio clip. The sound of her conversation with Isaac echoed throughout the venue, making Isaac's face turn extremely pale.

The conversation inside covered how Isaac took advantage of Jennifer's hatred for Maxim and Briana, persuading Jennifer to help him scheme against Maxim, as well as their subsequent dialogue.

After listening to the recording, the look in everyone's eyes towards Isaac changed on the spot. It could be said that every step Jennifer took was according to Isaac's plan.

Isaac stared at Jennifer, his gaze cold and fierce.

"Jennifer, using a fake recording to deceive people is useless, no one on the scene would believe your words. I'm starting to doubt, was all this planned by you and Maxim, putting on such a show to scheme against me?"

Jennifer looked at him mockingly and slowly said, "Mr. Yoder, before I came here, I had already sent these audios to authoritative institutions for verification. I believe we will soon know whether they are real recordings or not."

Unexpectedly, Jennifer had blocked all her own retreats, Isaac couldn't help but grit his back teeth.

Seeing Isaac's expression, everyone already knew what was going on, their gazes gradually becoming disdainful and contemptuous.

This press conference ultimately became a joke.

"Wait for me!"

Throwing these words coldly at Jennifer, Isaac turned around and left directly.

Not only were the reporters buzzing with discussions, but Isaac also started to get bashed online.

"It was truly eye-opening, they actually schemed against Maxim in this way, even claiming to treat Maxim as their own family, it was simply nauseating!"

"How could I still somewhat side with Isaac, after all, his parents were killed by Maxim's parents. It's quite normal for him to plot against Maxim."

"Even if Maxim's parents were the ones who killed his parents, what does that have to do with Maxim? Why didn't he seek revenge on Maxim's parents?!"

Hearing that, I suddenly remembered something. Wasn't Maxim's mother in a car accident not long ago and still in a coma? Could this have anything to do with Isaac?!

"...No way, what you just said is kind of terrifying when I think about it."

Seeing those comments online, a smile tugged at the corner of Briana's mouth. She turned to Maxim and said, "People online are already suspecting that your mother's car accident is related to Isaac. I believe the truth will soon be revealed."

"Briana, thank you!"

Briana looked up to meet Maxim's serious gaze, her heart involuntarily skipped a beat, she quickly looked away and said, "It's nothing, it's what I should do."

Maxim was about to speak when a cell phone suddenly rang from the side.

Seeing that it was a director from the Yoder Group, a flash of surprise crossed his eyes.

"Mr. Yoder, when did you return to work at the Yoder Group?"

"I didn't plan to go back recently. Does Mr. Liu have something?"

There was silence on the other end of the phone for a few seconds, then the deliberately lowered voice of President Liu came through.

"Because of Isaac's temper, he has already caused the Yoder Group to lose several major collaborations. Although several shareholders didn't say anything on the surface, they have already expressed their

complaints about Isaac behind his back. We hope that you, Mr. Yoder, could come back."

Maxim squinted, his expression somewhat indifferent.

After he had resigned as the president of the Yoder Group, not many shareholders had come to him. Now that his dealings with Isaae and Jennifer had just been exposed, shareholders started to approach

him. Their intention was probably not to have him return, but to watch him and Isaac fight to mutual destruction, so they could benefit from their downfall.

A cold smirk slowly formed at the corner of his mouth as he said in a low voice, "After all, I was deeply involved in a scandal of sexually harassing a client. Once this matter is completely over, I will go back."

Upon hearing this, Mr. Liu responded excitedly, "Great, we'll wait for your return!"

After hanging up the phone, Briana frowned and said, "I'm afraid this Mr. Liu is up to no good."

Maxim nodded, "He wanted to see me fight with Isaac, so I kicked him out of the Yoder Group first."

Briana didn't speak again, after all, when it came to winning hearts in the business world, Maxim was far more skilled than her.

"I went to change my clothes, as I had to meet with Jennifer later."

"Good."

On the other side, the Yoder Group.

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After ending the call with Maxim, CEO Liu immediately teamed up with several shareholders and went straight to Isaac's office to wait for him.

Isaac had just returned from the press conference, his face extremely gloomy, and his mood had hit rock bottom.

Just as I walked into the office, I saw several shareholders sitting on the sofa. I couldn't help but frown, "What are you guys here for?!"

Mr. Liu stood up and looked at him, "Mr. Yoder, we also saw what happened at the press conference. We didn't expect that you would actually scheme against your own cousin. This press conference not only failed to recover the stock price of the Yoder Group, but also caused the stock price of the Yoder Group to fall a lot more."

Isaac's expression was icy, "So what?"

Mr. Liu frowned, his tone cooling slightly, "Since former Mr. Yoder was innocent, we should let former Mr. Yoder return to work at the Yoder Group. After all, everyone has witnessed former Mr. Yoder's work ability."

As Mr. Liu's words fell, the entire office plunged into silence.

Isaac stared at him coldly for a good while, then suddenly laughed, "Mr. Liu, are you implying that I'm incompetent?"

"Mr. Yoder overthought it, I didn't mean that."

"Really?! I thought that's exactly what you meant!"

Facing Isaac's cold gaze, CEO Liu didn't show the slightest fear.

"Mr. Yoder, if you insist on thinking this way, there's nothing I can do. The former Mr. Yoder didn't do anything wrong, and he is also a shareholder of the Yoder Group. He has the right to enter the board of directors."

Isaac sneered, "Fine, then let him come back and continue working."

Mr. Liu smiled, "Alright, then Mr. Yoder, you carry on with your work."

After several people left, Isaac swept all the documents on the table onto the floor in one fell swoop, his gaze terrifyingly gloomy.

It was bad enough that Jennifer had snubbed him, but these worthless board members also wanted to shit on his head, he would definitely not let them off easily!

Isaac let the secretary in and said coldly, "Go check on that General Manager Liu, I want evidence of his crime, understand?"

The secretary nodded, "Yes!"

"Get out."

Isaac took out his phone and dialed Theodore's number, saying coldly, "Mr. Hudson, you promised me that you wouldn't let Jennifer appear in public again. Don't you think you should explain what happened today?"

Theodore broke out in a cold sweat and quickly explained, "Mr. Yoder, I just found out about this myself. I'll immediately send someone to find Jennifer and ensure she is brought before you to apologize."

Isaac laughed in anger, his voice as cold as ice, "No need, I don't want

to see any of you Yang family members again!"

"The collaboration between Yang and the Yoder Group..."

"There was no cooperation, and there would not be any in the future."

After speaking, Isaac immediately hung up the phone.

However, the anger in his heart did not diminish at all. He clearly could have made Maxim a laughingstock at the press conference today, but he ended up shooting himself in the foot!

He opened the webpage, and saw that the top trending topic was today's press conference. With a cold expression, he clicked on it, only to see a bunch of comments praising Maxim.

I knew Mr. Yoder wasn't that kind of person. Aren't those who blindly criticized Mr. Yoder in the past slapping their own faces now?!

"Hahaha, it's more than just a slap in the face, the face must have swollen like a pig's head!"

That so-called cousin was simply a male version of a green tea bitch. It was clearly him who instigated Jennifer to frame Maxim, yet he had the audacity to pretend to hope that Maxim could mend his ways. I almost threw up my dinner from the night before!

Isaac angrily threw his phone on the ground, his eyes filled with anger and hatred.

Maxim!

Wait for me!

On the other side, after Briana arrived at the place she had agreed upon with Jennifer, she looked at her with an indifferent expression.

"Ms. Hudson, if I remember correctly, our deal was already completed. I saved you, you told the truth. What else are you looking for me to do?"

"Take me away from Bridenville!"

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Upon hearing this, Briana burst out laughing, raising an eyebrow at Jennifer and said, "Jennifer, do I look like a fool to you?"

Jennifer gritted her teeth, speaking with some lack of confidence, "Don't forget, if it weren't for me, Maxim would have been saddled with the charge of sexual harassment for life!"

"A lifetime? You really think highly of yourself. Your affair with senior Mr. Ponce has already become public knowledge. Even if you don't explain it at the press conference today, I have plenty of ways to handle this matter."

Jennifer's face turned pale, and despite not wanting to admit it, what Briana said was indeed the truth.

"Do you want to kill me? I exposed Isaac at the press conference, neither he nor the Yang family will let me go. If you don't get me out of here, I'm a dead man!"

Briana was indifferent, she couldn't muster any sympathy for someone like Jennifer.

"The dead–end you're in is of your own making. I've already done my utmost by rescuing you from the Yang family. As for your desire to go abroad, you'd be better off asking Senior Mr. Ponce. You're a smart person, you know what you should do."

After speaking, Briana got up and left.

Jennifer didn't stop her, after all, she no longer had the capital to negotiate with Briana.

On the way back to the villa, Briana received a call from Maxim.

"Adolph has come back."

Briana pursed her lips, "When were you planning to see him?"

"Now."

"I was with you, I was on my way back to the villa, it would take about twenty minutes to get there."

There was silence for a few seconds, then Maxim's deep voice came through, "Alright, no rush, you can drive slower."

When Briana returned to Elm Bay, Maxim was already waiting for her at the door, showing that he didn't want to waste a second and wanted to see Adolph right away.

After getting in the car, Maxim drove and asked, "Where is Adolph now?"

"Peak Psychiatric Hospital."

Briana turned on the navigation and arrived at the entrance of Peak Psychiatric Hospital in less than an hour.

The hospital had sent someone to pick them up. After getting out of the car, the two followed the other party through twists and turns, and arrived in front of a standalone house.

"Mr. Yoder, Ms. Schneider, Adolph was in room 201. However, after a long flight, his mental state was extremely unstable. It was suggested that it would be better to communicate with him after his condition

had stabilized."

Briana nodded, "Okay, thank you."

After the staff left, Briana and Maxim went upstairs. Room 201 was right next to the stairs, and they quickly saw Adolph in room 201 through the window.

His appearance now was not much different from that in the video. His eyes lacked focus, drool was still dripping from the corner of his mouth, and his hair and clothes were messy. He was no different from a fool.

Maxim frowned, in this state, could he really get anything out of him?

After observing Adolph outside the window for a while, Briana whispered, "Were you planning to ask him any questions today?"

Maxim fell silent for two seconds, then said coldly, "Ask."

He had the nurse call the doctor over. his expression cold as he said, "I have a few questions for him."

"Mr. Yoder, the patient's condition was extremely unstable. He had just had an episode. It was not advisable to question him at that time."

Maxim didn't speak, he just stared at the doctor in front of him with his icy eyes, an aura of coldness enveloping him.

Not long after, the doctor couldn't hold on any longer and conceded, "I can agree, but I must be present during the questioning."

"Open the door."

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After the hospital room door was opened, Maxim and Briana walked in, followed by the doctor and two nurses.

Seeing so many people all at once, Adolph was clearly very nervous. He backed away, making "ah" "ah" sounds, his face full of resistance.

Maxim looked at him coldly, his voice icy to the extreme.

"Adolph, was the car accident involving Jayden and Grace related to you?!"

The names Jayden and Grace seemed to have struck a nerve with Adolph. He was screaming and flailing his arms, his face filled with fear.

"Ah! Ah! Go! Go! Scared.

There was not a shred of sympathy in Maxim's eyes as he continued to press, "After the car accident involving Jayden and Grace years ago, why did you hastily leave the country? Did you do something guilty?"

"No...ah...afraid..."

Saying this, Adolph began to bang his head against the wall, making a loud "bang bang" noise, as if he couldn't feel any pain at all.

The doctor's face changed instantly, he immediately stepped forward to grab Adolph, urgently saying, "Bring the sedative!"

The nurse moved quickly, administering a sedative to Adolph in less than a minute. Adolph's movements gradually lessened and he soon fell asleep with a calm expression.

The doctor looked at Maxim and said gravely, "Mr. Yoder, we can't stimulate Adolph any further today. Otherwise, we won't be able to get any information from him, and it might even worsen his condition."

Maxim's expression was icy, "Understood, keep a close eye on him, I'll come over again tomorrow."

"Mr. Yoder, as for Adolph's condition, it is estimated that it will take about a week to get it under control. We suggest you come back in a week, or you can wait for our notification."

Upon hearing this, Maxim furrowed his brows, "Can you hurry up? I don't have the patience to wait that long."

The doctor looked troubled, "This is already the fastest time possible. To be honest, I can't guarantee that Adolph will stabilize within a week."

Briana stepped forward, whispering, "What the doctor said is true. Because the emotions of a mentally ill person can fluctuate at any time, we don't know when they will stabilize."

Maxim pursed his lips, saying coldly, "Inform me immediately if there's any situation."

"Alright, Mr. Yoder."

The two left the mental hospital, and on the way back, Maxim remained silent.

Adolph had been found now, and from his reaction just now, Maxim was certain that he must have known something about what happened years ago. Otherwise, he wouldn't have been so emotional upon hearing the names of Jayden and Grace.

But now he had become a fool, and getting an answer out of him was as difficult as climbing to the sky.

Briana glanced at him, her expression indifferent as she said, "Don't hold too much hope for Adolph. After all, you've seen his current situation. It's hard to say whether he can recover or not."

"Um, I knew."

After a moment of silence, Briana slowly said, "Actually, besides asking Adolph, your uncle and aunt had enemies with whom your father was very aware of. Maybe if you ask him, he might know something."

Maxim's expression was icy, a flicker of irritation flashing in his eyes.

"Regarding the matter of my uncle and aunt, my father refused to reveal the slightest bit. I had tried to probe a few times."

"You could have revealed to him about Adolph's return."

Maxim turned to Briana, his voice low, "Are you doubting my father?"

Briana's expression was indifferent, "To be precise, I don't trust anyone. After all, we don't know what kind of grudges or grievances they have between them."

Maxim's hand, hanging at his side, suddenly tightened, his gaze becoming incredibly cold.

"You're right, maybe I should have had a good talk with my dad!"

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The two drove to the Yoder's house and happened to meet Reese who was planning to go out.

Upon seeing them, surprise flashed in Reese's eyes, and he

unconsciously hid the object in his hand behind his back.

Maxim and Briana both noticed his little trick, but they didn't expose

"Maxim, what brought you to the old house?"

Maxim nodded, looking at him with a faint expression, "Dad, I came today to tell you that I have already sent someone to bring Adolph back. He is now at Peak Psychiatric Hospital."

Reese's pupils contracted slightly, his smile somewhat forced, "So soon?"

"Um, if you wanted to see him, you could go anytime."

Reese nodded, "Alright, I understand. I have something to do later, so I won't keep you for dinner."

"Regarding who Uncle and Auntie might have offended in the past, if you remember, feel free to call me anytime."

Reese was about to speak when he suddenly saw a police car parked at the entrance of the villa, his face instantly turned extremely ugly.

Two police officers got out of the police car and walked over to the group of people.

"Mr. Reese, regarding the car accident involving Jayden and Grace six years ago, we have found new evidence. We need you to come with us to make a statement."

Maxim's eyes were icy cold, it seemed that Isaac had started to make a move on Reese.

Reese frowned, saying coldly, "New evidence has been found regarding my elder brother and sister– in– law's car accident. Why should I be the one to make the record? I was abroad when the accident happened. This matter has nothing to do with me!"

"You were the victim's brother, there were some things we needed to ask, could you please come with us?"

Finally, several people went to the police station together..

Reese came out after finishing the written record, his face noticeably upset.

Seeing Maxim, Briana and others at the police station entrance, he frowned, "Why haven't you left yet?"

Maxim's expression was indifferent, "What did the police just ask?"

Reese's face stiffened for a moment, then he angrily said, "Maxim, what kind of attitude is this? Do you also suspect that your uncle and aunt's car accident has something to do with me?!"

"I only believe in evidence, but your behavior was indeed very suspicious. Every time I asked you about my unele and aunt, you were always evasive, as if you had done something guilty."

"I knew nothing about this matter, don't come to ask me again in the future!"

After speaking, Reese stormed off in anger.

Watching his retreating figure, Briana pursed her lips. Reese's earlier display of anger and embarrassment clearly indicated that he was hiding something. She didn't believe him when he said he knew nothing.

The two returned to the villa, Briana looked at Maxim and said, "Regarding Adolph, I think we shouldn't hold out too much hope."

Judging from Adolph's performance today, he did not seem to be pretending to be crazy.

"Um, we're currently investigating the reason for his madness. Following this lead, we might be able to expose the puppet master behind the scenes."

Briana nodded, "Okay."

She was just about to get up to cook when the doorbell suddenly rang.

As soon as the door opened, Natalia fell to her knees in front of the two, "Mr. Yoder, Ms. Schneider, please spare the Ponce family! We had no idea that the old man wanted to harm you. If we had known, we would have definitely stopped him. Please, let the Ponce family off this time!"

Briana looked at her indifferently and said coldly, "Mrs. Ponce, we can't afford your grand gesture, please get up."

"Ms. Schneider, this was a decision made solely by the old man, and he paid the price for it. He's still lying in a hospital bed, and the rest of his money was taken by that wretch, Jennifer. If you still won't let the Ponce family be, bankruptcy.is the only path left for the Ponce family..."

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Natalia spoke with a voice choked with tears, as if Briana and Maxim were being unreasonable if they didn't bypass the Ponce family.

Briana's eyes turned cold, just about to speak, when Maxim suddenly said coldly, "You really know how to play your cards well. You come to us for mercy, your husband goes to Isaac for help, trying to please both sides. You should see if the Ponce family has such a big face!"

The expression on Natalia's face froze instantly, a flash of disbelief in her eyes.

How could Maxim have known?!

"I wouldn't let the Ponce family off the hook, and Isaac didn't have the ability to save the Ponce family either. Get lost before I lose my patience!"

Maxim's voice was as cold as ice, a chill rising from the soles of her feet. Natalia's body involuntarily shivered, unable to utter a single word.

"Bang!"

The villa's gate closed before her eyes, yet she dared not ring the doorbell again.

It seemed that the Ponce family was really finished. After Maxim resigned as the president of the Yoder Group, they all thought Maxim was weak and could be bullied. But they forgot that the Yoder Group had stood for so many years because of Maxim. Even if he was not the president of the Yoder Group, making some small families in Bridenville go bankrupt was as easy as crushing an ant!

Natalia returned to the Ponce family in a state of shock. As soon as she entered, Charles hurriedly approached her, "How did it go?! Did Maxim agree to spare the Ponce family?"

"Prepare the liquidation funds, apply for bankruptcy."

Maxim was unwilling to let go of the Ponce family, Isaac also refused to help the Ponce family, the Ponce family had no way out but death.

A look of disbelief flashed in Charles's eyes, he gritted his teeth and said, "No! I won't give up just like that. As long as I can get the villa and the company from the old man, the Ponce Group still has a chance to revive!"

At this point, a glint of malice flashed in Charles's eyes.

Since the old man refused to hand it over obediently, don't blame him for being ruthless!

Natalia looked at him as if he were a fool, and said, "All the old man's stuff was taken away by that bitch Jennifer!"

"What?! How is that possible?! Jennifer's baby is already gone, the old. man couldn't possibly have left the villa and the company to her!"

Natalia sneered, "When she was hanging around with the old man, he told her the safe's password. She went straight to empty the safe, and now she's already on the plane to Mekton. Even if we could

get it back, it's too late ... "

If the Ponce Group didn't receive the investment within the day, it would collapse like a row of falling dominoes.

Charles fell to the ground, unable to comprehend how the Ponce Group had gone bankrupt just because the old man had murderous intentions towards Briana.

By evening, news of the Ponce Group's bankruptcy had spread throughout Bridenville.

The first reaction most people had upon hearing the news was disbelief. After all, the Ponce Group had been doing well before, how could it suddenly declare bankruptcy?

Everyone hurried to inquire, and later found out that it was because they had offended Maxim, which made them feel even more surprised.

"Maxim is no longer the president of the Yoder Group now, how could he possibly bankrupt the Ponce Group with his own abilities?!"

"Helte, a starved camel is still bigger than a horse. Maxim has been in control of the Yoder Group for so many years, he must have built his own network of relationships. Wanting to take down the Ponce Group would be a piece of cake for him."

"Only the Ponce Group could be so foolish, truly thinking he was a toothless tiger, that they could manipulate and bully at will."

After learning about the bankruptcy of the Ponce Group, Isaac smashed several antiques in anger.

When Charles came to him for help, it wasn't that he didn't want to assist, but he realized he simply couldn't save the Ponce Group.

Even if he had invested in the Ponce Group, it would not have been possible for the Ponce Group to revive. Instead, it would have become a bottomless pit, requiring constant financial input. The day he could no longer afford to fill it, the Ponce Group would have collapsed just as it did today.

Every time Isaac thought about Maxim still being able to manipulate the business world after leaving the Yoder Group, a sense of crisis welled up in his heart.

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As I was pondering on how to get rid of Maxim, the office door was knocked.

The secretary walked in, her face somewhat solemn.

"Mr. Yoder, I just received news, Maxim brought Adolph back from abroad, he is now at Peak Psychiatric Hospital!"

That day, upon hearing Briana mention Adolph, Isaac had his men look into Adolph's whereabouts. Unexpectedly, Maxim had beaten them to it.

However, when Maxim found Adolph, he didn't believe it was to uncover the truth of the past, but rather to control Adolph, to prevent himself from finding evidence that Reese had ordered Adolph to kill his parents.

Whether Adolph was there or not, it didn't matter to him.

This scum, should also pay the price for what he has done!

"Send someone to kill Adolph, leave no trace."

The secretary lowered her head, "Yes!"

Seeing that the secretary hadn't left, Isaac frowned, "Is there anything else?"

The secretary nodded, "I investigated Mr. Liu, didn't find much, but I had someone set a trap. The evidence we got is enough to put Mr. Liu away."

A cold smirk played at the corner of Isaac's mouth, "Well done, hand those things over to the police, give them a push when the time is right, I don't want to see him at the Yoder Group again."

"Alright, Mr. Yoder."

After the secretary left, Isaac made a phone call.

"Boss, Maxim has already impacted our plan, I want to kill him."

Not knowing what was said over there, Isaac's face suddenly turned extremely ugly, and the hand holding the phone unconsciously tightened.

"You once promised me that you would avenge my parents, and that's why I agreed to work for you. Are you planning to go back on your word now?"

The other side didn't respond to Isaac's words and directly hung up the phone.

Isaac violently threw his phone on the ground, and the screen instantly shattered into pieces.

Clearly, his idea to kill Maxim was rejected by the latter.

Isaac took a deep breath to calm himself down. He still had to rely on the other party for now. Only after dealing with Reese and Maxim could he truly take control of the Yoder Group.

By then, gradually breaking away from the other's control was the best choice.

Not long after the Ponce family went bankrupt, the Yang family also lost several partnerships due to insufficient funds, which was not much different from bankruptcy.

These two families, at their most powerful, once had the potential to become second–rate families in Bridenville. Now, however, they can't even be considered third–rate, and are also burdened with debt.

Senior Mr. Ponce had a stroke out of anger upon hearing that his safe was emptied by Jennifer. He had to rely on servants for eating, drinking, and all his daily needs.

But because he had previously refused to give Charles the company and the villa when asked, Charles treated him very poorly.

Consequently, the servants also mistreated senior Mr. Ponce both openly and secretly. His days were unbearable, and his life was worse than death.

After the matter with the Ponce family and the Yang family was settled, Briana returned to work at MY Corporation, while Maxim went back to the Yoder Group.

News came from the hospital that Adolph's condition was becoming more and more stable, everything seemed to be moving in a positive direction.

However, just two days after Maxim returned to the Yoder Group, General Manager Liu was taken away by the police.

News of CEO Liu's illegal fundraising quickly spread throughout Bridenville, putting the Yoder Group once again in the eye of the

## storm.

Maxim quickly found out that it was Isaac who had exposed Mr. Liu's situation, and the so-called illegal fundraising was probably also designed by Isaac. Mr. Liu was a cautious and timid person, he didn't have the guts to do such a thing.

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Thinking of this, Maxim went straight to find Isaac.

"Was it you who did it to President Liu?"

Although it was a question, Maxim's tone was full of certainty. His icy gaze fell on Isaac like a sharp arrow, and the temperature in the office was rapidly dropping.

Isaac, chuckled, his eyes full of provocation. "So what if it was me? If you have evidence, you should be at the police station now, not standing in my office questioning me."

Maxim looked at him coldly, "Ever since you became the president of the Yoder Group, the stock price of the Yoder Group has been continuously falling. If this continues, the Yoder Group will eventually be ruined in your hands!"

Isaac's gaze also gradually cooled down, "Maxim, you have no right to say that to me. The Yoder Group was originally mine. You've only managed the Yoder Group for a few years, and you really think you're the owner of the Yoder Group?!"

"You were not worthy of this position at all!"

"It's not up to you to judge whether I'm worthy or not. If you have the guts, beat me in the next presidential election. However, with your 10% shares and the old lady's 30%, I'm afraid you don't stand a chance."

Maxim sneered, "Are you so sure that the remaining shareholders will vote for you?"

Isaac looked relaxed, speaking slowly and deliberately, "By then, the news of your parents killing my parents will spread all over the streets and alleys. Do you think any shareholders will still vote for you? If the president of the Yoder Group ascended to his position by stepping over the bodies of his own uncle and aunt. I'm afraid he would be boycotted by everyone, wouldn't he?"

Maxim didn't say anything else, he turned around and left directly.

He didn't return to his own office, instead he went to the police station.

After being interrogated by the police several times in the interrogation room, CEO Liu finally realized that he had been framed by Isaac.

The moment he saw Maxim, his expression became incredibly excited.

"Mr. Yoder, I was innocent, it was Isaac who framed me! He resented me for uniting several shareholders to force him to agree to let you return to the Yoder Group, so he came up with this vicious scheme to plot against me! Mr. Yoder, I did all this for you, you must save me!"

Maxim looked at him expressionlessly, saying coldly, "Mr. Liu, you're doing this for yourself, not for me."

A flicker of guilt flashed in CEO Liu's eyes, followed by an immediate denial, "Mr. Yoder, I don't understand what you mean!"

"Since Mr. Liu didn't understand, I think there was no need for us to continue the conversation."

After speaking, Maxim stood up and was about to leave.

Seeing this, General Manager Liu finally panicked and hurriedly said, "Mr. Yoder, I was blinded by greed at that time to dare to scheme against you. As long as you can save me, I will definitely regard you as my leader in the future, and I will never have second thoughts!"

"Really?" Maxim's tone was somewhat nonchalant.

"Really, I promise! Mr. Yoder, only you could save me now!"

Maxim fell silent for a few seconds, seemingly contemplating the credibility of Mr. Liu's words.

A full two minutes passed before Maxim looked at CEO Liu with an indifferent expression and said, "I won't save a person who is

worthless."

Mr. Liu's heartbeat was getting faster and faster, and he realized that Maxim had seen through his thoughts from the beginning. But now, apart from Maxim, no one could save him.

He gritted his teeth and said in a low voice, "Mr. Yoder, during my time at the company. I've secretly noted down some of Isaac's unreasonable decisions and his close dealings with the heads of certain companies. If you help me get out, I can give you the notebook."

Maxim chuckled lightly, seemingly mocking his overconfidence.

"You thought I couldn't find out about these things?"

Mr. Liu's face stiffened, then, as if making up his mind, he gritted his teeth and said, "There's one more thing, you definitely won't be able to find out!"

"What?"

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Mr. Liu smiled, "Mr. Yoder, if I told you about this matter now, would you still help me out?"

A glint of coldness flashed in Maxim's eyes, "You'd better not have lied to me, because I can get you out, but I can also get you back in!"

Mr. Liu's eyelids twitched, a bone-chilling coldness surged from the soles of his feet, and his body involuntarily shivered.

He knew very well, Maxim always kept his word.

"Rest assured, Mr. Yoder," I promised, "you will definitely not regret saving me."

The two reached an agreement, and Maxim left with his lawyer.

Stepping out of the police station, the lawyer couldn't help but frown, "Mr. Yoder, economic crimes can be big or small. President Liu's illegal fundraising amounts to hundreds of millions, which is considered a huge amount. It's probably going to be difficult to bail him out."

Maxim's expression was indifferent as he said coldly, "I know, you just need to do your job, I'll handle the rest."

After the lawyer left, Maxim dialed Rayan's number.

"Investigate the matter of CEO Liu's illegal fundraising, I want to know the ins and outs, find a way to expose him! If evidence can be found proving that Isaac did it, hand the evidence directly to the police."

After giving instructions on this matter, Maxim finally drove away.

Returning to the villa, Maxim was somewhat surprised to find six dishes and a soup laid out on the table.

"Did you leave work early today?"

Briana placed the bowl on the table, smiling as she said, "No, Madeline just finished filming recently and came over to hang out. She's been constantly followed by paparazzi lately, so it's inconvenient for her to eat out. So, we ordered food from a restaurant to be delivered

here."

"Where was she?"

As for Madeline, Maxim knew about her. After all, Brycen had almost fallen out with his family because of her. But somehow, Brycen never mentioned her again.

Briana pursed her lips, looking up at Maxim, "She went next door to invite Hector over for dinner."

While speaking, Briana was constantly observing Maxim's expression. Seeing him frown, she quickly said, "I originally wanted to refuse this, but today is her birthday. If you're not happy, should we go out to eat just the two of us?"

Maxim's expression was indifferent, "No need."

Coincidentally, he also planned to talk to Hector.

Before, he had asked Rayan to present the TV shows and movies he invested in for Hector to choose from, but he rejected them all. Clearly, he had no intention of repaying Briana's favor on his behalf.

But this favor, whether he wanted it or not, Maxim was determined to

return.

Seeing no signs of his anger, Briana finally breathed a sigh of relief,

planning to apologize to him properly and coax him a bit after Madeline and Hector had left.

Soon, Madeline and Hector walked into the villa together.

Madeline and Hector had collaborated on several projects recently and got along well, they had already become good friends.

Briana introduced Maxim to Madeline, after which they all sat down

to eat.

Because Madeline was there, the atmosphere wasn't particularly

awkward.

She had a discussion with Hector about their new play, then couldn't help but joke, "Now that your cast is off, when are you planning to join the crew? The director has been anxiously waiting for you. But which play did you get injured in? I remember reading the script of your previous play, and it didn't seem to have any scenes that required wire work."

Hector lowered his gaze, murmuring, "It was added at the last minute."

"Alright then."

No one noticed that when Madeline asked the question, Maxim's hand unconsciously tightened around his chopsticks.

Throughout the meal, aside from Madeline and Hector discussing the new film they were about to shoot, Briana and Maxim barely spoke.

Hector occasionally glanced at Briana, feigning nonchalance. She was -mostly just quietly eating her food and listening to their conversation,

occasionally serving Maxim some food.

A flash of loss flickered in his eyes, and an unconscious wave of pain washed over his heart.

He wished her happiness, but the person who gave her that happiness was not him.

After finishing his meal, he stood up and said goodbye.

Stepping out of the villa, a cold voice suddenly echoed from behind.