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Chapter 341 Weird Behavior

Many of the Faraday University students went outside of their classes when they heard the loud crashing sound, even some of the lecturers came out because of this.

Rex was dashing towards the crashing sound direction in a hurry,

Based on where the crashing sound came from, it definitely came from the garden.

It was where Delta is since the university has provided a place for mutated animals, so Rex is worried something might've happened to Ryze.

'Is it his brother that he speaks of?', Rex thought while running.

Since Ryze's mysterious brother has given a message to Ryze indicating that he will come for Ryze, it's a possibility that the brother was about to come here and rescue Ryze.

But while running, Rex looks to the side before he frowns, 'The sun is still up'

Rex saw the sunlight has already turned into orangish, the sun still needs a couple more hours to drown so it becomes unlikely for the mysterious brother to save Ryze at this time.

The university is filled with Awakened,

Ryze is not an Awakened so his brother most likely is not an Awakened too, breaking into Faraday University to take out Ryze will be an impossible feat, especially in the afternoon.

SWOOSH!

"What is that sound?"

"It came near the library, maybe someone's fighting"

Many chattering can be heard as Rex run past them heading towards the crashing sound.

It didn't take long before Rex arrived at the scene and saw that dust is covering the garden, this blocked his vision as he sniffs the air to located Ryze,

But what he enters his nose was the scent of blood which makes him even more worried.

"RYZE!", Rex called trying to locate Ryze.

Some of the onlookers are already taking cover, but there are some who already run into the garden to check what just happened.

When Rex was about to join,

"ARGHH!"

Rex suddenly saw a student flung away from the cloud of dust before hitting the university's wall.

BOOM!

The university's building cracked after the student crashed onto the wall, blood gushed out of his mouth before he slides down to the ground weakly.

It makes the other onlookers exclaim as they saw the student crash onto the wall.

But when Rex is looking at the unconscious student, he suddenly saw a person lying on the ground not far from the unconscious student before his eyes widen, "Ryze!"

Rex dashes towards Ryze who is lying on the ground,

He supported Ryze's head before he scan Ryze with the system, Ryze looks to be in a bad condition and Rex is worried that he's hurt internally.

<Scanning...>

<Internal bleeding has been detected due to impactful trauma, a bruise on the back of the head, and several broken bones are also detected>

Reading this, Rex immediately buys a rank-four healing stone.

He bought it for cheap, since Ryze is not an Awakened then the healing stone will become more effective so Rex didn't buy a higher rank healing stone.

A rank four healing stone is enough to do the job,

After buying the stone, Rex immediately takes it out from the inventory before he crushes it.

Green energy burst from the healing stone after Rex crushed the stone, Rex then guides the energy before he direct it into Ryze's body.

The healing stone proves to be effective when Rex saw Ryze move,

Ryze's eyes started to tremble as his wounds got healed by the healing stone, it didn't take long for him to open his eyes and blink a couple of times.

Looking at this, Rex felt relieved, "How are you feeling?"

"I- I feel okay", Ryze replied after realizing that his body already healed from the injuries.

Rex sigh as Ryze blink his eyes a couple of times and slowly wakes up,

BOOM!

BOOM!

The sound of a battle was happening inside the cloud of dust, it was starting to get clear as the dust started to get blown by the wind from the fight.

Rex stands up in confusion, 'It's Delta, What happened to her?'

"Delta... she's weird these last couple days", Ryze said meekly.

Hearing this, Rex glanced at him before Ryze added, "I try giving her favorite food, but she suddenly becomes angry and snapped attacking what crosses her sight.

Upon hearing this, Rex looks back to the battle and finally saw Delta.

ROAR!!

Delta is baring her fangs as she glares at the people around her with hostility, there are two people that are trying to subdue her which are a lecturer and a woman that makes Rex frown.

"Who pissed her off? At this rate, we'll have to force her to submission"

The woman looks at the lecturer before she instantly denied his suggestion, "No! She's Rex's, just try to tire her out for a bit longer"

But then suddenly,

PSSHH!

White steam started to appear around Delta's body as she activates her white force.

"You're saying we can't use force to that?! Who are you anyway?", the lecturer said while pointing at Delta who got stronger because of the white force.

The woman then replied, "Are you seriously asking that right now?!"

ROAR!!

Delta leaped towards them angrily opening her jaws wide, the onlookers were frigthened by Delta's aura that boasts her rank five prowess.

Looking at this, the lecturer and the woman went into their stances.

But before Delta can reach them,

BAM!

Rex suddenly appeared from the back and grabs Delta's head forcing her mouth to close, he wrapped his arms around Delta's mouth stopping her leaping momentum.

"Delta! What's wrong?", Rex said while trying to hold her back.

After realizing that Rex has arrived at the scene, both the lecturer and the woman felt the burden left their chests since the owner of Delta is here.

Seeing Rex is holding her, Delta growls as she tries to push Rex back.

Rex was pushed by Delta slowly as lines on the ground were left because of getting pushed back, it makes Rex frown since she's not calming down.

Gritting his teeth, Rex then activates his red force, "Stop it!"

CRACK!

The ground cracked after Rex planet his feet on the ground stopping Delta's momentum, he was power struggling against Delta before he finally had enough.

"I said that's enough!"

BOOM!

Rex's eyes glisten fiercely with black lightning making Delta backs up whimpering,

His eyes are looking at Delta coldly making Delta lower her body in front of Rex submissively, it even surprises the onlookers since Delta looks very angry before but now she becomes meek.

'What's wrong with her, Does she feel restrained in here?', Rex thought with a frown.

Rex was thinking while looking at Delta whimpering, but he suddenly felt something crawling on his throat like a tidal of water, "Huaakh!"

Blood suddenly gushed out as Rex covered his mouth with his hand,

'What the? How did this happen?', Rex thought as he look at the blood in his hand.

Rex doesn't feel anything a couple of seconds ago, but then suddenly the blood came out of nowhere and gushed out of his mouth.

It caught him off guard as he covers his mouth, 'It seems the attack from Sebrof toll my body'

"Rex! What happened!", a feminine voice called out from the back.

Upon hearing this voice, Rex is slightly surprised since the voice sounds so familiar.

He turns to his back to see the woman before his eyes widen in surprise,

Rex turns out really does know the woman in front of him, the black and blue tree roots tattoo on the side of her face makes it hard for Rex to mistake her, "Liliya?", Rex said in confusion.

Without even minding Rex's remark, Liliya asks again, "Are you okay?"

"I'm alright, I don't know how this happened", Rex replied with a wry smile.

The students' onlookers look at them with a sigh feeling relieved that the incident is over, some of them were a bit worried for a second that Delta will actually go berserk.

It can turn out very badly if that were to happen,

Rex got reminded by the lecturers to control Delta, if this accident happens again then the university will put a shackle on Delta to avoid this kind of situation again.

He apologized on Delta's behalf to the lecturer and the onlookers.

After Delta has calmed down, the others dispersed as they went back to their activities.

Liliya who waited on the side then approached him, "The last time I saw her, she's very obedient to you so what happened?"

"I also don't know, I was told that she's acting weird lately", Rex replied while looking at Delta.

Delta is still rooted on her spot unmoving,

Rex is frowning before he shakes his head and looks at Liliya, "Enough about her, What are you doing here? Shouldn't you prepare for the mission tomorrow?"

"Mission? What mission?", Liliya asks in confusion.

She then added, "Since the statements that we're doing has gone well, and the news is filled with people supporting our alliance. I thought that I'll visit you today"

Hearing this, Rex face-palm his face, 'I forgot to contact the SCO'

Because of reading the information about Death Energy of the Undead, Rex forgot to contact the Green Messenger to tell him about the mission tomorrow and Sebrof's decision to create an agreement with the King.

"The UWO has accepted the temporary alliance, I was about to contact the SCO", Rex said.

Liliya's eyes lit up upon hearing the good news from Rex's mouth,

Rex then proceeds to tell Liliya about Sebrof wanting to talk with the King about the alliance and also the request made from the UWO to help wipe the Undead army in Eqosa City.

Hearing this, Liliya frowns as the mission is tomorrow or the day after tomorrow.

"Don't worry, I'll relay the message to the Green Messenger right now", Liliya said as she activates some sort of energy before Rex saw a crow flying towards them.

After the crow landed on Liliya's shoulder, its eyes then turn green,

Turns out the crow got connected to the Green Messenger similar to the crow the Green Messenger gives to Rex, he then also tells the Green Messenger about the situation.

"I will tell the King about this great news", the Green Messenger said.

There is a hint of excitement in the Green Messenger's usually stoic and lazy tone, it's a big deal to band with the UWO since the SCO will gain many organizational benefits.

And the Green Messenger definitely aimed these benefits,

"As for the mission", the Green Messenger said before he think for a moment.

He then added, "We can't send all of the messenger's team since some have their own agendas, but we'll send enough", the Green Messenger continues.

The answer worries Rex for a moment,

Rex then added, "I believe it'll be better to match the UWO's number, they have about five dozen descendants sent to the mission so a close number to that will be good for the alliance"

Although Rex believes that the Green Messenger will honor the alliance,

He just can't help but say something about this, at least to make sure that nothing will go wrong with the alliance until the UWO and SCO destroy the Supernatural Strongholds.

The Green Messenger heard what Rex said before the crow flapped its wings away,

Liliya then looks at Rex excitedly as she said, "In just a bit the black hand will be welcomed in Ratmawati City, aren't you excited?!"

"Of course", Rex replied with a smile.

But then suddenly, Rex sensed Delta moved from her spot nearing the blood that he vomited earlier. Rex thought that it was because of Sebrof's leftover energy from before.

It was weird, but that's the most likely reason to explain the sudden urge to vomit blood.

Delta crawls with a low stand before she started to lick the blood on the ground, and this makes Rex frown in confusion, "What is she doing?", Liliya asks also confused.

This is not the behavior of a mutated wolf-like Delta, it's a bit absurd.

She licks the blood off of the ground cleanly, and she even searches the surroundings to find more.

When Rex was about to check on Delta to try and figured out what she wants,

"Rex!", A voice called out from the back.

Rex already realized that it's Adhara since he already sensed that she's close before, he turns around to see Adhara before Adhara continues, "What happened here?", she asks.

There are claw marks on the ground and she even saw the wall on her right cracked.

"And Who is she?", Adhara added as her eyes landed on Liliya, she had never seen her before and this makes her glare at Rex since many women started to appear out of nowhere around Rex.

Seeing this, Liliya grasp the situation instantly, "Oh, Hello! I'm Liliya, Rex's friend"

"A friend from the military?", Adhara asks seeing the friendly smile on Liliya's face, she has a completely different vibe from Evelyn which makes Adhara relieved.

Hearing this, Liliya glanced at Rex before he replied, "Something like that"

Since they're out in the open, Rex was not going to say out loud that Liliya is a friend from the SCO and notify the others that he's also a part of the SCO.

But Rex glance at Liliya who is smiling brightly, 'She's very different from the last time'

The bright smile and confident posture that Rex saw on Liliya was not the same as the last time he met her, it's almost she turned into a completely new person.

Adhara exchange pleasentaries with Liliya before she looks at Rex.

"I need to prepare, so I'm going now. See you later, Rex, Adhara", Liliya bids goodbye.

The mission will be held shortly and she also needs to prepare alongside the other messenger teams, so she intends to leave after bidding goodbye.

Liliya suddenly stopped in her tracks, her movement stop when she saw Rex's face.

Seeing this, Rex is confused as to why Liliya is looking at his face like that when she just bid her goodbye and intends to leave.

She then said with a hint of worry in her tone, "Rex, Are you sure you're okay?"

"Why do you ask?", Rex replied nonchalantly.

Adhara also glances at Rex before she also frowns weirdly after looking at Rex's face.

Liliya points at Rex before she said with a frown, "Your nose, it's bleeding"

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"Your nose, it's bleeding", Liliya said while pointing at Rex.

Hearing this, Rex's body froze before he touch his nose to only find that his nose is bleeding.

Rex looks at his hand that has his blood on it before his eyes widen in surprise,

In a blink of an eye, Rex's body becomes tense and his expression turns dead serious catching Liliya and Adhara off guard since his whole vibe turns from relaxed to alert instantly.

BOOM!

Without thinking much, Rex activates his black lightning, spirit, and red force.

The powerful shockwave blasted from Rex's body pushing Liliya and Adhara back, even Delta who is right beside Rex got thrown away because of how powerful the shockwave was.

Rex instantly uses his full power as he glances at the surroundings warily,

Black lightning started blitzing around his body chaotically as his spirit energy amplified the black lightning making the people in his surroundings feel their element suppressed, red steaming energy also envelopes his entire body just above the skin.

Adhara and Liliya can feel a stabbing feeling on their bodies because of Rex's red force.

It was akin to getting their insides stabbed by somekind of a needle, the feeling is suffocating and prickly as the both of them stopped their body from being pushed back by the shockwave.

"Rex?!", Adhara shouted as she covers her face with her arms to protect from Rex's energy.

Liliya on the side also decisively creates a red barrier around her, Delta, and Adhara, she was also confused as to why Rex suddenly becomes alert.

They even saw Rex is gripping the Ameurus Katana tightly as if he was about to fight.

'Is she here?!', Rex thought while eyeing the surrounding.

The last time when his nose bleed is back when he becomes a Scavenger in the Supernatural Territory with Liliya, His nose bleed is because of his Eternal Curse the Female Vampire is near, Calidora.

She was accompanied by two Royal Guards, and her strength is not to be underestimated.

Although Rex has only met with Calidora two times, the increase in strength of Calidora almost matches Rex's speed and her eyes are the most troublesome out of all of her abilities.

So this makes Rex very alert since this is exactly like last time,

'This is the human territory, how did she get here? There's no way she will dare step this deep inside the human territory expecting to survive', Rex thought still ready with his katana.

But even after putting his sense to the max, Rex doesn't sense any Supernatural around.

Rex only saw the surprised look of the people around him upon seeing him become like this, he was already in his full power ready to fight at any moment.

He even unconsciously activates his Alpha Bearing suppressing the people around him.

"Rex stop!", Liliya shouted feeling her strength got zapped by something, she remembers Rex using this skill to the group of dark monkeys during their time as a Scavenger.

Hearing this, Rex snapped out of his caution before he retracts back his aura.

Some of the students around him fall to their knees after getting affected by Rex's Alpha Bearing skill, their chests are heaving up and down because of the suppression.

Rex straighten his back after realizing what he's done,

After he retracts back his aura, the others finally can breathe normally as Adhara approached him, "What is wrong with you? Why did you suddenly do that?", she asks feeling a bit angry and confused.

It happened suddenly, Rex went into his battle mode surprising the others.

This is the first time she ever felt being under Rex's Alpha Bearing skill,

Because Rex turns alert after thinking that Calidora might've been near, he even unconsciously uses the Alpha Bearing skill to everyone around him. He forgets to exclude Adhara from the skill or even anyone to be exact.

'Yeah, there's just no chance Calidora to be here', Rex thought as he lowers his guard.

The nose bleeds just caught him off guard, that's all.

This might've happened because of Sebrof Energy just like vomiting blood before, it can't be because of Calidora since they're in the heart of Ratmawati City.

But it still makes Rex cautious since Calidora told him that they will meet soon.

With a frown, Rex looks around one last time before he said, "I'm sorry"

"Did you feel someone will attack you or something?", Liliya said as she also approach Rex.

There is a disbelief look on her face after feeling Rex's power, it certainly increases since his force even raised to red color from the yellow color.

Deep down she was quite surprised by Rex's progression,

Hearing this, Rex glanced at Liliya as he thought, 'The last time, she's unconscious. So she doesn't know why I become alert like that'

It was Vanessa that told him that his nose is bleeding last time,

Liliya is unconscious because Rex knocked her out to avoid her from seeing his Supernatural aura, she's still knocked out even when Calidora met with Rex so she doesn't know.

With a guilty smile, Rex then shakes his head, "It's nothing, I don't know where that came from"

Both Liliya and Adhara look at Rex suspiciously, what Rex said is definitely an excuse but they finally let Rex go from the topic.

After suspiciously looking at Rex, Liliya finally bid her goodbye and left.

Rex was left with Adhara before his eyes landed on Delta who is not far from them, Rex looks to his back before he saw Ryze hiding behind a concrete park chair before he signals for Ryze to come here.

"So, What happened to Delta?", Adhara asks after noticing Rex is looking at Delta.

Delta is lying on the ground submissively, especially after getting knocked by Rex's energy shockwave, she's eyeing them from the side but averted her gaze when Rex looks at her.

Rex then explains everything to Adhara about Delta acting weirdly,

Hearing this, Adhara also frowns since Delta is very docile to them and very obedient to Rex so this kind of incident happening is surely weird.

She then glances at Ryze and asks, "When did she start being like this?"

"It started a while back a day before the four of you came back, Delta suddenly becomes excited in the middle of the night so the security asks me to check on her. T-Then, her excitement started to become too much before she finally snap", Ryze explain with his innocent look. Rex and Adhara listened to this attentively with a frown,

'A day after we came back? Does he mean after we met with Ana Delarosa?', Rex thought.

But even after thinking for a moment, Rex still doesn't get why Delta suddenly becomes like this, "Did you notice anything else? Maybe someone angers her"

"I-I don't know...", Ryze replied meekly after recalling the last couple of days.

With a sigh, Rex decided to approach Delta followed by Adhara and Ryze although hesitantly on the back since Delta just snap a moment ago.

Rex squat in front of Delta before he rubs her head gently,

Delta growls lightly feeling Rex is rubbing her head, she looks to be enjoying it before suddenly her eyes lit up when she saw Adhara.

"Waahh!"

Adhara exclaimed when Delta suddenly jumped at her and push her to the ground.

Rex and Ryze panic for a moment before they sigh when they saw Delta is licking Adhara repeatedly, this caught Adhara off guard since this never happened before.

She never even have this kind of close relationship with Delta,

"Rex-- Help!-- Get her off of me!", Adhara pleaded while being licked by Delta.

Seeing this, Ryze chuckles for a bit seeing Adhara's helpless expression under Delta who kept licking and only leaving sticky saliva on her face.

Rex shakes his head and pulls Delta's head,

But Rex looks back at Delta when Delta freed herself, she's growling lightly towards Rex.

Looking at this, Rex frown since he can feel that Delta is trying to tell him something as her muzzle repeatedly went back from him to Adhara a couple of times.

Even so, Rex still doesn't get it, "What are you trying to say?"

"Do you want me to get rid of Adhara?", Rex added before getting slapped on the head by Adhara.

Rex rubs his head that got slapped as Adhara looks at him in disbelief, he then said, "Delta is pointing at your neck, What else should I think?"

"I think she's pointing at my rune", Adhara mumbles while looking at Delta.

Hearing this, Rex rubs his chin for a moment before he shakes his head, "I don't think so, Why would she point at your rune", Rex said before he finally puts Delta back in the mutated animals' place.

Delta is growling a couple of times to Rex but Rex ignored her,

She even tries to go back to Adhara but Rex stopped her and command her to get inside the place, he needs to do something and he didn't have the time to deal with Delta for now.

"Let's go back, you come back too Ryze", Rex instructed.

Ryze was looking at the mutated animals' place before suddenly Delta howls, but the howls have a hint of desperation in them and Ryze can hear this clearly.

It's rare to find Delta howling but Ryze saw it a couple of times, and it's definitely when she's sad.

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Later, that same day,

During the afternoon and even until the day turns dark, Rex is reading the information he bought from the Undead and their Death Energy.

He needs to prepare a couple of things for the mission,

The situation is not clear whether the mission will start tomorrow or the day after tomorrow, but in case the mission will start tomorrow, Rex will need to finish his preparation today.

Adhara got inside the room and saw a couple of items on the ground,

Rex is tidying the items on the ground while thinking before he noticed Adhara enters the room, there are many kinds of things in front of Rex but many of them are vials.

Looking at this, Adhara asks curiously, "What is this?"

"I'm preparing for the mission, I really don't want to be a slave of the UWO for years if one of the descendants under me dies", Rex replied before focusing back on the items in front of him.

He then takes out a brown skull before he puts it upside down in front of him,

Adhara sits on the edge of the bed feeling curious about what Rex is doing, he even takes many items out of thin air as if he has an invisible pocket.

<Purchased Purifying Field Bomb creation guide for 10,000 Gold>

After preparing a couple of items, Rex crack his knuckle and started to work,

Rex started the process by putting a clear white flower that has a contrasting dark aura surrounding the petals inside the brown skull, he then proceeds to pour three vials that contain the brown liquid in them before he started to crush the white flower with a spoon that he got from the butler.

He mixed the ingredients and follows the instruction from the system exactly,

It takes about fifteen minutes before suddenly the mixed liquid inside the brown bowl started to glow with a darkish grey color, Adhara can feel an even stronger death property from the liquid.

But Rex didn't stop there,

Rex also buy a rune from the system's shop before the rune appeared on his palm,

After putting the darkish grey color liquid into an empty vial, he then engraved the rune on the vial before he raised the vial in front of his eyes,

Flick!

With a flick from Rex's finger, the rune glow before the liquid turns colorless.

This caught Adhara in surprise since the liquid should be darkish grey, but after Rex flicked it the rune glowed as the liquid instantly turns colorless.

Rex did this process a couple of times before three colorless vial lines neatly beside him.

"What are you making?", Adhara asks from the side.

Hearing this, Rex glanced to Adhara before he tidied the mess he made and explains, "I'm making a counter to the death energy embedded on the ground near Eqosa City, it should nullify the death energy so the Undead will not be at an advantage"

"Isn't the UWO have that kind of vial? I forgot what it's called", Adhara replied.

Rex shrugs his shoulders as he said, "I don't know what the UWO have, but this one is called Purifying Field Bomb. The items needed to make this is very rare, so I can't make much"

Adhara nodded her head before her eyes landed on a sword,

"Is that a Silver Sword?", she asks while pointing at the whitish sword in front of Rex.

Rex nodded his head as he picks up the sword, "I cover the handle so the Silver doesn't directly touch my skin, this will make it easier to fight the Undead", he said.

After saying that, Rex started to clean his mess,

But seeing Rex's sloppy cleaning Adhara becomes annoyed since he didn't clean it properly, after having enough of it she finally said, "You do remember that there are maids right?"

"It's not much, I can clean it", Rex replied nonchalantly.

Adhara looks at Rex with annoyance until finally, "Just let me clean it, step aside!"

"Okay?", Rex mumbles in confusion, he doesn't know why Adhara has an annoyed expression.

While Adhara is cleaning the leftover from before, she suddenly remembered and asks, "Have you visited Kyran? Where is he right now?"

"Kyran is in a hospital, I haven't visited him so can you go tomorrow?", Rex said.

Edward told Rex before that he was forced to bring Kyran to the hospital,

At first, Rex was confused since Kyran doesn't need to be brought to a hospital since he's a Werewolf. All he needs is the moonlight and his wounds should've healed by themselves.

But Edward told Rex that he uses silver to beat Kyran to submission.

This explains how Edward was able to survive with just a few scratches, turns out he's using silver.

Hearing this, Adhara nodded her head.

After finishing her cleaning,

"I'm going to start making a batch for Daniel", Adhara said but she suddenly saw Rex is changing his clothes, she was confused at first but then she realized why.

Rex put on a black T-shirt and black pants coupled with black shoes.

It should be weird for someone to wear all black at the night but knowing where he's about to go, Adhara finds it normal to wear these kinds of clothes.

"Alright I'm going to leave for a bit", Rex said.

Adhara looks at Rex's huge frame from the back, he even straps his Amuerus Katana on his back.

This is a new look for Rex as Adhara replied, "Do you really have to do this? You might get caught if you're careless with this, especially this will be used by the Atkins if you're caught"

"Don't worry, I'm just going to visit the Platchi", Rex said lightly.

But from the evil expression on Rex's face, Adhara is sure that he's not just going to visit.

With a sigh, Adhara then finally said helplessly, "I pity them so can you please not do anything rash? At least don't just kill him and leave"

"We'll see about that"

Chapter 343 Good Mood

Rex left the Faraday University grounds with his all-black clothes,

Even the security that is guarding the entrance of the university was surprised, they thought Rex is a criminal of some sort since the dim night shadowed his face and his all-black outfit.

With his huge muscular frame, it's normal if the security thought that he's not a student.

In the Faraday University, there are no students that even come close to Rex's size even the older ones still lacking in the muscular frame part.

Rex is the biggest guy there is,

Maybe Edward is one of the few that don't look small beside Rex.

When Rex steps closer to the entrance, the security sigh in relief when they saw Rex's face.

There's no one in the Faraday University that doesn't know who Rex is, he's practically the strongest student not only in Faraday University but also other universities.

He has proven that, so everybody here knows him.

Rex walks through the street that still has many people around,

The straight posture with his arms on his side powerfully gives him a more dominant and intimidating presence to anyone that lays their eyes on him, but he didn't care.

All of the people that pass him also instantly know that he's an Awakened.

Since the Amuerus Katana is strapped behind him, it becomes obvious that he's an Awakened.

They all give a polite smile with a bow whenever they pass Rex, but Rex is wearing a hat so his face can't get seen since it'll be troublesome if everyone notices that he's Rex Silverstar.

'I can just use the same item that Adhara uses to go to the Asylum, but I don't wanna', Rex thought.

He will need to rub the lotion on his face in order to morph his face to play it safe, but he can't be bothered to put on lotion on his face.

But he decided to just buy it in case he changed his mind while on his way.

Rex buys the lotion that Adhara use to go to the Asylum but then suddenly, a notification from the system makes him widen his eyes as he instantly erases the thought of using that lotion.

The notification gave Rex goosebumps as he shakes his head putting his thought away.

While walking on the side of the street with steady steps,

Many of the people around was wondering if Rex is uncomfortable walking like that,

Since Rex's body is very straight like an arrow because of the military, his walking posture looks to be tiring and uncomfortable but Rex is already used to this kind of posture.

'Hmm?', Rex stops on his track suddenly, but when he sniffs the air a smile appears on his face.

The smile comes before he sighs while looking up at the clear dark sky.

Moonlight is shining onto his face gently giving a pleasant feeling as he closes his eyes,

If Rex was to be asked what is the best thing about being a Werewolf, he will definitely say bathing under the moonlight. It feels so damn good.

Think of it like getting a massage in the salon,

That is exactly what Rex or even any Werewolves felt if they stand under the moonlight, the difference from the regular massage is that the moon is using an invisible hand.

Massaging every part that got exposed to the moonlight,

After taking a brief pause under the moon, Rex started to walk again heading towards the Platchi.

Rex arrived at the four-way crossroads where the red traffic light makes the cars stop, he takes a left after arriving at the corner while pulling his black hat down and lowering his gaze.

But then suddenly,

A figure appears and peeks from the corner, it seems the figure is following Rex.

The figure also wears identical black clothes and also a black hat but the figure is also wearing a black face mask, the figure peeked on the corner cautiously but the figure's eyes widen when the figure doesn't find Rex anywhere.

With light steps, the figure steps out from the corner in confusion.

Rex is just like a ghost in the night that disappear into thin air, this makes the figure looks around trying to find Rex but the figure can't find him anywhere. He is already gone.

Only other people can be seen walking around her, there's no sign of Rex.

"Where is he?", the figure mumbles.

But then suddenly, "Looking for me?", the figure's eyes darted to the right when the figure heard a voice from the back that gives the figure goosebumps.

Rex is already on the figure's back with his eyes blitzing with lightning,

There is even an evil smirk on his face, the figure can't see it but the figure can feel the animosity.

Pushing the figure on the wall beside him roughly, Rex puts his hand below the figure's neck pinning the figure to the wall with a devious expression.

There is a malicious intent that came out of Rex's body,

It was akin to meeting a predator in the jungle where you don't bring any weapon, terrifying.

His eyes then flash with ferocity as Rex pulls back his arms, the smirk on his face turns into a grin making the figure's eyes widen in fright before suddenly, "STOP! STOP! IT'S ME!!"

A female voice escapes the black mask halting Rex's arm,

The figure pulls down the black mask exposing her face, it was Evelyn who smiles wryly with a pale expression since she was almost got a heart attack when Rex pulls back his arm.

She knows how strong Rex is, and one punch from him will mean broken bones at least.

Evelyn is holding her hands up, she was not about to take the punch.

Seeing this, Rex's mouth wobble from stoic and a smile.

It's as if he's trying to hold back his laughter, but Evelyn thought that Rex laughing is impossible.

But after inspecting Rex's expression,

Evelyn noticed that Rex is really holding back his laughter, it makes her frown as she didn't get why Rex wants to laugh, "I-Is there something funny?", she asks with an innocent expression.

But upon seeing her innocent, pale, and confused expression.

Rex burst into laughter while holding his stomach, this caught Evelyn off guard as her body froze seeing Rex laughing as if he just heard the funniest joke in his life.

It went on for a couple of minutes that even Rex falls to his knees while holding his stomach.

Many onlookers also look at Rex and Evelyn weirdly especially since the one that's laughing is Rex while Evelyn is standing stiffly with her back on the wall.

"You- You...", Rex was trying to say something but it's hard to do it while laughing.

After collecting himself enough, he then said, "You should've seen your face"

Hearing this, Evelyn is looking at Rex aghast since she was still confused but then suddenly her eyes widen in realization as she started to get annoyed.

Evelyn pushes her lower lips into a sulky pout, "You know it's me?"

"Are you serious? For a somewhat smart woman you do dumb things sometimes", Rex replied.

Evelyn opened her mouth wide as she looks at her in disbelief, she then rebutted, "Somewhat smart woman? I am smart!", she declared that even makes the onlookers chuckle seeing her declaration and Rex laughing on the ground.

This makes her expression darken as she started to feel embarrassed,

Rex stands up after laughing to his heart's content before Evelyn said in annoyance, "You seem to be in a good mood, I don't like this you should just act like usual!"

"You're just mad realizing that you just did something dumb", Rex replied with a mocking smile.

For Evelyn to sneak on Rex even after she knows that he is a Werewolf, it's almost comical that Rex has never thought Evelyn would be doing such dumb things.

That is what makes it funny for him because it's Evelyn.

Evelyn clenched her fist while biting her lips angrily, she hates to think about it especially when she also realized that was a stupid move of her.

"Anyway, What are you doing here?", Rex asks while wiping his tears.

With a rough exhale, Evelyn then replied, "I saw the look on your face when you're looking at Maurice, It's definitely a look for trouble"

Rex rubs his chin while squinting his eyes,

"But still, How do you know it's me?", Rex asks since he feels that he put enough effort to hide his identity by wearing these all-black clothes and a hat.

Hearing this, Evelyn chuckles giving Rex a mocking look which makes Rex annoyed in turn.

"Are you kidding? Who else would have this kind of physique and come out of Faraday University, at least make it look as if you're trying", she said making Rex looks down at his outfit.

Evelyn then added, "The 25 Families will definitely recognize you"

"Are you Rex Silverstar?", a teen boy not older than 18 suddenly approaches them.

Rex's body froze upon hearing the teen call his name, he looks at Evelyn and finds a mocking grin on her face as he forces a smile to the teen.

Seeing Rex's face, the teenage boy's eyes lit up as he said, "Can I take a picture with you?"

"I'm sorry but maybe next time, I am in a disguise as yo-", Rex replied with a wry smile.

But before he can finish, "Of course, take your phone and take a selfie with him. Rex is a great guy, so he doesn't mind taking a selfie with you"

"Really?! Alright!", the teenage boy takes out his phone and poses with Rex on the back.

The teenage boy's smile was so wide since he's a fan of Rex, while Rex on the other side is also neutralizing his expression and letting the teenage boy take a selfie.

But after the selfie and the boy left, Rex glared at Evelyn, "It's payback for pranking me"

'Is it really that bad?', Rex thought as he look at his outfit.

Rex sigh as puts his hands on his waist, there's a troubled look on his face which makes Evelyn curious, "What are you thinking? Don't just ignore me"

"I have something to hide my face, but I don't want to use it", Rex said.

This makes Evelyn looks at him in disbelief since it's not logical no matter how she thought of it, If Rex has something to hide better then why not just use it as a precaution.

"Are you dumb? Just use it or you'll get into trouble", Evelyn replied in disbelief.

But Rex is still reluctant and it's clearly seen on his face,

Stretching her hand upside down, Evelyn then said, "Just show me the thing that can hide your face, what possible item that can make you reluctant to use it"

A moment later,

"Pffft!", Evelyn holds back her laughter while tending to Rex.

Both of them are currently in a public women's bathroom, Rex is standing in front of the mirror while Evelyn is doing something on Rex's face.

Seeing Evelyn's annoying expression, Rex then said, "This is exactly why"

Evelyn is now using eyebrow pencil on Rex's eyebrows while holding back her laughter, she was having the time of her life as Rex helplessly stands in front of the mirror while letting Evelyn does many kinds of thing to his face.

The item that Adhara uses is cheap and can change anyone's face for a time period,

It's a perfect item for sabotaging or even infiltrating places without having to worry to expose your identity, but there's one side of that item that makes Rex reluctant.

The item is not effective to Black Lightning Elementalist,

Black Lightning Elementalist has hostile mana and disturbance properties which will render the lotion useless, Rex can't use it because of that.

The system said that he can use it by using enhancements,

Rex finds this when he bought the item before, and the system suddenly popped a notification saying that the item can't be used on the user without enhancement.

The system told Rex after he bought it which makes Rex annoyed,

If he knew then he won't buy the lotion, but now the lotion was used anyway.

Because the lotion was not effective to Black Lightning Elementalist, enhancements should be made after applying the lotion to his face.

And the enhancements were in the shape of all kinds of beauty products,

"It's not that bad, you know many men use makeup and this kind of product nowadays", Evelyn said.

But this makes Rex turns his head towards Evelyn with a pissed-off expression with his left eyebrows bent different from the right, "Do I look like that kind of man?", he said grinding his teeth.

Seeing this, Evelyn chuckle before she takes another tool.

It was a blackhead remover tool,

Evelyn just finished changing the way Rex's eyebrows and now she will change his nose, she waves the blackhead remover in front of Rex playfully before she poked it on Rex's nose excitedly.

A couple of minutes later,

Rex looks at the mirror to see how his face turns out.

He puts his hands on the sink before his hands suddenly crushed the sink as he turns to Evelyn, Rex then points at his face and said angrily, "Are you serious?! Is this even a person's face?"

"It's my first time!", Evelyn defended as she hold Rex's face and turns it left and right.

After inspecting Rex's face, Evelyn then nodded her head with a proud look, "It turns out better than I expected", she said which makes Rex's jaw drop.

"My fucking nose is bent to the left, each side of my mouth was not symmetrical, and look at my eyes! I look like a freaking frog!", Rex complained while pointing at the mirror.

Hearing this, Evelyn turns serious, "How dare you insult frogs by comparing your face"

PSHHH!!

Red steaming vapor started to envelop Rex's body as he looks at Evelyn with hostility, he even clenched his hand into a fist.

"I'M JOKING!!", Evelyn shouted in a panic.

After calming Rex down, Evelyn suddenly takes the blackhead remover again before she said excitedly with brimming eyes, "Round 2? It'll surely turn out better"

"No!", Rex denied immediately.

But Evelyn stuck her body closer while pleading to Rex for round two, but Rex tries to push her away but she kept pleading before suddenly.

"That's enough!"

Rex suddenly said before his eyes widen,

Because of trying to push Evelyn away, Rex suddenly finds himself in a spot where he's pinning one of Evelyn's arms on the wall making them close.

If Rex moves forward a bit, his body will definitely touch Evelyn's.

The atmosphere becomes strangely intense as Evelyn and Rex lock their eyes, they both were surprised at how close their face is. Only a couple of inches away.

Rex saw how Evelyn's face started to turn red as she lower her gaze,

Strangely to Rex, he finds it surprising to find Evelyn being embarrassed in this kind of situation when she has even indirectly asked Rex to do intimate things with her.

Her black hat falls to the ground exposing her red hair that is tied into a ponytail.

Everything that Evelyn does, Rex catches it all starting from how her face turns red and even the harsh swallowing that she does for a couple of times.

'This situation is dangerous...', Rex thought wanting to pull away.

But his body was not listening to his head as his hand suddenly moves on its own,

Evelyn can just slip away since Rex only held one of her arms, but she also finds that her body is not listening to herself making her rooted on her spot.

Just like Rex, she also finds the situation is dangerous. Very, dangerous.

Rex's hand moves on its own, he held Evelyn's chin before bringing her face up forcing her to look at Rex's face again. Her face becomes even more scarlet trying to avert Rex's gaze,

The look that she's wearing and her trying to avert Rex's gaze,

He doesn't know why, but somehow Rex finds this side of Evelyn somewhat attractive.

Attractive in its own way,

Rex turns her chin towards him again forcing Evelyn to look at him, his eyes are unmoving from Evelyn's eyes which makes Evelyn's heart thump harder like a battle drum.

But her body went stiff when Rex leans closer,

Looking at this, Evelyn closes her eyes and unconsciously holds her breath, 'No way, I really can't do that'

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'No way, I really can't do that', Evelyn thought as she closes her eyes.

She's trying to imagine something else but it seems to not working,

Evelyn then opens her eyes again to find that Rex is intimately gazing at her, but when Rex's body moved to lean closer to her, "PFFT!!"

Hearing this, Rex pulls his body back and saw that Evelyn is covering her mouth.

Her face turns even redder as she tries to keep her expression neutral, but seeing this Rex realized something, "You know that you just said it yourself that you look like a frog right?"

Turns out the reddened face and the harsh swallowing was Evelyn trying to hold back her laughter.

Rex totally misread that situation forgetting that his face was in a mess thanks to Evelyn, he face-palm himself feeling a little bit embarrassed of himself.

'What am I doing? I already have Adhara', Rex thought with a sigh.

Since the UWO and SCO alliance, Rex has been in a good mood and although the mission assigned by Sebrof was harsh, he can't help but think of this as an opportunity.

Killing an Undead, Rex has never done that before.

He did during the field test in Ochyra University, but the Supernatural there can hardly represent the Undead race which is one of the high-rank Supernatural.

So Rex was a little bit excited, and he was confident that the mission will go fine.

"Let's just take this off, I'll just wear a face mask like you", Rex said before he started to undo his changed face with his black lightning.

Looking at Rex undoing the effects on his face,

Evelyn suddenly approaches him from the side before she suddenly leans in and gives a kiss on Rex's cheek, she did it unexpectedly as Rex is looking at his reflection.

Tcup!

This catches Rex off-guard since he's focusing on removing the item's effect on his face.

But upon feeling a soft pair of lips on his cheek, Rex widen his eyes,

Although it's just for a brief moment, Rex can see Evelyn kissing his cheek from the mirror which totally comes unexpectedly since she just mock Rex's face a moment ago.

Rex puts his hand on his cheek as he looks at Evelyn,

Evelyn also looks to Rex before she looks to the side averting Rex's gaze with a blush, she covers her mouth but she then hurriedly said, "I'm gonna wait outside"

After saying that, she left the restroom hurriedly.

Unknown to Evelyn, the surprise expression didn't just come from her kissing Rex's cheek.

But also the notification from the system that appeared after she kissed him,

<Evelyn Luc has become a Female Alpha Contender>

<All of the Silverstar Pack members' will feel comfortable around Evelyn Luc, and also increase their Sanity stat by 10%>

<Adhara Alpenore, The Female Alpha will feel threatened by Evelyn Luc's presence that can take her position. In Evelyn Luc's presence, the Female Alpha's Berserk stat will be increased by 30%>

<Detected, Evelyn Luc is not a Werewolf!>

<No other races can hope to become the Female Alpha of a Werewolf Pack, Evelyn Luc has been demoted from the Female Alpha Contender until further development>

Rex was reading the notification from the system in thought,

'Female Alpha Contender?', Rex thought with a frown.

Based on the sounds of it, Rex can somewhat get the gist of it as he thought, 'The closest one that I can think of is probably Rosie since I almost do the deed with her, at least I thought that she's the closest girl that can rival Adhara but to actually be acknowledged by the system?'

The time during the Violet Moon, Rosie and Rex did the deed.

It's all because of the Violet Moon, but even when they almost did it the system didn't recognize her as a Female Alpha Contender.

But now, Evelyn suddenly got recognized by the system.

Just from a kiss on the cheek to be exact, and that blew Rex's mind because of how the system measure which girl can become a Female Alpha Contender.

Although she got instantly demoted though since she's not a Werewolf.

'Let's forget about it, Evelyn wouldn't be my pack member anyway', Rex thought.

A moment later,

Rex walks out of the restroom and saw Evelyn waiting for him, she's still averting her gaze because of what she did but Rex has to do something so he can't really stay here like this.

"I'm gonna go, you can go back", he said while putting on his black face mask.

Hearing this, Evelyn frowns, "Why do you have to confront them anyway? It's not like you didn't already beat them, you're just bullying them at this point", she said.

"Maurice Platchi look at me the wrong way", Rex mumbles.

He then approaches Evelyn and stops right in front of her, the towering Rex then looks down on Evelyn, "It's not a good idea to look at me the wrong way, you should learn from this"

Evelyn gulped harshly seeing that Rex has become his usual self,

The Rex that she just quarreled with and laughed before was just a break before the real Rex comes out, it's not a good idea to push him further when Rex is being like this.

"Just don't blatantly kill them", Evelyn mutters.

She then looks at Rex in the eyes before she added, "There's enough stuff going on with the 25 Families mission and the soon-to-be alliance, don't add more and create chaos"

After saying that, Evelyn bids her goodbye and leaves.

Rex looks at Evelyn's back that is becoming further and further away, 'Why is everyone trying to defend the Platchi? It's not that I have a choice since the system just issued a Sudden Quest'

Since the Killing Intent that comes from Maurice has surpassed the tolerance limit,

The system gives Rex a Sudden Quest to kill Maurice, he will receive a penalty if he doesn't and the penalty should weaken him for a time period.

Rex can hardly afford that, it's going to be bad.

With that, Rex shakes his head and continues on his way towards the Platchi Family.

Adhara told Rex that Platchi is staying in the 3E sector which is in their sector, Rex doesn't know why Duncan stays here when he's clearly don't want to have anything to do with Rex.

'Well it doesn't matter', Rex thought.

After about twenty minutes of walking and taking the bus, Rex arrived in front of a house that is quite big with no fences, only a pathway leading to the entrance of the house.

It was not as Rex expected since the 25 Families' houses are usually like a castle.

This much of a house was not something an Awakened like Duncan should own, it's too humble for a man like Duncan considering that he's one of the 25.

'I can't sense anything', Rex thought with a frown.

Since it's already a bit late in the night, the lights are all off except for the ones on the entrance but the strange thing is that Rex didn't sense anyone inside the house.

Rex should be able to sense the people this far, so this is weird.

Putting his guard up, Rex approach the entrance but when he was about to take a step into the pathway leading to the entrance,

Bang!

His feet suddenly hit something before Rex frowned, 'A barrier?'

But then suddenly,

SWOOSH!

CLANG!

Three people came out of nowhere catching Rex in surprise since he can't sense them, their swords collided with Rex's katana creating three sparks as they got pushed away by Rex.

All of them are wearing the Black Tiger guild outfit, the guild associated with the Platchi Family.

"Who are you? Why have you come here?", one of the men said.

Hearing this, Rex lays his Amuerus Katana on his traps with a grin that can't be seen through his black face mask, "I'm here to visit Duncan, he's an old friend of mine"

"Sir Duncan is not accepting guests at this hour, please leave", the man said.

But upon hearing this, Rex started chuckling for a bit, "Is that how you treat everyone that visited? You just attacked me first before asking who am I"

The man went silent as he inspected Rex,

Although Rex is wide open while playing with his katana on his traps, the three guild members of the Black Tiger guild can feel that Rex is emitting a very dangerous vibe.

It's clear that he's not just some Awakened passerby,

Rex saw that the man in the middle nudge his chin before a smile appear on Rex's face, another Awakened sneaked from behind and leaped towards Rex.

SWOOSH!

Fire engulfed the entire sword that he's holding when the Awakened was nearing Rex.

But when the Awakened was about to slash at Rex's neck,

"Huh?", the Awakened mumbles as he suddenly felt his sword fall to the ground, he then looks down before his eyes went wide and his expression turns pale.

SPURT!

Both of his arms are cut off before he can even swing his sword, "RAARGHH!!!"

The three men in front of Rex widened their eyes in shock, they thought that the Awakened behind Rex was able to sneak successfully and at least wound Rex.

To their surprise, Rex already noticed it.

'So this barrier is what makes my sense dull', Rex thought while looking at the three men.

The three men were behind the barrier so Rex can't get through easily, he inspected the barrier without even minding the screaming man behind him that has his arms chopped off.

"Who are you! This is the Platchi Family's ground, one of the 25 Golden Crest Families. Do you have any idea who you're dealing with?!"

"Of course I know, I told you before. I'm here to meet with Duncan", Rex replied with a fierce glint.

Hearing the calmness inside Rex's voice, the three men gulped harshly as they know that they are dealing with an Awakened that is not only powerful but also ruthless.

Gritting his teeth, the man in the middle then said, "You won't be able to bypass the barrier"

"This is the barrier created by a rank six formation master, you will not be able to destroy this barrier even if you try for a million years!", the man in the middle added.

But Rex grin upon hearing this,

When his feet touch the barrier before, Rex already scanned the barrier with the system.

<Sucessfully purchased Penetration Liquid>

After the system notification appears, Rex takes the item that he purchased from the system before he throws the vial to the invisible barrier.

Prang!

The vial shatters coating the barrier in front of Rex with the liquid inside it.

Seeing this, the three men were confused but they really have a bad feeling about this as they unconsciously step back when Rex smiles evilly while looking at them.

"I can't break it? Let me try it!"

BAM!

Rex imbued his element and his red force into his punch,

He even use his Force Beam skill as the red force coated his fist as his fist landed solidly on the barrier, and under the Black Tiger members' eyes the barrier that they boast about cracked!

The crack started spreading before the barrier blink a couple of times and shattered into pieces.

"No way! How is this possible!", one of the men exclaimed.

Then the man in the middle added, "Are you from the other families?!"

But Rex ignore their surprising remarks as the barrier pieces dissipated, "Oh, Would you look at that? I got through", Rex said with an evil grin, and this grin gives goosebumps to the three men.

With the barrier broken, there's nothing to stand between Rex and them.

"Do you think we're just some weaklings?! I'll make sure to wipe that grin of yours", the man in the middle said before he commanded the other two as fire mana gathers on them.

Rex can feel the fire mana gathers on them as a circle of fire appeared in front of them,

The circle of fire is created by many kinds of runes almost like a formation before the three circles of fire merge into one creating a bigger one, it gathers the fire mana crazily.

"You're doing this kind of spell in this situation?", Rex thought will shaking his head.

Hearing this, the Black Tiger guild members grind their teeth in anger as they chanted, "Crimson Fire Formation! Crimson Flame!"

WOOSHH!

The circle of fire spat crimson flames like a flamethrower,

Even the ground melted because of the heat of the crimson fire, it shot through their front, and when Rex was about to dodge it he suddenly frowns, 'If I let this through the neighbors will be attracted, I can't let this spell explode'

Rex readies his katana as he imbues it with black lightning,

The runes on the katana started to glow as Rex went into his battle stance, black lightning started to blitz chaotically as Rex chanted, "Flash!"

BLITZ!!

With his katana, Rex cut through the crimson fire.

The Amuerus Katana cut through the crimson fire like butter as Rex imbued his black lightning to the crimson fire, the black lightning disturbed the mana inside the crimson fire spell and disperse it instantly.

SWOOSH!

Rex easily disperse the crimson fire, it was not even a challenge.

The three guild members of the Black Tiger guild were caught in surprise when they saw their three combined spells were destroyed just like that, they didn't even realize that Rex is already behind them.

"You guys are too slow", Rex commented harshly.

With trembling legs, the three of them look at their backs and saw Rex is already behind them.

Rex is turning his face to the side teasing them with his wicked smile, black lightning mana gathers onto his body before he chanted, "Thousand Lightning Thorn"

STAB!

Inside the house.

A woman woke up from bed when she heard weird sounds from the front, she woke up Duncan who was just sleeping beside her.

Duncan jolted from the bed when he hear the weird sound,

"Wait here", he said before he puts on his night pajamas and open the door lightly.

Upon opening the door, Duncan can hear the weird sounds clearly and he realized that it's coming from the front. His body stiffen when he heard screams from in front of the house.

Walking cautiously, Duncan jolted when Maurice suddenly open his door.

Maurice also heard the screaming sound as he too got up from bed, with a hand signal Duncan told Maurice to stay where he is as he heads towards the window on the second floor.

Duncan peek from the window curtains before he suddenly sucked in a cold breath,

"No...There's no way...", Duncan mutters as his eyes widen in shock.

Seeing Duncan's stiff body, Maurice decided to peek too but his body also froze when he see what he's seeing right now that brings a chill on his spine.

He saw a man wailing on the ground that has his arms chopped off,

There are also three bodies near the entrance that already stain the grass in red, but what makes his body freeze is not the dead bodies but it's because of the man standing amongst the dead bodies.

Rex is standing with blood staining his face, three dead bodies are lying around him.

Feeling a couple of gazes from the second floor, Rex looks up and saw Maurice peeking through the window with a pale expression.

The bleak aura that is coming from him, Rex can see it cloaking his body.

Both of their eyes connected before a nasty grin appear on Rex's face, the bloodstains add Rex's intimidation presence as his eyes flashed with red light.

This red flash makes Maurice steps back from the window with trembling bodies,

"Rex Silverstar..."

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Rex grinned when his eyes connected with Maurice on the second floor,

The paleness and the fear in Maurice's expression can be seen clearly in Rex's eyes, Maurice's expression looks like a normal guy being pointed by a gun on his head.

It's even surprising for Rex when he saw Maurice's expression,

'I just use the Alpha Bearing skill on him, I didn't expect him to be this scared', Rex thought

In front of Maurice's eyes, the ground below Rex's feet started to get engulfed by blackness and the blackness started to spread to the surrounding.

The black lightning mana imbued the ground like an overwhelming army,

Black lightning tentacles then sprouted from the black ground, one of the lightning tentacles grab the last remaining black tiger guild member's head.

The man's head that has his arms chopped off was wrapped by the black tentacle.

With the increase in Rex's intelligence stat from the last time Rex used this spell, the black tentacle looks thicker and more robust than before.

Because of getting his head wrapped, the man's screaming voice got muffled.

BLITZ!

Black lightning electrocuted his body.

The man tries to fight it with his fire element, but the black lightning tentacle is too strong and his fire element was overwhelmed by Rex's black lightning paralyzing his entire body.

STAB! STAB! STAB!

Rex flick his finger before other black lightning tentacles burst from the black ground and penetrate the man's body leaving many gaping holes.

<Killed a peak fifth rank Awakened, Obtained 1,000,000 Exp!>

Just like that, the Awakened died just from a flick of Rex's finger.

This all happened right in front of Maurice's eyes as he stands by the window with a horror-stricken expression, he even saw how the black lightning tentacles carries the corpses.

Rex uses the black lightning tentacle to hide the corpses on the sides,

'The sound barrier rune is very convenient in this kind of place', Rex thought.

Before Rex arrives in front of the Platchi's house entrance, he stops to tie his shoelaces as an act to engrave a rune on the ground in front of the Platchi's house.

It will block all loud sounds in the area, Rex did this as a precaution since he's in a neighborhood.

Because of that, the attack from the Black Tiger Guild members before.

Rex needs to stop it from exploding because the rune will not able to sustain that kind of explosion, and if that were to happen then the neighbor will definitely hear them.

They then will call the police or even the FAA and this will be bad,

After seeing Rex killed and hiding the guards from the Black Tiger guild that is supposed to protect his home, Maurice and Duncan are forced to take their weapons and go downstairs.

Maurice is holding two light red short-sword on both of his hands,

While Duncan on the other side takes his sword, the sword is engraved by a rune and from how the blade glistens under the moonlight it's clear that this sword is made by a high-rank material.

Thud! Thud! Thud!

Both of them got down from the second floor with weapons,

Their movements then stop when they saw Rex is already sitting calmly on a single-sofa, his expression was covered by the black mask leaving only his eyes to see.

Amuerus Katana was stabbed on the ground beside the sofa Rex is sitting on.

Although he's wearing a black T-shirt that can't show the color red, the stench of blood from the corpses earlier can still be smelled from Rex.

It amplifies Rex's intimidating presence as he looks at Duncan and Maurice with cold eyes.

The father and son duo's eyes turn into a flaming dark red fire as they look at Rex warily, they can't help but be alert upon seeing Rex's nonchalant behavior.

Even in front of powerful Awakened, Rex is not at all fazed.

"Duncan Platchi... I believe this is the first time we properly meet", Rex said softly.

He pulls down his mask exposing his wide grin before saying this, the cheeky grin was there just to show both of them that Rex is not bothered by their powerful aura.

After scanning Duncan Platchi, Rex then mocked with a calm tone, "You're still a sixth rank?"

"It seems you're getting too old to progress further"

Hearing this, Duncan grip his sword tighter upon hearing what Rex said before he replies, "What are you doing here Rex?"

"You didn't know?", Rex said pretending to be surprised.

His eyes then shifted to the right and landed on Maurice before he added, "I can feel your son is VERY, eager to talk to me during the meeting before. I thought I'll stop by!"

The bead of cold sweat can be seen clearly on the side of Duncan's face,

"Don't be cocky you piece of shit! You've made a big mistake coming here", Maurice suddenly intervenes from the side with a contorted expression.

Rex looks at him calmly for a few seconds,

Looking at this, Maurice grins back before he added, "The FAA should be on their way here now, Do you really think your fight outside wouldn't attract anyone?"

"All we have to do is keep you here, even you won't be able to kill us easily"

But upon hearing this, Rex holds his face with his hand with a slight chuckle.

The chuckle was a mocking chuckle, Rex can't believe what he's hearing right now, "The FAA will not come here, and your neighbors? I guarantee you they're still sleeping", Rex replied.

This makes a frown appear on Maurice's face.

While Duncan on the other side was not surprised,

In fact, when Maurice was threatening Rex, Duncan didn't have any changes in his facial expression aside from full caution towards Rex.

Duncan knows how cunning and ruthless Rex is,

The thought of Rex coming here is there when he was about to close his eyes, but he still has some doubts since he manage to bring Maurice out before things escalated.

Who would've thought that Rex will turn up to his house anyway,

"And for the latter, Do you want to test if I can easily kill both of you?", Rex said lightly.

But the light tone comes with a very deep emphasization, especially in the word kill, Maurice even feels a powerful killing intent coming from Rex before suddenly.

PSSHH!

Red force started to cloaked Rex's body, he also use the Pure Brace of Moonlight skill.

The powerful aura that Rex emitted before that should've been in the insane realm of the sixth rank suddenly shot up, now his aura already reaches the seventh rank.

His aura even burdened both Maurice and Duncan's back, it was horrifying.

Feeling that Rex is way out of how Duncan expected him to be, Duncan hurriedly said, "Rex, I already did what you ask for. I keep my end so please keep your part", there's a hint of pleading in his tone that even surprises Maurice as he looks at his father in shock.

It was brief, but Maurice can definitely hear the plead in Duncan's tone.

"Father, Why are you being like this? He's just a fucking a nobody!", Maurice replied angrily, he was disappointed and also shocked to see this side of his father.

But Duncan replies, "Don't make things complicated"

"HE KILLED LUCAS!!", Maurice shouted angrily, he still bore hatred to Rex that killed his brother Lucas during the Ochyra University field trip.

Duncan suddenly glances at Maurice fiercely with bloodthirst, glaring at him.

The reddened eyes of Duncan make Maurice realize what he just did as he turns his head away reluctantly, it was clear that Lucas is still a sensitive topic for Duncan.

While they're doing this, Rex is watching them calmly.

But there's also another thing in his vision aside from the son and father quarreling, there's the Sudden Quest that the system issued that told him not to kill Maurice.

Rex is looking at the Sudden Quest tab as he crosses his leg in a figure 4 position,

His feet are moving up and down as it seems he's contemplating something, Rex is thinking before suddenly he realizes that Duncan and Maurice are looking at him dazed.

"Your son over there looks at me as if his eyes can kill, Do you have any explanation for that?"

Hearing this, Duncan glance at Maurice briefly before he replies, "As Maurice's father, I apologize on his behalf and hope that you can let this matter rest. He's still naive, I'll punish him for sure"

"Father!", Maurice said in surprise but quickly shut his mouth.

Rex then looks at Maurice before he sighs, he finally made up his mind, "You know that I never meant to kill Lucas right? He tried to kill me first because of an irrelevant matter"

"If you know Lucas, then you know what I'm telling is the truth", he added.

Duncan clenched his jaw upon hearing this but he didn't say anything to rebut Rex, he knows what his son's personality is like, and doing something like that is very much his son-like behavior.

Even Maurice looks to the side reluctantly,

Based on just their expression, Rex knows that Lucas is known for being a brat even to his family.

"It seems you both now understand why I was forced to kill Lucas, so don't blame me for defending myself and not letting Lucas kill me", Rex said before he slowly stands up.

Seeing Rex standing up from his seat, Maurice and Duncan points their weapons at Rex.

Rex raised his hands with a smile, "Easy there"

Under Duncan and Maurice's gaze, Rex started to walk around the guest room and the living room while inspecting the inside of the house up and down.

The inside of the house was comfortable, but Rex doesn't see anything fancy.

Only a couple of electronics of the newest model can be seen in the house, but aside from that, there's nothing else that can instantly differentiate them as a part of the 25 Families.

While walking around, Rex then said, "It seems you're not in a good condition"

"Is it because of the campaign to become one of the High Table? But seeing your state, your endeavor to become a member of the High Table doesn't go well is it?"

Hearing this, Maurice's face turns red as he grinds his teeth in anger.

Back when Rex is researching the Platchi Family, Rex found that the oldest son of the Platchi was trying to become one of the High Table to raise his family's name.

The money needed for this campaign is too much even for them,

So the head of the Platchi Family, Duncan makes the Fireband Market just to fund Maurice's campaign to become a part of the High Table which seems to be a complete failure.

Duncan and Maurice didn't answer which states the answer clearly to Rex,

"Then I have a proposal for you two, and the woman listening to us on the stairs", Rex said making the woman that's listening to them from the stairs heart beat faster.

With a wide smile, Rex then added, "I can hear your heartbeat"

A woman slowly came out of her hiding and starts to descend the stairs, without Rex asking he already knows that this woman is Duncan's wife.

Rex sits back on the sofa before he looks at the three while supporting his cheek with his fist.

"How about working with me as my subordinate?", Rex suddenly said.

Hearing this, the woman wanted to open her mouth with clear anger and so is Maurice but got stopped by Duncan that has a frown on his face, "What do you need us for? You have the Reed Family so why do you need us?"

"Because of some issues, I can't trust in the Reed fully", Rex said while shaking his head.

Although he didn't really think the Reed Family will betray him at some point, Edward insisted that the Reed Family can't be trusted so Rex is doing this just in case.

With a stoic expression, Rex then said, "I will help your family rise the ranks"

"In return, your family will be my subordinates giving every little information in the 25 Families circle and always at my disposal. You will eventually realize that what I'm offering you now is one in a million chance", Rex added nonchalantly.

Maurice turns his head towards Duncan before he denies, "Absolutely not!"

"Father! You can't possibly consider this blasphemy, don't listen to this damn fiend!", Maurice added angrily when he saw Duncan's thinking expression.

Even Duncan's wife is looking at Duncan in disbelief,

But Duncan realizes something the others don't, he can read Rex's expression clearly.

'He'll definitely kill us if we refuse', he thought.

After a brief moment and seeing his son and wife's reaction, Duncan finally said, "Can you let us think about this? This is not a small matter that I can answer right away"

"Don't worry, I'll give you time until we finish tomorrow's mission", Rex replied waving his hand.

After saying that, Rex's eyes glisten as he looks at Duncan, "Back to our topic earlier"

"You said that you're sorry on Maurice's behalf right? But how do I know if Maurice is also feeling sorry, so I need him to do something for me", Rex said as a brimming smile appeared on his face, this smile looks normal but it gives a bad omen in Duncan's heart.

Maurice is also frowning upon hearing this,

Duncan then said, "As long as it's within my son's power, he will definitely do it"

"That's great!", Rex said excitedly before he glance at Maurice.

But all of their faces contorted in shock when they heard the words that came out of Rex's mouth, "Gauge both of your eyes out, then I'll accept your sincere apology", he said with a smile.

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"Gauge both of your eyes out, then I'll accept your sincere apology"

Rex said with a normal smile as if what he just said was something good or natural, he lean his body back on the sofa while looking at Maurice straight in the eyes.

The silence was present for almost a minute,

The Platchi Family was not expecting this kind of request which stunned them to speak, they're looking at Rex with a blank expression as Rex waited for their answers.

After a moment, they snap out of their daze before Maurice's eyes flash in bloodthirst.

"You dare demand such a barbaric thing from our family?! Who do you think you are to demand such atrocity!", the woman shouted with veins bulging on her neck.

The woman's eyes are also reddened, "You came from a nameless family"

"Having a bit of power doesn't mean you can do anything you want, in terms of our political power, your kind of lowlife can't even be compared to us even if you're three times stronger!"

She's not accepting Rex's demand that she thought was out of proportion.

Maurice is the remaining child of the Platchi Family, the last next generation that will continue the Platchi Family in the future so this much is not acceptable.

There's no head family that is blind, they will be mocked and underestimated if that happened.

Hearing this, Rex's eyes then landed on the woman.

The woman's mouth was instantly shut upon receiving Rex's gaze, she turns meek instantly just from a glance of Rex's eyes that seems to stitch her lips together.

With the same smile, Rex then chuckles, "I'm a nobody huh?"

Unknown to the woman, not only does Rex have Vargas owes him a favor and Sebrof set his eyes to make him work for the UWO, but he also has the backing of the SCO. He's the one that realized this temporary alliance between the two.

If the Platchi knew, then they will vomit blood since Rex's political strength is ridiculous.

"Don't piss me off now, After Maurice gauge out both of his eyes it will be your turn next to prove sincerity so I can at least give you a chance to be trusted", Rex said turning the color of the woman's face into white.

Maurice glared at Rex before he shouted, "You dare lay a finger on my mother"

"I swear! I'll definitely bring y-", Before Maurice can even finish, Duncan stopped him while keeping eye contact with Rex who is smiling playfully.

Seeing this, Maurice then rebutted, "He won't be able to kill us with one strike"

"One of us can run away and tell the FAA or the UWO about this if he really tried to kill us, but he won't do anything stupid like killing us when the mission from the UWO is so close at hand even though he did something that can muffle sounds", he added whisperingly.

But when Duncan was about to answer,

"Maybe I'll need to do something about that son of yours", Rex suddenly said before suddenly,

NGONG!!

The ground turn black as Rex activate his Black Field Orko spell, black lightning tentacles appear from the ground before they wrap Maurice's body like a snake pinning him on his spot.

SWOOSH!

Maurice tries to burn the black lightning tentacles,

But every time he manage to burn one black lightning tentacle, another one replaced the burnt one and this keeps on repeating endlessly.

It's like Rex has infinite mana as the black lightning tentacle keeps this cycle.

Duncan and the woman panic when they saw this,

SWOOSH!

A katana flew past them before it grazes Maurice's cheek leaving a red line before stabbing the wall behind them, Maurice was occupied by the black lightning tentacles resulting in him opened to any other attack.

He can't even react before a katana suddenly went past him.

Maurice's eyes widened before he looks to his back slowly and find a katana stuck on the wall.

All of his limbs are shackled by the black lightning tentacles, he can break free from the black lightning tentacles eventually but he could've just died right there!

"Do you still think I can't kill you easily?", Rex asks with fierce eyes.

Realizing that Rex is way stronger than Maurice who should be in the same realm as Rex, Duncan hurriedly said, "Stop! We understand!"

"Then get to it, I don't have much time", Rex replied while looking at the clock on his phone.

Duncan looks at Maurice before he looks back at Rex, "Both of them?"

"Yes, both of them", Rex said while crossing his leg into a figure 4 position again, he even put his cheek on his fist waiting for what the Platchi Family will do.

With a harsh gulp, Duncan walks slowly to Maurice who just got free.

Maurice looks at his father in horror as he coughs a couple of times since the black lightning tentacle before also restrained his neck, "F-Father you can't be serious!"

"Dear, Please think this again", the woman pleaded after seeing Duncan's determined look.

But when Duncan just points his sword at Maurice's eyes,

"I think you have the wrong idea about this", Rex suddenly said from the side.

This brings the three Platchis attention to Rex, "I told Maurice to gauge his eyes out if he's sincere, so let him do it himself"

"And don't use any weapon, I want you to use your bare hands", he added.

Chill crawl up the Platchi's spines as they heard what Rex demanded especially Maurice whose face is so white that he almost looks like a Vampire, it's already hard enough to use a sword and now Rex wanted him to take his eyes out with his bare hands.

Hearing this, Duncan's body froze before he look at Maurice with a troubled look.

Even under Duncan's pressure, Maurice is still reluctant to do what Rex demanded as he crawls back before his back hits the wall behind him.

"Choose either to gauge your eyes out or die...", Rex said adding more pressure on Maurice.

But seeing that his parents were not helping him but instead encouraging him to do what Rex wants, Maurice then shouted, "FUCK YOU!"

SPURT!

"RAARRRGGHHH!!", Maurice shouted after grabbing his eyes with his fingers.

The blood that comes out of his eyes is like a waterfall flowing down his face as he shouted in agony, the pain stopped his hand from pulling his eyes out.

His instincts are preventing him from pulling his eyes, even his hand turns weak because of it.

But he already poked his eyes forcefully so he can't just stop, Maurice then steeled his will before pulling his eyeballs and yanking them out of their sockets ignoring the pain.

Splash!

Thud!

Duncan and his wife look away unable to see the scene where their son turns blind.

"AARGHH!", Maurice shouted after he throw both of his eyeballs to his front, his eyeballs landed right in front of Rex as he look at this scene with calm eyes.

Unknown to them, Rex was quite surprised upon seeing this.

"THERE YOU GO FUCKER! I DID WHAT YOU TOLD!", Maurice shouted with his now hollow eyes.

Blood is flowing down his face from his eyes, it looks as if he's crying blood.

Feeling the throbbing pain after pulling his eyes out that are still stabbing him, Maurice covers his now hollow eyes before he uses his fire element to stop the bleeding.

It was painful as he groans in agony, but the bleeding really stopped.

'I thought he will run away or do something dumb, he's quite brave', Rex thought while nodding his head a little, he's surprised to find that Maurice has the gut to do this.

But this makes Rex sigh, his eyes then lit up as he looks at the woman.

With a wide smile, Rex then said, "Now is your turn, take both of your eyes out"

"Haven't Maurice proven our sincerity?! Don't bring my wife into this!", Duncan rebutted with a hint of anger, he saw how terrified his wife is.

Hearing this, Rex scoffed, "Oh? Are you refusing?"

BLITZ!!

Rex suddenly turns into a streak of lightning and appeared in front of Duncan, his eyes are looking straight at Duncan's eyes with clear hostility.

Seeing this, Duncan was about to activate his spirit.

SWOOSH!!

But then suddenly,

BAM!

Rex landed a solid punch on Duncan's stomach and his spirit got erased instantly, 'What?! My spirit, What happened to it?', he thought in confusion.

Duncan tries to summon his spirit again to no avail,

It's like there's a shackle that kept his spirit from coming out, this never happened before.

Looking at this, the woman screamed and started running upstairs after realizing that Rex is not playing around with his demand on her.

But just after a couple of steps, the woman suddenly falls to the ground.

Rex tripped the woman before he grabbed the back of her neck and lifts her off the ground, there was a wide grin on his face, "I know you're not sincere", Rex said with an evil grin.

"I was about to put this on Maurice but you're fine", Rex added.

Duncan gets up before intending to tackle Rex with his body engulfed in fire, the fire that cloaked his body acts as armor amplifying his aura by a notch.

"Stay right there", Rex mumbles before his eyes flash with a red glint.

<Target's stats has been decreased by 30%>

'What happened? I feel weak', Duncan thought after getting affected by Rex's skill.

A portion of his power got sucked by Rex's Alpha Bearing skill, this gives Rex enough time before a mark appears on Rex's palm. The mark then got engraved on the woman's neck.

TSSS!!

White steam sizzled from Rex's palm before a mark got engraved on the back of the woman's neck that is still sizzling as the woman wails in pain.

She's holding the back of her neck because it felt like burning.

<The target has been marked by the Prey Mark>

After reading the system's notification, Rex then throws the woman to the side before Duncan rush toward the woman in worry.

"What did you do to her?!", Duncan shouted.

There are black linings that take a shape of a rabbit on the back of the woman's neck.

Hearing this, Maurice who is already blind probed around in confusion, "What happened! How could you attack my mother!!", he shouted while feeling Rex's mana to pinpoint Rex's location.

But his body is still stiff since the pain in his eyes still bothers him.

"Since she doesn't look sincere, her life is not at her discretion anymore", Rex said.

He then continues, "In about a month from now, her life will depend on the mercy of others. If I were you guys, I will definitely be good to Kyran and Adhara"

"That is if you don't want her to die"

After saying that, Rex takes his Amuerus Katana from the wall before he heads towards the exit of the house while Duncan and Maurice check on the woman.

Before Rex leaves, "And Maurice, you can heal one of your eyes. You earn it"

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Supernatural Territory, Vampire Kingdom.

"Princess, I'm glad to see that you got out!", a Vampire wearing a maid uniform said excitedly after the maid saw that Calidora is in her room.

Calidora glances at the maid as the maid runs to her and hugs her.

Looking at this, Calidora accepts the maid's hug as she also hugs her back.

After embracing each other for a moment, the maid pulls back and asks, "How did you get out? King Solomon is not that easy to please especially since what you did before"

"As you can see, I'm back to normal again", Calidora replied with a bright smile.

Seeing this makes the maid teary as she can't believe Calidora is back to usual, the usual Calidora before she got the Vampiric Eyes that turns her into a crazed Vampire.

Raising her eyebrows excitedly, the maid then said, "Wait here, I'll bring you the freshest blood!"

The maid stands back up before she hurriedly walks out the room excitedly, but when she's just by the door Calidora suddenly calls her, "Lysa"

"Yes princess?", the maid, Lysa replied turning her body towards Calidora.

With a troubled look, Calidora then asks, "I heard that something terrible has happened to the Delarosa Family. Aunty Ana, Is she okay?"

Hearing this, the maid steps towards the bed again before sitting beside Calidora.

"Aunty Delarosa is not in a good condition, she met with the Alpha Werewolf in the Human Territory that turns out to have the blood of a Prince of Werewolf. She got injured badly, her throat is burnt and blistering as if she got poisoned and this puts her immobile on her bed", Lysa explained while shaking her head.

Calidora's eyes flash red activating her Vampiric Eyes,

But her eyes dimmed instantly when Lysa glanced at her, Lysa didn't notice that happened.

With a surprise mixed with a worried expression, Calidora widen her eyes while covering her mouth, "That's horrible, how can she fall into such a state"

The maid also sigh seeing Calidora's expression,

Lysa then added, "But Aunty Ana manages to capture the chosen one, the Origin will be pleased"

"Aunty Ana is very strong, of course, she will at least bring something back"

'I'm going to kill her'

"I always adore her, even when I'm younger I once thought that I want to be like Aunty Ana that contributes greatly to our kingdom"

"It's a shame that she fell to that state, I hope she will recover soon", Calidora said with a smile.

'She tasted his blood, I'm going to kill her'

Hearing this, Lysa also smile assuringly before she said, "If you pray to the Origin for Aunty Ana's recovery, I'm sure she will be okay"

"Of course, I'll always pray for her", Calidora replied.

'I hope she dies, that's my blood!'

After nodding her head, Lysa then steps out of the room to take the fresh blood for Calidora.

But right after Lysa got out of the room, Calidora's eyes suddenly glow with a red hue as she looks out of the glassless window with the moonlight shining through.

A crazed look appear on her face as she stare in a direction,

'I'm going to rip her throat, and take back what's mine'

Chapter 347 Visitors

The next day,

Rex already got a call from Vargas that they will depart to Eqosa City at twelve when the sun is at its highest, they will embark on this mission that Sebrof gave to train or test the 25 Families.

Somehow, Rex got mixed into it even though he's not one of the 25.

After dealing with the Platchi Family last night, Rex got back home to only find Adhara already sleeping on the bed with a bunch of purple stones around.

It's clear that she's doing on the purple stone business until late.

Because of that, Rex sneaks into the bed softly to not wake up Adhara.

Early in the morning Rex just got out of the shower and felt refreshed, Adhara is also already waiting for him to finish taking a bath since she also wanted to take a shower.

Adhara stretches her body on the bed before she stops, "What's that smell?"

Smelling the air Adhara's eyes then landed on the dirty clothes bucket at the side, Adhara then glance at Rex who just got out of the shower before she asks, "Did you kill them? I can smell blood from the clothes you wore yesterday"

"Of course not, how can I kill them when you plead not to kill them", Rex replied teasingly.

But this makes Adhara glance at him in surprise, and with a wide smile, Adhara pulls Rex that is still on his towel to the bed roughly.

"What are you doing? I need to do something", Rex said while supporting his body up.

Adhara already jumped on his lap preventing Rex to get up with a teasing smile, she tap Rex's nose with her finger before she said sweetly, "You're going on a mission for days"

"And?", Rex added in confusion.

Her finger then started to go lower heading towards Rex's crotch before she whisper, "Won't you miss me, we should do something to avoid you missing me"

"Just tell me the real reason, you're obviously lying", Rex snorted in annoyance.

But this makes Adhara smile blossoms as she said, "There will be Evelyn there, you're not going to go anywhere before I emptied you"

Rex widen his eyes in surprise, "Are you crazy? How can I do that in a mission like this"

"Do you think I'm crazy enough to think something about that around Undeads?"

But Adhara seems to not want to back down, she kept pinning Rex on the bed refusing to let him go while chuckling before a knocking sound suddenly came from the door.

The knock stops their struggle,

Adhara looks in the door direction, but Rex uses this to free himself from Adhara.

"Rex!", she shouted, pouting.

After freeing himself from Adhara's shackle, Rex opens the door and saw Stuart standing in front of the door politely, "I'm sorry to disturb you sir Rex, but Ari is asking for you"

"Ari? Tell him to wait a minute", Rex said before he quickly change his clothes.

Not long after, Rex walks to the guest room near the entrance before he saw Ari sitting on the sofa with another man that Rex has never seen before.

Rex puts on his stoic look before he makes eye contact with the unknown man.

The unknown man looks to be older than him with an early rank six power, he has a perfectly trim beard but what catches Rex's eyes the most is the man's eyes that are natural green that sparks like a tornado.

While making eye contact with the man, Rex nodded his head finding that the man is strong.

Every man should have a strong gaze just like the unknown man in front of Rex, Rex then breaks their eye contact and glance at Ari, "Where were you? and Who is this man?", he asks.

Ari stands up followed by the man,

After the man stands up, Rex notices that there's a hole in the unknown man's hand.

'That looks exactly like Stevanus Reed', Rex thought with a frown.

With a confident smile exposing his perfectly lined teeth, the unknown man stretches his hand forward and said, "Seve Calixto Reed, you can call me Seve"

Hearing this, Rex glance at Ari while pointing at Seve,

"Yes, this is sir Stevanus's only son", Ari nodded his head confirming Rex's suspicion.

Rex received Seve's firm handshake before he sat down on the sofa in front of them, he already know Seve's visit to his place since the mission is a couple of hours away.

Ari smiles lightly before he said, "We're here to ask if Seve can join your team during the mission"

"Me and Gerrard already decided the teams, you're already on my team since you're the 11th rank family so you don't have to worry", Rex said nonchalantly.

Both of them already talked about splitting the 25 Families,

Gerrard since he will deal with the seventh rank Undead will take 7 of the top ten families while the remaining fifteen will be divided equally amongst them.

But then suddenly, "Actually, we're the tenth now", Seve corrected.

Hearing this, Rex frown since this was unexpected but it's not a problem, "Don't worry, Gerrard will pick the higher-ranked families so you can stay with me"

After saying that, Rex suddenly saw a wry smile coming from Ari.

"Actually, I'm here to also check your preparation for the mission", he said softly.

Rex sigh upon hearing this, 'Everyone is avoiding the seventh rank undead, it's natural though since if their descendants die then their family rank will definitely fall', he thought.

Seeing the questioning look from Ari and Seve,

Rex takes out the Ring of Tetuka from his inventory by pretending to take it from his pocket, and instantly after he takes out the ring, the whole room was blinded by a golden light.

It was so bright that even the light can be seen from outside of the room,

Seve and Ari close their eyes upon receiving the golden light, they then open their eyes slowly after feeling the golden light is not as bright anymore.

Opening their eyes, they saw a ring on Rex's index finger.

The ring is golden decorated with sizzling gold lightning, the ring has spikey shapes that make the ring almost look like a crown with a red jewel in the base of the ring.

A powerful ray of energy entered Rex's body as a notification appeared,

<Endurance stat has been increased by 150!>

<Strength stat has been increased by 120!>

Rex wears the ring as his stats increased, he can feel the golden energy inside him and started to envelop every bone inside his body protecting them.

But when Rex was about to say something,

The Ring of Tetuka on his finger started to tremble, Rex looked at the ring in confusion before a notification suddenly appeared in front of him.

<Tetuka acknowledges the user's body structure, he is impressed!>

<Endurance stat has been increased by 50!>

<Strength stat has been increased by 30!>

Upon seeing this notification, Rex was in a daze as he didn't expect that Tetuka's consciousness is still in the ring although subtle, 'He did put his life to make this ring', Rex thought.

After reading the notification, Rex looks back to his front.

He saw Seve and Ari are looking at the Ring of Tetuka with great interest, they were amazed by the ring before Rex started to channel the golden energy to Ari.

It can hardly be seen, the golden energy.

But Rex has the authority of the ring and he can see it and control it perfectly.

"What's happening? What kind of spell is this?", Ari asks after seeing his body gets wrapped by the golden energy, his body feels stronger because of it.

Even his bones feel slightly different than before,

Rex didn't answer as he stands up from his seat, he approaches Ari that has a confused expression.

Without even saying anything,

BAM!

Rex suddenly uses his force beam skill and kicks Ari's shin surprising him, it was unexpected that even Seve was surprised to see Rex suddenly attack Ari.

The impact from the kick destroy the sofa they are sitting on,

"What are you doing?!", Ari shouted in surprise as he stands up brimming with his aura.

Hearing this, Rex looks at him calmly before pointing at Ari's shin, "Your leg should've been broken from that kick"

"What?", Ari mumbles in confusion.

But Seve from the side then added, "I saw it, your bones should've really broken"

"I saw it bending to an unnatural state but it didn't break, somehow it looks like a rubber to me"

Ari was confused about the situation they were in as he look at his shin, he then raises his gaze before he saw Rex showing his golden ring.

"Not only will this ring reinforce your body to be sturdier, but as long as you're around me, this ring has the ability to make your bone unbreakable", Rex said.

Both Seve and Ari are flabbergasted as they look at the ring.

The ring's ability is very powerful, with this kind of effect anyone under that effect will basically stay in fighting mode the whole time even if they take a powerful hit.

Only the stinging pain can be felt, but their bones will be fine.

With this effect from the Ring of Tetuka, all they need to do is avoid fatal attacks and ignore other attacks that are aimed at their legs, and arms.

Rex saw a change in expression on Seve's face while he was looking at the ring.

But noticing that Rex is looking at him, Seve's expression turns normal as he smiles at Rex.

After a moment,

Seve and Ari were about to leave the room after confirming Rex is indeed prepared.

'I don't know why I need to prove to them but they're from the Reed Family, so at least this much is not a problem', Rex thought as he escorted them to the entrance.

Just when Rex opened the entrance,

He suddenly saw Edward is standing in front of the entrance and was about to open the entrance, Edward looks at Rex in surprise before he frowns when he saw Ari's face.

Both Ari and Edward looks at each other confusing Seve on the side,

Ari breaks their eye contact, "Thank you for receiving us, I'll leave Seve in your care", he then turns around and leaves the place.

Seve also bids his goodbye and left,

After both of them left, Edward looks at Rex with a frown while pointing at them.

Seeing this, Rex sighed before he said, "I know what you're about to say, just get inside first then I'll explain to you"

Edward went inside and saw that the sofa is destroyed,

He was confused at first but he didn't have the time to think about it as Rex suddenly said, "I know you didn't trust the Reed Family, so I already make a deal with another family"

"The Platchi Family..."

Hearing this, Edward nodded his head, "What did you do?"

"I just give them a visit, and soon they will definitely be my subordinates", Rex replied.

Since Edward doesn't trust the Reed Family, Rex decided to just subdue the Platchi Family who are the weakest of the 25 Families and also the poorest since they just failed a campaign.

Rex didn't know about the latter, but it's definitely a good thing for him.

Because of that, Rex will exploit the Platchi Family.

The Platchi is very weak right now, even Rex manages to infiltrate their humble house alone.

Duncan and Maurice are only a peak sixth rank Awakened and Rex can deal with them easily, it's all thanks to Devo whose presence alone can dissipate other lower spirits.

It was akin to stripping the sixth rank Awakened of their powers,

Because the Platchi Family is very weak, Rex can use this moment to make them strong in order to make them feel attached to him especially if their family was raised in ranks because of Rex.

Although they're an enemy once, they can be a greater ally than any other right now.

Edward nodded his head feeling that the Platchi Family is better than the Reed Family, if Duncan himself can help protect Rex and the others then it'll be better than the men sent by the Reed Family.

"There's still a problem", Edward suddenly said.

Hearing this, Rex looks at Edward in confusion before his frown ceased in realization, "You will be gone for a couple of days, and the 25 Families know about this, especially the Atkins"

Rex scrunch his forehead in thought after hearing this,

Since Rex just declared war with the Atkins Family, it's not an unlikely case for them to attack the others while Rex is not here.

In fact, it's very likely that the Atkins Family will attack,

'System do you have any recommendations for last-minute power boost items?', Rex asks.

<Mana Excessation Elixir>

<Ending Lifeblood Mark>

<Fruit of Unbridled Mana>

Rex read the three options from the system and find that the first two was an item that will result in death if used, so he quickly discarded them from the option.

This left the last item, Fruit of Unbridled Mana.

After reading the item description, Rex bought three of them for 30,000 gold which is a huge sum but it's necessary for times like now.

He takes it out from the inventory and gives it to Edward, "Take this"

"Give Adhara and Kyran one and only use it if your back is against a wall, if not then don't use it", Rex added reminding Edward about its usage.

Edward looks at the dark blue apple Rex threw in confusion,

Rex then continues, "Bring Adhara's father here and also my parents, just say that you want to give them a tour of the university if they asked why"

"Alright, I'll do that", Edward replied decisively.

But when Rex was about to go talk to Adhara, the door was knocked again.

Stuart who is standing by the side opens the door and talks to the person in front, he then pokes his head back into the door before he said, "Sir, there's someone looking for you"

"Who else this time", Rex mumbles with a sigh.

He walks towards the door before he frowns, "Why the hell are you here?"

Chapter 348 Corrupted Mind

"Why the hell are you here?", Rex said tiredly.

The mission was about to start and Rex haven't even visited Kyran in the hospital, time is not on his side and since these two people are in front of him it seems he won't have the time to visit Kyran before going to Eqosa City.

Edward poked his head from Rex's back and saw two people standing outside the door,

It was a guy with his arms covered with tattoos, while the other one is a woman with sparkling blue hair. Rex recognize both of them from the 25 Banquet before.

The two are none other than Dray and Valery,

Both of them fought each other at the banquet but Rex stopped them, he was not expecting the two to come here since they're from very high-rank Families.

Higher than the Reed or even the Atkins,

"If you're here to talk about joining my team during the mission, just forget it", Rex said

Looking at Rex with a wry smile, Dray then said, "I didn't even say anything, How do you know I want to talk about that?"

"I just know", Rex replied nonchalantly.

Dray is wearing a green battle robe with armors around his joints, his lower half was covered completely but his upper half is only covered by chainmail underneath the robe.

It looks more of a casual armor but Rex already scans that all of his armor is the sixth rank.

The sword that is strapped on his side is the seventh rank and considering he's Daniel Burton's son this much is natural since he owns the ATC.

Although Daniel definitely have higher ranked weapons,

The reason Dray is only using a seventh rank sword is that he can't handle a higher-rank sword, the rune on the sword will amplify the element of the user to the point that it will go out of control if Dray for example holds an eighth rank sword.

Even now, Rex is quite surprised to find Dray using a seventh rank sword though he's a sixth rank.

But then his eyes landed on Valery, she is already wearing a full plate armor that is thinner around her breast, and thighs. The blue veils that decorated her armor make her look stylish even though she's wearing this armor made for war.

Her face is exposed since she's not wearing a helmet, but the necklace she wore close that weakness gap as it's engraved by a protection rune.

Aside from the necklace, Rex can see a couple of accessories she wore that added extra protection for her.

With a stoic gaze, Rex then asks, "Why did you bring her here?"

"This hard-headed girl followed me here, I tried to get her off but she's very persistent", Dray replied while eyeing Valery in annoyance.

Hearing this, Valery looks at Dray angrily, "You're the one that's hard-headed!"

"What did you say? I asked you nicely to stop following me but you didn't even listen!", Dray replied feeling wronged by what she said.

Rex looks at the both of them quarreling in disbelief,

With a shake of his head, Rex then wanted to slam the door on them but Dray notice this as he held the door mid-way, "Rex! Just hear me out!"

"I'm not going to put you on my team, Gerrard and I already made a deal", Rex replied.

But upon hearing this, Dray then replied, "What deal did you make with Gerrard? Is it really not possible for me only to join your team?"

"Hey! What about me!", Valery added from the side but ignored.

Rex sigh before he finally explains the deal that Rex made with Gerrard,

Contrary to what Rex expected, Dray and Valery look at each other before Dray then said, "We're not here for the Seventh rank Undead. If it's about the seventh rank Undead, you don't need to worry and just leave it to Gerrard"

Hearing this, Rex frowns, "Don't need to worry? Then why are you asking to join my team?"

Dray smile with a troubled look and so do Valery as they both look at Rex with weird gazes, this makes Rex frown since he doesn't get why they need to join his team if not for the seventh rank undead that Gerrard will tackle.

"The truth is, we're asking to join you because we don't want to be inside a team with Gerrard"

Rex frown harder upon hearing this,

He then noticed a subtle bleak aura coming out of Dray and Valery.

Based on his first impression of Gerrard, he thought that Gerrard is a good and charismatic person so he didn't get why Dray and Valery doesn't want to be on the same team as him and even fears him.

He's even from the first rank family, so he must be really strong!

It should be safer sticking with the strong, but then again Rex didn't really know Gerrard.

While they are talking, Rex suddenly saw a blonde woman stopping behind Dray and Valery's back, she's looking at Rex with her clear blue eyes which surprise Rex for a bit.

This woman, Rex is familiar with her since this is the third time they met.

She's Vanessa from the Rirgas Family that Rex met in the Supernatural territory as a scavenger and also during his training in the Crystalline of Mana.

Upon seeing her here, Rex was confused since when did his room known by everyone.

"You see now? I'm sure other families are also dying to join your team instead of Gerrard's team. There will be others after Vanessa over here", Valery added.

Hearing this, Vanessa was also surprised to see Dray and Valery.

Vanessa bowed slightly after seeing Dray and Valery's presence since she's from a way lower rank family, and she didn't have the guts to cut their conversation.

But Rex didn't see this,

He is dwelling in his thoughts because of the turn of events, Edward from the back notices something before he whispers something on Rex's ears.

"She's quivering", Edward whispered.

Rex heard what Edward said before he saw Vanessa quivering, 'Are they really scared?'

'Are they scared because if they die when they're in Gerrard's team, not only their family but Gerrard's family will be punished by the UWO too? Is that it?', Rex thought.

There's only one reason Rex can think of for Dray, Valery, and even the other descendants of the 25 Families are scared of the Macias family.

Since Macias family is the first rank family, the others don't want to become an enemy of the first rank family.

If they died while they're a part of Gerrard's team then they basically burdened the Macias Family, and no matter how Rex looks at it, this will certainly not end well to go against the first rank family in the 25 Golden Crest.

Rex then crossed his arms in front of him before he asks, "And why is that?"

"You might already realize that if we're on Gerrard's team and then we die the UWO will punish Gerrard's Family too, but there's actually another reason for us wanting to join your team", Dray said making Rex curious,

Hesitating for a moment, Dray finally said, "It's because of Gerrard's power..."

A moments later.

Rex closes the door after talking briefly with Valery and Dray, there's a troubled look on his face after hearing Dray's explanation.

'System, What is the Corrupted Light element?', Rex asks.

<Information will cost 5,000 Gold, Continue?>

'Yes'

<Corrupted Light Element>

Another form of the light element that has been corrupted by the darkness but is still categorized as a part of the light element, this element has the healing and buff spells of a Light Elementalist and also an offensive spell of a Dark Elementalist. Because of its nature, the holder of this element has to be very controlled in the mind. If the holder is unstable or exposed to deathly or dark energies the Corrupted Light will be influenced by darkness and will trigger a special state from the Corrupted Light element called Corrupted Mind. The holder of the Corrupted Light will be erased of all emotions and become increasingly evil.

Reading this, Rex started frowning.

Now that he knows this Corrupted Light Element, Rex finds that it's natural for the other 25 Families wanting to be in the same team as him.

The mission took place in Eqosa City against the Undead,

Everyone knows that the Undead can manipulate Death Energy which is the source of their magic, and the description of the Corrupted Light Element by the system stated that the holder of this element will not be in the right mind when exposed to Death Energy.

Or at least will be affected by this Death Energy,

If Gerrard perfectly controls his mind, his magic prowess will be a great asset against the Undead since the Undead is weak to light element.

But if he becomes unstable, there's a high chance that he will attack the others too.

'That will be bad, I need to find a way to stop him if that were to happen', Rex thought with a troubled look, he's concerned about Gerrard's probability of going berserk.

Truthfully, if that were to happen and the mission is non-existent Rex doesn't care.

Now that there is a mission given by the UWO, Rex needs to be careful because although the ones that died will be on Gerrard's team, Sebrof might just use it to bound him.

So he can't let that happen,

Edward already left to do what Rex told him to do while Rex is standing by the door.

Stuart is looking at Rex who stands by the door thinking, he knows that Rex is thinking so he didn't disturb Rex.

While Rex is thinking, his door is knocked on a couple of times.

Just like what Dray and Valery said, the other 25 Golden Crest Families also came to visit him one by one asking if they can be in Rex's team instead of Dray.

It was shocking to see many that Rex didn't know came to see him,

But Rex replied to all of them that his team is already packed, he already made a deal with Gerrard so he can't take any of them anymore.

After tending to the 25 Families,

Rex enters his room and finds Adhara who doesn't even turn her head towards him.

It's almost time for his departure since the clock already strikes half-past nine, Rex will head to the designated place in a bit.

While Rex is putting his preparation items to a black bag,

Rex can't help but sigh since Adhara didn't even talk at all after he came in, she's still mad because of the earlier events where Rex refused.

"Fuck it", he said taking off his clothes.

Feeling that Rex climbs onto the bed, Adhara turns her body around and finds Rex is already topless before a smile blossoms on her face.

She instantly opens her arms wide intending to embrace Rex with a sweet smile.

"We got about half an hour", Rex whispers while kissing Adhara's chest.

But upon hearing this, Adhara puts her lower lips forward pouting as she said, "But that's barely one round! You need at least about 12 times to calm down"

"You count that?", Rex replied wryly.

With a cheeky smile, Adhara then replies, "Of course, you have a Werewolf stamina so I know you can at least go for 20 times if you try"

"Shut up", Rex said before he flip Adhara's over as she started chuckling.

A moment later,

<The user has finished mating with the Female Alpha, Obtained 1,000,000 Exp>

Rex finished his session with Adhara and just like she said, they only manage to do it one time which troubles her but there's no time left.

"When are you coming back?", Adhara asks.

Hearing this, Rex thought for a moment while putting on the new armor that he bought.

Rex is wearing sleeveless waistcoats black leather armor with white linings for his top increasing his endurance and agility, black pant that also has knee pads on them that also increases his agility and endurance, and black gloves that fit his hands perfectly.

In total, Rex spent about 200,000 gold on this set he bought from the system.

Not only the increase in endurance and agility, but the armor that he's wearing also has 15% resistance to death and dark energy which Rex bought specifically for this mission.

The black gloves have increasing power of lightning element spell,

All of the armor that he bought is sixth rank equipment.

With the Tetuka Ring on his finger and the Amuerus Katana strapped on his back, and also the silver sword that he bought, Rex looks fresh and ready for combat.

"Since it's the UWO, we will probably use a teleportation formation to go to Eqosa City so it'll be quick and based on the situation when I will come back will vary. But it's roughly around two or three days at least", Rex replied.

Hearing this, Adhara nodded her head while playing with her feet.

She then suddenly asks, "I've been stuck at the peak of the fifth rank for a while now, should I just get a spirit from the ATC? Kyran is also nearing the peak fifth rank"

"No, I'll bring your spirit in a bit", Rex replied decisively.

Because of the events that are happening to Rex and also the Supernatural stronghold, he can't finish the quest that he got from the Tree's spirit near Wedron City.

Rex intended to bring that to Adhara, but if that's not possible he can just buy it from the shop.

After putting on his new armor, Adhara gives him two thumbs up with starry eyes since Rex looks quite good in that black set of armor.

This even makes Adhara's eyes turn heart-shaped as she inspects Rex up and down,

Seeing Adhara's excited look makes Rex quite confident as he puffed out his chest unconsciously, his expression then turns serious before he said, "Edward will be here with your father and my parents, If he didn't come back in a bit, you tell me okay?"

"Also check if Kyran is okay. If he is then just bring him back, the wounds will heal", Rex added.

Hearing this, Adhara is confused but she still nodded her head in understanding.

Rex nodded his head before he turns around showing his wide back, he then said, "Alright I'm going to kill some walking bones, It won't take long"

Chapter 349 The Start Of The Mission

Rex leaves the room and intends to leave for the mission.

But he stops for a moment in the hallway and opens the quest from the Tree Spirit that he got a while back, the quest reward is a Fire Serpent Spirit that Rex planned on giving to Adhara.

<Blessing of the Tree's Spirit>

The fire snake already embedded the big tree with its fiery core, although the tree looks lush it is actually dying inside because of the nurture of different energy. Find the red snake and bring it to the big tree!

Quest Reward: Fire Serpent Spirit

'System, How is the Fire Serpent Spirit compared to Devo?', Rex asks.

<Fire Serpent Spirit has lived for half of Devo's life about 5,000 years, it's in the early realm of a high spirit while Devo is on the late realm of the high spirit>

Reading this, Rex rubs his chin in thought, 'It's good enough'

'Even Jane Atkins only has a spirit that doesn't even reach the 1,000 years mark, and she's from the ninth rank family. This Fire Serpent will do just fine'

But a frown then appears on Rex's face, 'As for Kyran...'

Rex opens the system shop and filters to just Dark Attribute Spirit that has at least in the early realm of high spirit just like Adhara's, but his eyes widen when he saw the prices.

'Why is it so expensive?', Rex thought in surprise.

High-rank dark attribute spirit prices are way higher than normal, the cheapest one is 120,000 gold and it's barely a high rank since its age is right by the 5,000 years.

<Dark and Light elements are rarer and fewer than other elements spirit>

Rex close the shop deciding to buy Kyran's spirit later after he get Adhara's, but then he suddenly remembered as he loosen the restraints on Devo, 'Devo, you up?'

[What is it? You're disturbing my nap]

'Just wondering, Can you restraint all spirits that are younger than you?', Rex asks.

When Rex confronted the Platchi last night, he found it very easy to take down Duncan after dissipating his spirit which is what makes a fifth rank and a sixth rank different.

It's very useful if Devo can dissipate every younger or weaker spirit than him.

Hearing this, Devo's laughs ring inside Rex's head as the expectant look on Rex's face started to fade since he knows that Devo is laughing at him.

[You're really ignorant aren't you], Devo mocked.

He then explains, [I can only do that to a spirit that doesn't even reach half of my life, unlike other living beings that can get stronger if they try, Spirit can't really do that. What determines our strength is how long we live, we can't become stronger willingly]

[Higher rank Awakened can deflect my energy so restraining their spirit is impossible, even a seventh rank with the weakest spirit, I can't dissipate them because their Materialization is sturdier than me]

'Materialization? What's that mean?', Rex asks.

[Right now, I'm nothing but a ghost since you're still a sixth rank Awakened. The higher the Awakened rank, the more we can manifest into the real world and give you our power. Materialization means the state of a spirit manifestation]

Reading this, Rex nodded his head in understanding.

Basically what he thought was possible was just hopeful thinking, since Devo is the strongest spirit since even the Atkins have weak spirits just below a thousand years old, the only thing stopping Devo is because of the Materialization that he explains.

That is because Rex is still a sixth rank, Devo can't budge spirit from a higher rank Awakened.

'Well, this still makes me the strongest in my realm', Rex thought before he left.

Two hours later,

Rex arrives back at the UWO main office, he got escorted by Linda who has already been on standby since the morning waiting for Rex.

But he's not going together with Linda in her car,

Instead, Rex is riding Delta through the privileged street following Linda's car from the back.

Many people glance at Rex when they saw he's riding Delta, Zeragon has a high standing even when Rex is in sector 2 where many powerful Awakened live.

This shows just how hard to tame mutated animals,

Some even try to tame lower-rank mutated animals like mutated cats or dogs, but still, even after years, they can't tame them as their minds are filled with the intent to kill.

It's not the same as the regular animals the world has before the Supernatural Emergence.

Even if they did tame lower-rank mutated animals, they wouldn't boast about it.

In front of the UWO main office, there are many people around.

Just from a glance, Rex notices that there are many guild members from the 25 families gathered here. They're wearing their guild uniform, so it's easy to tell.

There are roughly 13 different guild members in front of the building,

Aside from doing missions scattered all over the human territory, some of the stronger free Awakened are recruited by the related family to be their guards.

It's a dream for many people to be recruited by the 25 Families, it's quite an honor.

These people Rex is seeing on the parking lot is that said guards,

'I'm curious of how the descendants will do in the mission. I already prepared for the worst though, so it doesn't matter', Rex thought as he got off Delta.

He rubs Delta's head gently as he said, "Be good now, no more going nuts alright?"

Delta whimpers lightly as if she understands what Rex is saying, she lightly pushes Rex's chest away with her muzzle playing with him making Rex chuckle.

After talking to Delta, Rex strode into the building.

Some UWO personnel escorted him and Linda through the hallway,

They are heading to the back of the building where Rex already can smell the scent of the 25 Families, he met with them a couple of times and this makes Rex remember their scents clearly.

Rex arrives at the back of the building where the descendants have gathered,

The back of the building is an open place that has some green lushes here and there, this place looks like a resting place for the workers but this place is very spacious with the ground decorated with silver marble concrete.

With a scan from Rex's eyes, the ground turns out to have already been engraved by runes.

'It's a teleportation formation', Rex thought.

All of the descendants are already on their armor, some of them even wear extravagant armor with many protection accessories on them which makes them look funny in a way.

While walking, Rex glance to the right,

"Remember, just stay back when you meet a fifth rank Undead or higher"

"Listen to your father, and don't even try when you meet powerful Undead. Throw away your pride. Surviving is more important than anything, I don't want to see you get taken back in a coffin"

He then glances to the left and finds Dray with Daniel and his wife, and he can also see Valery.

All of them are getting reminded by their parents about their battle plan, this makes Rex a bit weird since he's the only one walking in without his parents.

Upon noticing Rex has arrived, Daniel's eyes brighten.

He then said something to Dray before Dray started walking towards Rex.

"Hey, You ready? Don't forget to pick me alright, I'll owe you a favor if you do this one", Dray said with a smile pressuring Rex even more.

Rex didn't answer as he looks around,

But then suddenly, someone jumped from the back trying to surprise him.

Instead of surprising Rex, the figure that tries to surprise Rex got nothing but a cold stare.

"That was stupid of me", a woman clad in armor said as she try to surprise Rex.

Rex glances at the armored woman before he frowns, "Evelyn?", he asks while looking at the woman in front of him, the woman is covered in full plate armor.

He can tell that it's a woman because of how the armor curved on the waist part.

"Yep, it's me!", Evelyn said as she takes off her helmet.

Evelyn shakes her head left and right making her long silky red hair dance with the wind, although she's wearing full plate armor there is no hint of sweat on her face.

Of course, the armor is engraved with a cooling rune, for Evelyn's convenience of course.

Rex shakes his head after realizing that Evelyn forgot once again that Rex is a Werewolf, he can clearly sense Evelyn creeping on his back.

Looking to her side, there's also a figure clad with a similar armor as Evelyn.

The figure is, of course, Kevin.

Both of them are wearing full plate silver-ish armor, red band, and cloth made of enhanced mutated silk decorated their armor with a red cloak on their back. This set is clearly inspired by the armor of the medieval ages, it looks kinda cool.

The difference between Kevin and Evelyn's armor lies on their helmet,

Evelyn's helmet has a red plume decorating its top while Kevin doesn't, what Rex finds fascinating is the scarfs on both of their necks though.

<Flaming Talos Scarf>

Sixth rank equipment made by a remnant of Talos the Fire Wyvern. Give the wearer increased agility by enhancing the wearer's fire element and also have the ability to cover the wearer's body protecting them from any external attacks.

'It's a decent defensive item', Rex thought with a smile.

Rex then scans the items that the descendants around him wear before he sighs, 'All of them wears defensive items with only one of them has some sort of offensive items, they're really scared of dying aren't they'

Dray on the side suddenly looks at his phone before he mutters, "It should be about time"

Hearing this, Rex looks around trying to find someone.

"Where is Gerrard? He's still not here?", Rex asks in confusion, the mission was about to start and Rex can't find Gerrard anywhere.

But just as he said that,

ROAR!!

All of the descendants jolted upon hearing the roar, They all look up unconsciously upon hearing the roar including Rex.

In the sky, Rex can see a white monstrous tiger with wings.

The tiger's wings are at least 30 feet wide composed of angelic feathers, two horns are sticking on the tiger's forehead that is curving up, and its tail is a steel color.

Rex looks to the person riding it and find that it's Gerrard,

Turns out Gerrard is a Zeragon too, a higher rank Zeragon at that.

Gerrard wearing his white armor looks graceful in the sky as the mutated tiger slowly descend and landed in the middle of the descendants, he then got down from the big mutated tiger under everyone's gaze.

'Mid Sixth Rank, that's one powerful mutated animal', Rex thought after he scan the tiger.

While Rex is looking at the tiger, a growl can also be heard from the side and Rex found Delta being escorted by the UWO members from the side.

ROAR!

Delta roared loudly towards the white tiger, she growls while baring her sharp fangs.

Looking at this, the white tiger scoffs without even replying to Delta's roar as if she's not the white tiger's competitors since they're a realm apart.

Gerrard is also patting the white tiger lightly,

His expression is calm and stoic even under Delta's roar but Rex can hear his heartbeat is out of rhyme, it's clear that Gerrard is feeling good about this.

Rex runs to Delta trying to calm her down, "Why are you getting so worked up for?"

Growl!

Delta replies by pointing her muzzle towards the mutated white tiger that is looking at Delta with a mocking gaze, the tiger's size is way bigger than Delta and it's clear Delta is not its match.

Seeing this, Rex then mutters, "Calm down, you'll get there"

Hearing this, Delta whimpers before turning her head away while getting stroked on the head by Rex, he then glanced at the white tiger with a fierce glint.

Flash!

Rex's eyes flash in red startling the white tiger as it steps back making a few thudding sounds.

The frame and sheer size of the mutated white tiger is enough to make the ground slightly tremble, but this behavior surprises Gerrard since he can see a slight fear on the tiger's eyes.

'Fine, I'll help Delta to become stronger after this', Rex thought, turning his head away.

Although he didn't show it on his face, Rex's competitive nature is riled up seeing that Gerrard has a sixth rank mutated animal as his mount.

It even irritates him a bit when Delta whimpers submissively.

When the descendants are looking at the quarrel between Delta and the white tiger.

"Alright! Everyone is gathered here right?!", the same UWO official from the auditorium before shouted bringing everyone's attention to him.

The parents of the descendants moved to the side per the UWO instruction,

After looking at each of the descendants' eyes, the man can see different signs from their eyes as he said, "I'll quickly remind you guys again what the objective is"

"Obliterate the five companies of the Undead around Eqosa City"

"That is the only objective nothing else, so don't get sidetracked. I expect not one of you to die in this mission, it's for the better good for your respective families and yourself of course"

Another UWO official then whispers stopping the quick briefing,

Hearing what the other UWO official said, the man then continues, "We have located your teleportation point, you will be teleported to Zissea City. The city is already in ruin but their Marginal Anchor is still working, so we'll teleport all of you there"

"The Undead companies will be on your west after arriving there, the leaders will be given a map each to help guide the others. We don't know how the situation there will be, after getting teleported you will be on the battlefield so keep your guard up"

After saying that, the man then moves to the side where all of the heads of the family are.

The descendants including Rex who is already on Delta's back are in the middle, the silver marble ground started to glow as the formation is starting.

Both Rex and Gerrard are given a map each,

Looking at this, Rex then said, "Evelyn, Kevin, and Dray, stick close to me"

Hearing their names getting called, the three of them went to Rex and stood by Rex preparing to get transported by the teal energy.

"Remember, from this point onwards your life and death is on your own hand"

"Good Luck!"

It's the last words that can be heard from the man's mouth before a transparent teal barrier shot up to the sky, and before they realize it, all of their bodies turn into teal energy and disappear from their spot.

SWOOSH!

The teal energy shot up to the sky as the descendants disappear from their place.

Sebrof who is watching this from his own office is smiling while smoking his cigarette, he then mumbles, "Although it's the descendants of the 25, I sure hope one of them dies"

Zissea City, outside of Ratmawati City.

CRACK!

BOOM!

A teal light creates a cracking sound on the sky before the energy shot down and hit the ground, the descendants materialize again after the teal energy dissipates.

"I feel sick", Kevin mutters while holding his stomach.

Hearing this, Evelyn approached him worriedly as she pats his back a couple of times after taking off Kevin's helmet in case he wanted to puke.

Rex looks around and find that the whole city is destroyed,

"We should go west from here right?", Dray asks while pointing to the west side.

But Rex ignores Dray's question before he mutters, "Keep your guard up, We're surrounded"

Chapter 350 Undead Wickedness

Evelyn is patting Kevin's back as he bends over feeling his stomach grumble, she was worried that Kevin will vomit so she takes the helmet off of Kevin.

While Rex on the side looks around warily,

He already experienced using a teleportation formation before, and thankfully just one experience is enough to make Rex get used to turning into energy.

But the other descendants are not though as they become like Kevin.

Almost half of them feel unwell because of the teleportation, even Evelyn and Dray although their strong face Rex can see that they too are feeling it.

"Have you done this before?", Dray asks from the side.

Hearing this, Rex nodded his head while looking around full alert, "Just once", he said.

"Just one? Then how can you be okay? It's my eleventh time and I'm still not used to the feeling as well as you did", Dray said with a confused expression.

Rex is also confused, 'Is it because of the Ether Blink Spell? Maybe it's because of that'

While the descendants started to recover from the teleportation, Dray looks to his left before he said, "We should go west from here right?"

"Keep your guard up, we're surrounded", Rex mutters lightly.

Right after they got teleported here, Rex's Supernatural Sense has been ringing ever since and it's coming from all directions.

'Where are they? I can't find them', Rex thought in confusion.

Just like when Rex met with the Shapeshifter back in Faraday University, his Supernatural Sense also rang, and because of that Rex trusted this sense of his.

One of the descendants heard what Rex said before he touches the ground,

"Great Earth Magic, Land Detection"

Swish!!

Brown mana expanded in a circle from where the ground the guy touches, it spread to the surroundings as the spell scan every nook or corner of the place.

After scanning the place, the guy then said, "I didn't pick up any Supernatural"

"All I detect is survivors of the city, they're hiding in their houses. We should go help them", the guy suggested as he strode to one of the houses.

Seeing this, Rex then called him back, "Stop! Don't move recklessly"

"I told you that there's no Supernatural here, I already scan the entire city with my spell", the guy said stubbornly, he kicks the door of a house down and enters the house.

Rex glance to his right and find Gerrard is also frowning,

Having no other choice, Rex approaches the house that the guy went into.

Not long after when Rex was about to enter the house, the guy walks out while holding a kid with his hand that seems to not be older than eight.

"See? We need to help them first before doing our mission", the guy said.

Upon seeing the young girl that is crying profusely while covering her face, Rex's eyes glow before his eyes widen, "GET AWAY FROM HER!"

"Huh?", the guy looks at Rex in confusion when suddenly,

STAB!

The guy looks down and finds the little girl that he thought was human turns out to be an Undead, her hollow eyes are looking directly at the guy as her hands turn into pointy bones and stabbed the guy right on his leg.

"Arrghh! What the fuck?!", the guy shouted after feeling his leg is stabbed.

Without wasting any more seconds, Rex turns into a streak of lightning unscathed his silver sword and cut the little girl's head off cleanly.

SHING!!

< Killed a peak fourth rank Supernatural, Obtained 150,000 Exp!>

Rex killed the Undead swiftly before the other descendants can even react, but when he looks to his side, he finds Gerrard is already right beside him.

He's holding a mace tightly upon seeing the little girl turns out to be Undead.

'That was a fast reflex, even though he realized it after this guy gets stabbed, he almost arrives faster than me who realize the little girl is an Undead before the guy gets stabbed', Rex thought.

After killing the Undead, the Water Elementalist healed the guy's leg.

Rex is looking at the dead undead girl as he sheathed his silver sword back, it was brief but Rex finds her stats are weird, 'Its stats, is that stats of a peak fourth rank?', he thought in confusion.

Although Rex saw it briefly, he notice something.

The stats of the Undead Rex just killed are stats of a fifth rank Supernatural, it's not stats of a fourth rank Supernatural should have.

'It's the Death Energy, they become so strong', Rex thought with a frown.

Rex then glance at the guy that got stabbed and saw a hole in his leg armor, 'A fourth rank did that? I don't think so, that is a near sixth rank quality armor'

"Gather around! We're going to split into two teams", Gerrard shouted.

Hearing this, Rex also approaches him as the other descendants gather in front of them.

"Remember our deal, the 2nd to 8th rank families will be in my team. You can choose from any family aside from that, we'll split it in half", Gerrard said.

But Rex intervenes, "I have no problem but Dray will be with me"

Gerrard's expression contorted for a brief moment but Rex didn't catch this, he then smiles, "Of course, I know you're close with the Burton Family so I'm okay giving him up for you"

"What about me!", Valery suddenly shouted.

The others also started to complain since they don't want to fight the seventh rank Undead, and Gerrard's reputation is nothing but bad news. At least that is what Dray explained before.

Nging!!

Gerrard's eyes suddenly glow with a brilliant light as he glances at the descendants sharply.

This one glance makes the descendants that ask for Rex to pick them becomes silent instantly, the brilliant light gives out a warmth but there's a weird feeling to it.

"Only the leaders have the right to say, all of you just need to follow our command"

"Or did you guys already forget about that?", Gerrard ask with a wide smile.

But this makes many bleak aura start to leak from the descendants, Rex can see almost all of them with an exception of a few fear Gerrard.

After discussing with Gerrard for a moment, the descendants are split into two teams.

Since the 2nd to 8th family with the exception of Dray was instantly put onto Gerrard's team, that leaves 17 families left to pick.

Out of the 17 families, 9 go to Rex while 8 go to Gerrard.

Amongst the 9 that Rex got from the 17 families, there are Vanessa, Maurice, and Seve.

This also includes Evelyn and Kevin of course,

Aside from Vanessa, the Rirgas Family has another daughter who is older than Vanessa.

Rex didn't know her but after scanning Vanessa's elder sister, he found that her name is Sabrina and she's also an Ice Elementalist like Vanessa but she's a mid-sixth rank.

'Ice Elementalist, I'll probably need them for support', Rex thought.

Maurice and Seve were picked intentionally by Rex since he already planned them for being in his team, while Vanessa and her sister on the other hand are not planned but Rex decided to pick both of them as support in his team.

"I know you'd pick me, I owe you one so thanks", Vanessa said gratefully.

Sabrina on Vanessa's side also smiles lightly, both of them have the same blonde hair and blue eyes but Sabrina is better looking out of the two since she's more mature.

At least from Rex's perspective of course,

Both sisters smile while thanking Rex for saving them from Gerrard.

But all they received was a cold look from Rex that makes the smile on both of their faces freeze, they were not expecting to get this kind of reaction from Rex.

With his cold expression, Rex then said, "I didn't pick you for you"

"You both are an Ice Elementalist, so it'll be useful for my team", he added shattering the smiles on Vanessa's face since she didn't expect this kind of answer.

After saying that, Rex leans closer to Vanessa's ears, "I know you told Hans about me"

"W-What are you saying? They're just asking if I met you back then, and I answer them honestly since you did nothing wrong", she defended herself.

But Rex didn't answer as he looks at her coldly and turns away.

"We're going to wait for the SCO, but we must locate the Undead companies first. Me and my team will head northwest", Gerrard approached Rex and said.

Hearing this, Rex nodded his head, "Then we'll go Southwest"

"My team will move after finishing the Undead here, there should be not much left aside from wanderers like that little girl Undead", he added.

Both of them nodded their heads before Gerrard lead his group to leave.

Rex then looks at his team before he puts his arms on his waist, 'System, Can you scan and count how many types of Awakened in this group?'

<Scanning...>

<2 Ice Elementalist, 2 Dark Fire Elementalist, 1 Purifying Fire Elementalist, 2 Lava Elementalist, 1 Metal Elementalist, 2 Diamond Elementalist, 1 Air Destroyer Elementalist, 1 Dispotion Wind Elementalist, 1 Pale Wind Elementalist, 1 Grace Water Elementalist, 1 Blue Poison Elementalist>

'Make it simpler', Rex thought.

<5 Fire-Related Elementalist, 3 Wind-Related Elementalist, 3 Earth-Related Elementalist, 1 Poison Elementalist, and 3 Water-Related Elementalist>

After getting the information to the system, Rex then looks at the descendants.

They all are looking at Rex waiting for his instructions, he then said, "Divide yourself based on your spells expert type, offensive, defensive, and support"

Hearing this, the descendants started to move.

They separate themselves into three groups based on what Rex said, in order to be effective in battle this much is a must since Rex needs to know what his team is composed of.

'6 Offensive, 5 Defensive, and 4 Support', Rex thought,

But while assessing his team, Rex frowns before he points at a guy wearing a blue hooded robe that is standing on the support team, "You there, Aren't you a Poison Elementalist?"

"Why are you there?", he added in confusion.

Poison Elementalists are known to be deadly in a fight with their wide range of offensive spells, all of their spells are mainly offensive since their main weapon is poison.

Hearing this, the hooded guy points at himself before he replies, "How do you know that?"

"Learning every descendant's element is basics, don't dodge the question. Why are you standing there?", Rex asks squinting his eyes.

But the hooded guy chuckles upon hearing this,

His expression turns contorted as he said, "Are you kidding me? You're going to make the offensive be in the middle while the defensive in front and the support on the back right?"

"You guys can be in front, I certainly won't", he added with a mocking smile.

Dray who is on the offensive part glared at the hooded guy before he said angrily, "Fordie! We need to work together if we want to finish the mission without casualties"

"Casualties? That's for the leaders to think about, I simply care for my only life", he replied.

The answers spark the anger inside of Dray as he strides towards Fordie, but Rex stops him and shakes his head, "He's an asshole, I'm going to teach him a lesson"

"Don't, I got a better idea", Rex whispers lightly.

Dray was confused at first but upon seeing Rex's wicked expression, he gulps and steps back.

Without caring for Fordie who is standing on the support side, Rex then said, "Alright, the support will stay here while the offensive will make a partner of two with the defensive and scout this whole city carefully"

Hearing this, the descendants nodded their heads.

After seeing Rex's display of insane reaction to save the guy that got attacked by an Undead before, many of them at least acknowledge him as a leader.

It feels safer at least to have a quick leader like Rex,

Rex then looks at a woman before he said, "You there, you stay here"

The woman was startled when Rex points at her, she then steps away from the already partnered offensive and defensive teams before they dashes to their respective directions.

Amongst the descendants in his team, this woman here is the weakest.

Not only she's a peak fourth rank Fire Elementalist, she also looks to be nervous judging from the cold sweat and fast-beating heart that Rex heard.

The team of defensive and offensive is off one person, so it's okay to let her stay here.

After instructing the others to stay here and keep their guard up, Rex approaches the dead Undead again before he notices something is off about her.

'Wait, this skin is still fresh', Rex thought with a frown.

From all of the experience fighting the Undead race or even during the field test in Ochyra University, Rex has never seen an Undead with its skin intact.

All of them should have decayed bodies and dangling organs.

Just like the Ghouls and Zombies, all undead should at least looks like that but the one in front of Rex almost looks like a regular human except for its hollow eyes.

Rex inspected the carcass before he found an extra bone sticking on the carcass' neck.

"What is this?", he mutters as he reached for the bone.

It looks like somekind of tail bone at a glance,

Rex is not a doctor but he's sure that the bones inside the human's neck is not like this.

There's even blood spurting while Rex is pulling the bone out, it looks and feels weird since Undead shouldn't have blood spurting out like this.

Clank!

Disgusting slimy cracking noise can be heard as Rex pull out the bone.

But Rex's eyes started to widen by the second as the thing that he pulls out reveals itself,

Craaeea!

Rex catches the thing that he just pulled out that was leaping towards his head, he catches the thing that looks like a round insect skeleton with a tail about 5 inches long.

The scent coming from this insect is awful making Rex frown,

<Baby Gebbo>

Race: Undead Insect

Power: Fifth Rank (Early)

Mental: 90

Agility: 284

Endurance: 179

Intelligence: 60

Reading this, Rex was quite surprised since he was not expecting something like this, 'Baby Gebbo?' I think I read this kind of Undead from the system before'

Just like he thought, every Undead's stats are increased.

284 points on Agility is an impossible thing for an early fifth rank Supernatural to have, it is almost as good as a peak fifth rank Supernatural.

The death energy is simply enhancing the Undead around here,

Rex even frowns when he saw that this creature has magical power, it's stated there in its intelligence which surprises Rex.

But he didn't fret about that since a Lich can use Ice spell,

So it makes sense for it to have some form of intelligence stat, just like this Baby Gebbo that is struggling to break free from Rex's grip.

"There's an Undead controlling this carcass?", Rex mutters lightly.

Crack!

Rex crushed the undead killing it instantly, an early fifth rank Supernatural is nothing to him even after getting enhanced by the Death Energy.

<Killed an early fifth rank Supernatural, Obtained 350,000 Exp>

He stands back up before he suddenly widens his eyes, 'Baby Gebbo? I remember it'

'Isn't that the mind-controlling Undead? They are born from an Undead called Mother Gebbo, it should be around here feeding on corpses', Rex thought as he looks around.

But then, he realizes something.

'Doesn't that mean this little girl here is once human?', Rex thought as he slowly looks at the dead girl's corpse, his expression darkened upon realizing this.

The skin that is still intact on the dead girl's body hasn't even decayed, it's still fresh.

He didn't realize it himself, but his aura is leaking from his body.

The descendants that are behind him noticed this as they felt their chest heavy, they saw Rex's aura is leaking like a waterfall as he clenched his hand into a fist.

'Undead huh, Let's count them down', Rex thought, taking out his silver sword.