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Chapter 511 Power Play In The Meeting (2)

Positioning his body in a wider frame, Rex looks at Lady Lauren directly into her eyes keeping their eye contact intense. It's more like a settling of dominance that these two are fighting for, the winner will have an advantage mentally.

The woman called Kiera is locked in her spot with Kyran's black spear on her neck.

Making a sudden move in this kind of situation where the tension is very high will be a bad idea, Kyran might just slash her neck off if she decided to test him. But that's not the only thing that makes Kiera stand frozen like a statue.

Aside from the surprise that Kyran managed to bypass their senses, Kiera can feel that her spirit got suppressed by the darkness coming out of Kyran's body. She literally can't use her spirit to fight.

Calling out her spirit shadow might make her leave this situation, but she can't.

Kyran's burning black eyes are like the embodiment or incarnate of darkness itself, his eyes are filled with spirit energy of the Shurbaa the Overlaid Ash that is way stronger than Kiera's spirit. It allows him to suppress her spirit easily.

Just before going to the meeting,

Kyran already told Rex what he was feeling throughout his time in the Hester Family's mansion, he detailed every single thing that he experienced inside the mansion. One of the core things that Rex finds interesting is the fact that Lady Lauren and the blonde maid he was following have grey glowing eyes.

It might be because the blonde maid is a mind Elementalist too, but Kyran insisted that she's not.

From this alone, Rex finally thought of the possibility that Lady Lauren can access the minds of those around her and see through their eyes, which is why when the blond maid was about to shout she suddenly becomes calm and turned away.

The mind attack is also an interesting thing but it should be a defensive measure of the mansion.

Because of the fact that the mind attack receded and the glowing grey eyes, Rex becomes determined that the possibility of Lady Lauren knowing Kyran is there is high. Almost certain.

With that Rex decided to buy an item from the system's shop for their preparation.

Rex bought a steel necklace for Kyran that can suppress his mind completely, it's called Pendant of Blankness which is a seventh rank battle equipment. It will make Kyran's mind be silent despite him still thinking, it also has an additional effect of +300 Agility stat.

A useful item for meeting the Hester Family which is a mind Elementalist based family.

On the other hand, he buys himself a higher rank item called Earring of Selective Mind. Just like its name implies, the earring will be able to filter the wearer's mind such as memories that the wearer doesn't want others to see.

Just like Rex did, he suppresses the fact that he's in his Werewolf form while showing Lady Lauren him trashing the Vampire royal families' heads, this makes her see that Rex actually did that in his human form.

With his current strength, beating an eighth-rank Vampire is still a hard stretch.

But since the memories inside his head are real but altered by the Earring of Selective Mind, all Lady Lauren see is Rex butchering the Vampires and other Supernaturals without even trying much.

Those two items from the system's shop play a detrimental role in this meeting.

Lady Lauren despite being able to read any minds that enter her range was not able to detect Kyran who follows after Rex all this while since he got out of the car, the item cloaks his mind thus resulting in this scenario where he's able to surprise even Lady Lauren.

While pulling Sienna's head to protect her from this scene, Lady Lauren looks at Rex with clear eyes.

Both of them are looking at each other silently as the breathing of both Kyran and Kiera becomes rapid as time passes by. Lady Lauren closes her eyes for a couple of seconds, she then opens her eyes again before she finally opens her mouth, "I believe the meeting can be conducted in a civilized way..."

"Wise leaders such as ourselves don't resort to unnecessary aggression"

Rex kept his cool sitting calmly on the sofa, this reply shows that Lady Lauren is finally willing to make a platonic barter between their families. It's the best course of action, others will only lead to blood.

Signaling with his hand, Kyran lifted his black spear away from Kiera's neck.

Kiera also did the same as she retracts back the sword from Rex's neck, she then slowly went back to Lady Lauren's side while Kyran stands firmly beside Rex wearing a stoic and cold expression. The expressions worn by Lady Lauren and Kiera shows clearly the shift in the power of the room.

It was them that were caught off guard by the sudden appearance of Kyran, they manage to surprise Rex by knowing Ryze's condition but now they have truly on equal grounds.

"Now that we're on the same page, I'll hear your request first", Rex finally said.

Although he was not expecting that the tension becomes that high since Lady Lauren turns out to not see him as her equal, he nevertheless manages to handle it perfectly and brings the professionalism back to the table.

Before she answers, Lady Lauren glances at Sienna, "Why don't you play with brother Liam first?"

"Mom has something important to discuss, but it won't take long. I'll definitely play with you after this. Can you do that for mommy?", she asks softly to her only daughter.

Hearing this, Sienna glanced at Lady Lauren with her beautiful big eyes before nodding her head.

Sienna jumped down from the sofa before she stopped by Rex and bowed politely, "It was nice to meet you, mister. I hope you don't hurt mommy...", she said before scurrying outside and closing the door behind her.

With Sienna out of the way, Lady Lauren focuses back on the matters, "I've heard of your mission"

"Mission? What mission?"

"The SCO has tasked you to go hunt the last material for the Supernatural Radar, you're tasked to bring back a high-rank Shapeshifter preferably alive. Isn't that true?"

Rex leans back on the sofa with a frown, Lady Lauren knows many things about him.

'She must have some contacts in the SCO now, the UWO and SCO are closely working together and I'm sure that allows her to know this thing. But she doesn't seem to mind that I'm an SCO member... sigh, I need to be more careful about sensitive things in the future'

After thinking to himself, he then looks back at Lady Lauren, "Yes, my team is tasked with that"

"Perfect, all I want you to do is to bring back one of the Five Conversions of the Shapeshifter. Before you turn the Shapeshifter in, I want you to bring it to me and it must be alive. Its corpse then can be brought back to the SCO", Lady Lauren explained with a hint of disgust in her eyes upon saying the Five Conversions.

But Rex doesn't know this Five Conversion, he doesn't have any experience with the Shapeshifter.

Only once has he made contact with a Shapeshifter and that also occurred long ago when he's participating in the Faraday University's tournament, the first time he has ever used the Invincible item.

"Five Conversions... is that somekind of elite forces of the Shapeshifter?"

"You can say it like that, there's supposed to be five but one of them got killed by the SCO as it tries to infiltrate Ratmawati City. It's the Shapeshifter that attacked you back then, that one is also apart of the Five Conversion"

Albeit once again Lady Lauren shows that she knows so much, Rex kept silent and just listens.

Raising her hand and flicking her fingers, Kiera takes out a piece of paper from a bag hidden behind the sofa. She gave the thick piece of paper to Lady Lauren before she puts it on the table. With a light push, the paper slides to Rex's side of the table.

Slowly shifting his eyes from Lady Lauren to the paper,

Rex looks at the paper and finds that it is a paper with a drawing on it, the drawing is painted and it's so vivid and detailed which showcases the expert hand behind the painter. It was a drawing of a creature that Rex thought was a Shapeshifter.

Studying it closely, the Shapeshifter is sitting on a table and has a human woman-like figure.

The entirety of its body is pitch black as if its skin is molded by darkness itself, it has short black hair and black furs on its shoulder and thighs with glowing red eyes from the pit of hell itself. For a Shapeshifter, this one has some features on its face.

One can decipher its eyes, nose, and mouth as the face is not black but human-colored.

But the one distinctive trait that Rex instantly catches is that the Shapeshifter's hands are not hands, they were double-edged black blades covered with sizzling dark energy. they look very sharp.

Shifting back his eyes to Lady Lauren, she then sighs and continues.

"That drawing is directly drawn from my memories, it was the Shapeshifter that killed my husband..."

"Unlike what the public knows, my husband didn't die from unnatural sickness. But it was because of a poison given directly by that Shapeshifter, I saw it leaving but I can't pursue it. The Shapeshifter has the ability to even mimic a person's mind, it's hard for me to catch it"

"When I got back, my husband is already choking on the floor with a blackened mouth"

Hearing the story of why she wanted Rex to take that Shapeshifter, he already more or less guessed it. The disgusted expression that he saw before shows that she has resentment toward the Shapeshifter.

It's not surprising to find that the news given to the public is a lie, that's just to not create chaos.

Rex nodded his head in understanding, he was not going to complain about the request since he was already going to hunt a high-rank Shapeshifter. It doesn't matter who the target is, as long as it was a high-rank Shapeshifter then it's not a problem.

But there's one question that still lingers in his mind, "Why didn't you just find it yourself?"

"Well, I already tried it a year ago but it almost killed me. The Five Conversion is very close with the Shapeshifter King, King Oddity, and thus killing that Shapeshifter despite only having mid-seventh rank power is very hard. Now that the Supernatural is expanding inside our territory, there should be a gap in their ranks which makes killing that Shapeshifter possible"

"I am not permitted to pursue the Shapeshifter ever again, but you can..."

Although this Shapeshifter is close with King Oddity which will make this request a hundred times harder, what Lady Lauren said is true as there should be an opportunity to take out the Shapeshifter with the Supernatural expanding inside.

It's a reasonable request, but now Rex will need to present what he wanted.

"With our current lineup, taking down this Shapeshifter is possible... but in return I want you to fill the quota of the Silverstar Family to be sent to the war, Sebrot is pressuring my family non-stop until this matter is taken care of", Rex finally said while studying Lady Lauren's expression.

Seeing her eyebrows creased together, Rex knows that she has some disagreement with this.

"That is a bit much for an exchange, what I ask is a personal vendetta but what your request is a family problem. It will take a huge chunk of my forces to fill your quota of the war", she replied.

But hearing this, Rex already prepared a proposition foreseeing this will happen.

Rex stares calmly at her for a couple of seconds before he finally said clasping his hands together on the table, "What about William, we can make a deal using him..."

"Sir Rex... I thought we're proceeding this meeting in a civil way", Lady Lauren squinted her eyes.

From how Rex says the name William alone, she feels threatened by him bringing it up. In her eyes it's definitely a threat but it was just a misunderstanding, "You misunderstand me Lady Lauren, what I'm trying to say is what if I can make your son, William... an Awakened?"

The words that came out of Rex's mouth are like an exploding bomb inside their heads.

Lady Lauren and Kieran who stands silently on the side widen their eyes in absolute shock, Kieran even steps back upon hearing what he just said, "Matter of fact, I'm not going to make William just an Awakened... But a Mind Elementalist just like the rest of you"

"C-Can you really do that?!", Kieran exclaimed from the side before getting a glare from Lady Lauren.

Although her expression is certainly tempted by Rex's proposition that can clear the major problem of the future heir of the Hester Family, Lady Lauren tries to put on a straight expression despite being very shaken, "Playing around with such a bold claim will get you in trouble, Sir Rex..."

Shing...

Rex takes out a high-affinity orb that is glowing with grey light, he bought it from the shop.

Upon seeing the intense orb of grey energy that they clearly feel as rampaging familiar energy, Lady Lauren's expression finally breaks as she can't help but gasp marveling at the grey affinity orb.

There's no doubt in their faces seeing the affinity orb, it's certainly a treasure.

Despite knowing that she shouldn't act this way in a negotiation such as this, Lady Lauren can't help it as this is the item she needed the most. The moment she shows a clear sign of wanting is the moment she lost the negotiation, and Rex can basically ask whatever he wants.

Cracking a huge smirk, Rex then declared with ease.

"I'll give you this affinity orb, but the terms will be changed"

"Don't worry, I will still give that Shapeshifter to you but in return for this affinity orb your forces will cover the war quota of the Silverstar Family forever..."

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Rex comes out of the Typhoon Circle followed by Kyran.

"Well, that's a success. They completely cave in when they saw the affinity orb...", Kyran commented from the side remembering how fast Lady Lauren agrees in covering the Silverstar Family's quota of war forever.

Hearing this, Rex chuckles lightly but there's a notification in front of him.

p <Does the user wants to buy Soul High-affinity Orb for 10,000 Gold?>

'Although I can buy this Soul High-affinity Orb which is a rarer element than the mind element for William, it's too powerful to be given to someone I don't really know. They just have to be thankful with just that...'

While standing by the black sedan with the door opened by the Awakened guards, Kyran then asks, "What are we going to do now? Are we going to the Supernatural territory?"

"No..."

"You, Adhara, and Evelyn will be going to the Vampire Stronghold", Rex replied firmly.

Kyran was confused as to why they needed to go to the Vampire stronghold, but he trust Rex enough that there was something going on there, "Two of us should be enough right? Adhara is training and I think me and Evelyn can handle it"

"I don't like what the demons are doing, they're suspicious"

"Unless my guess is mistaken, the Vampires are going to do something there as the Demon attracts the attention from our side. You three are going to be there, fighting mid-seventh rank Supernatural will not be a problem for you three. And Adhara is needed there", Rex explained clearly.

But this makes Kyran even more confused, "What do you mean Adhara is needed?"

"Well... you won't believe what she just evolved into...", Rex mutters giving Kyran a mysterious smirk.

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Meanwhile, Rex's mansion in sector 2.

Adhara is sitting in a meditative position inside the training ground building, her eyes are closed as her fire and wind mana sizzles around her body. But if one looks closer, there's a subtle white energy intertwining with the elemental mana.

It dances in sync and brought a devastating chilly aura,

Crack!

A boney sound can be heard as Adhara's fingernails slowly turn into claws, but the claws that were supposed to be steel black came out sharp silvery white. The white energy becomes more intense as she opens her eyes revealing her glowing white eyes.

Soon a smirk appears on Adhara's face as she cracks the bones in her hands menacingly.

Chapter 512 Dark Piece Of Art

"Sir Denzel, the demons have fortified their stronghold and are now amassing their forces to spread into our territory. I already sent a messenger to the nearest cities and warn them about the possible invasion, but they won't be able to evacuate in time", a Cessation Knight said while kneeling on the ground.

The man called Denzel that is sitting in a big tent with devastating wounds around his body looks up to look at the Cessation Knight, there's a healer on his side that is currently healing him.

Intense green energy cloaks his body like a layer of a blanket as his wounds slowly healed.

From the sheer amount of energy gathered into the green cloak of healing, the healer must be a very high-rank healer if he can even heal the wounds of a ninth-rank Awakened. But the tension inside the tent is high and the healing process feels like an eternity.

Just a couple of hours ago, the attack on the demon stronghold failed.

Denzel is the only capable Awakened here that can pose a threat to the Archdemons of the Demon Kingdom, there are three Archdemons there including the blue fiery demon that has a ninth rank power just like King Saruth.

Even with their sheer number beating the Supernatural side 2 to 1, it's still impossible to win.

Although they have the number over the Supernatural, most of their numbers come from the military and they are all regular men and women. Their strongest weapon can only pose a threat to a fifth rank Awakened at max.

It's a huge improvement from the last weapon model, but it's almost useless in this war.

Only the distraction created by the barrage of bullets can give enough time for stronger Awakened to retreat if necessary, aside from that, the weapons can only kill lower demons and that too requires a couple of clips.

Possessing three Archdemons on their sides, Denzel's forces lost the battle halfway through collapsing the demon stronghold's wall. They just need a little bit more but unfortunately still bested.

Now the demon stronghold's protection array formation has been completed fully.

This protection array formation is devastatingly bad news for humanity side, the demons now don't need to protect their stronghold that much and can focus on going on the offensive.

Just like what the Cessation Knight reported before, the demons are getting ready to attack.

Prang!!

Denzel grabs a drinking steel water bottle and threw it to the ground angrily as his eyes burn with fire, his fits of anger that he's feeling right now burning his face in reading as he looks to the ground thinking. The loss will be devastating if he doesn't take action as soon as possible.

Many cities are defenseless without much support, and the demons pose a very huge threat.

"Where is the reinforcement, we needed them here now!! Our current forces can only handle two or three legions of demons to intercept their advancement, but more than that we can't handle"

"The reinforcement will get here in a week's time, it'll take them a while.

Hearing this Denzel curses once again standing up abruptly before pacing around the room, "That cursed blue demon... how is it have the ability almost as powerful as King Saruth? Where did the demons hide that thing?!"

If not for the blue demon, the Cessation Knight will not lose the fight.

Using only one of his spells, the blue demon is able to kill hundreds of military men with just a swing of its black spear. Denzel is distracted by the two other Archdemons and this is the result. Losing the war is the result of the surprise by the Demons.

"Creates a couple of platoons to intercept the demon's advancement, we will need to fight"

"Call back the teams we sent to patrol, every one of them. And also, ask the Awakened in the nearest city to reinforce our perimeter too. It doesn't matter where they are from as long as they are able to help us", Denzel finally commanded firmly, he doesn't have any other choice.

Leaving the further away cities unprotected to reinforce the nearest city is the only option.

It will at least increase the probability of the near city surviving the invasion from the demons, but the Cessation Knight kneeling in front of him suddenly said, "But sir..."

"What about the defensive line in front of the Vampire Stronghold, they might need the Awakened we're going to call for help too if they're attacked. Aren't we risking too much, why don't we focus our defense in core cities?"

But upon hearing this, Denzel glares at the Cessation Knight sharply forcing him to look down.

The rapid breathing and the cold sweat wetting the palm of his hands show the nervousness and anger he's feeling, without even the Cessation Knight saying it Denzel knows about that, "Are you saying that we're going to abandon other cities to die?! Is that what you're saying?!!"

Like a thunderous roar, Denzel pointed and shouted at the Cessation Knight.

No matter how dire the situation is they still need to put human lives as a priority, abandoning the low-priority cities will mean the death of hundreds of thousands of lives. It's a mountain of corpses.

Imagining it himself, Denzel becomes angrier the more he thought about it.

"We might be in a war against the Supernatural, but our ultimate goal is still protecting humanity. It's going to be a disgrace for us to leave our people to be butchered. My decision is firm, we're going to do my plan and buy time for the reinforcement of the SCO to come"

"Do you have any more questions, captain...?", Denzel asks squinting his eyes sharply.

Without even the need to raise his gaze, the Cessation Knight already knows the expression Denzel is wearing right now. The expression of sheer anger from what he just said before, "No, sir!"

"Then get to work and get out of my sight!"

Upon the Cessation Knight leaving the big tent, Denzel sits back down on his chair roughly.

The healer that kept silent all this while continued healing Denzel without even saying anything, but with a gloomy look Denzel looks into the void as he's getting healed, "I just hope the other side is not attacked too, but they are there so it should be fine..."

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Meanwhile, on the other side of the human territory.

An onslaught starting to spread like germs in a trash bin, maggots in corpses, dyeing everything the eyes can see with blood-red color. A grotesque stage that delights the nocturnal creature that has darkness and evilness as their friends.

The scent of blood in this place is so thick that a mutation occurred in the nature around the place.

Green lush trees starting to have their leaves fall despite not being the autumn season, even the leaves hanging or already on the ground have already turned red mutating into a plant called Bloody Temple Juniper.

With its leaves mutating alongside the tree, blood energy starts to ooze out of the leaves.

Alongside the dyed red scenery filled with the mutated trees, hundreds if not thousands of human corpses are littered around as if they were nothing, perfecting the haunting scene into a complete piece of dark art.

One trait is shared by all of the human corpses here, the work of devilish creatures.

Each one of them is impaled on a tree, a house, and even a tall and thick pole in the middle, they all are also headless as their skull was ripped from their heads and placed neatly circling a pool of blood that looks like a huge pond.

"KYAAA!!"

"DEAR GOD, SAVE ME!!"

Screams and shrill of horror can be heard inside this rough village that has gone through hell.

Fanged creatures in black outfits chase after them like hungry animals sweeping the entire village out of life, their red glowing eyes and pale skins point them as the obvious race they are, Vampires.

Coming out of the red forest, two Vampires in fancy armor are followed by an elf.

Upon seeing the sight of the villagers that are ruthlessly disrespected even in death from how they are impaled, Calidora widen her eyes before her surprised expression quickly turns into a frown, "Why did they do this to them? These humans are filthy but they are still civilians..."

"Princess, fear is a necessary instrument to be used in war. You must understand this"

Despite getting consolation from Queen Shanaela, Calidora shakes her head angrily refusing to be consoled with such a scene in front of her eyes, "I know that we're in war with the humans, but we need to show that we're not ruthless to civilians"

"If we show them that we gave these humans a swift death, then they will start to do the same"

"Hurt as much you want to be hurt, that's what I believe in. I don't want our civilians going to suffer like this because of our doings", Calidora rebutted glancing at Queen Shanaela before taking down the impaled humans as much as she can.

Seth who watches this from the side stops Calidora, he gave her a look of disapproval.

Realizing that Calidora will not listen if he just told her to stop, Seth then mutters warningly, "Princess, King Solomon will not like it if he knew about this. The others will also not like this attitude coming from their princess"

"If you really don't want to be this ruthless, we can destroy the pool of blood"

Upon hearing her father's name being brought up, Calidora clicks her tongue helplessly before she heads to the pool of blood intending to destroy it. It's not necessary to make this pool of blood just to mock the humans further.

Venting her anger on the pool of blood, Calidora's vampiric eyes are activated.

With nothing but a glare from her devious red eyes, the pool of blood exploded making the place shower with blood for a couple of seconds as the skulls rolls around the ground. Not satisfied yet, Calidora destroyed the skulls with a blood needle she created.

Only the impaled headless corpses remain that Calidora didn't touch in respect for her father.

Seth nodded his head finding that Calidora is at least still reasonable realizing that many Vampires around them are already giving her a disapproving look, but he quickly added, "Let's kill the other captured humans, we're here to feed the Blood Devourer after all"

Despite feeling frustrated, Calidora complies as she turns and walks away.

Queen Shanaela and Seth look at each other before both of them sigh, "With this progression, the mission will take too long and it might endanger the princess. This village has the most humans from the villages we come across, and it's still simply not enough"

"I know... but the demons are not launching their attack yet. We need them to attack first before we can raid a bigger and more important city, the report shows that there's two ninth rank Awakened around this place", Seth replied remembering the report she got when they went past the Vampire Stronghold.

With two ninth rank Awakened around, they can't be reckless and attack bigger cities.

Calidora is the princess of the Vampire Kingdom, she's the only sole Vampire that will inherit the Kingdom if something happened to King Solomon or Queen Nezera. She's a prized possession.

"Our origin sent a test for us... he deliberately let Calidora holds the Blood Devourer"

"Giving the Blood Devourer to King Solomon or even others just to feed it with blood will be a heavy insult to the Origin, the Origin forced us to accompany Princess Calidora in feeding the Blood Devourer. Maybe there's a meaning behind all of this...", Seth mutters before looking at the sky asking for certainty from the Vampire Origin.

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Meanwhile, Rex's mansion in sector 2.

"What are you doing dear...?", Robert who is playing a game on his phone asks when he saw Mrs. Greene tying her hair into a ponytail before heading to the door.

Stopping in her tracks, Mrs. Greene then said, "I'm going to make ginger chicken soup..."

"Ginger chicken soup? Who's sick? You only made that when I'm sick"

"Today I overheard Rex's conversation with people from the new crow organization, he mentioned that Ryze got a sickness and turned into a Supernatural! Isn't that crazy?"

"Ey... are you sure you heard that right?"

Robert who heard the surprising news takes away his attention off of his phone and positions himself to sit on the bed, there's a sliver hint of doubt in his expression that doesn't believe what his wife overheard.

But he still feels alert from realizing that there's a Supernatural in their mansion.

The news about the demonic cities is still hot despite happening a couple of months ago, the fact that a human can be turned into a Supernatural by the opposing side is pretty horrifying to think of.

Ignoring her husband's doubting gaze, Mrs. Greene left the room and headed to the kitchen.

A couple of minutes later,

Since the night has already dawned on the sky and it's already a little late, the lights on the hallway heading to the backyard are already dark with the others training in their own respective room. Mrs. Greene wanted to ask Rex about this matter but he seems busy after getting back from the meeting with Hester Family.

In that case, she decided to skip asking him and just went straight to Ryze.

Upon arriving at the small house in the backyard, Mrs. Greene doesn't see Tandu anywhere who usually sits around the small house, 'He might've gone to the toilet...', keeping a positive thought, Mrs. Greene enters the small house.

Creating a creaking sound, the door opened slowly revealing Ryze lying unconscious on the bed.

There's an oxygen mask on the side of the desk but Mrs. Greene didn't question it as she doesn't know the condition Ryze is in aside from being a Supernatural, she creeps closer and sits on the edge of the bed.

Putting the tray on the desk beside the bed, Mrs. Greene looks at Ryze's peaceful expression.

But just as she was looking at Ryze's face with a blank mind, "Rex, don't... don't leave me..."

"Hmmm?", Mrs. Greene snaps out of her blank mind upon hearing Ryze muttering softly, he seems to be dreaming about Rex. His sleeping expression turns into an anxious one as cold sweat drip down the side of his face.

"I- I'm not useless... I'll do it then, I'll become a Werewolf..."

Mrs. Greene heard the soft mutters before a frown appeared on her face, "Why is he dreaming about Rex, and what does a Werewolf have to do with Rex?", with Ryze being so deep in his sleep, she then decided to leave the tray on the desk and let him rest.

While walking back to the mansion, Mrs. Greene kept thinking about what Ryze just said.

She intended to tell Robert about what she just heard but stopped when she walked past a door, there was a scratching sound coming from inside which piqued her attention.

'It should be Gistella's room, what is she doing in there?'

Feeling a little bit curious as the house is emptier than usual, Mrs. Greene wanted to knock on the door but finds the door is opened. She pushes the door slowly and finds Gistella sitting in a meditative position on the bed.

Although it's rather dark, the moonlight illuminates the room enough for her to be seen.

But slowly Mrs. Greene's eyes enlarged seeing Gistella's fingernails are not fingernails, but they were claws instead. It came as a shock to her as she mutters, "W-Werewolf...?"

Just as she mutters that Gistella's eyes suddenly jolted open.

Her piercing animalistic yellow eyes look directly at the door making Mrs. Greene stumbles back in utter shock, she crawls back while still fixating her eyes on the half-opened door of Gistella's room. And she suddenly felt her back hit something but it was definitely not the wall.

With the fright she's feeling, Mrs. Greene lets out a high-pitch scream, "KYAAA!!!"

Chapter 513 Heavy Blunder

The scream of terror reverberated in the entire mansion as Mrs. Greene screamed in utter horror, she just saw that Gistella that looks lovely and very polite suddenly has claws and piercing yellow eyes. Anyone in her position will also be scared.

Her body is shaking as she curled on the ground grabbing her head with both hands.

Although she has seen that Rex has an association with the Supernatural such as Ugrok whom she met before, a Werewolf is a different story for her. Nobody can refute if they know her past.

Not only Rex but Mrs. Greene is also traumatized from that same night.

It was the devious eyes that are looking at her as if she was nothing but food, the pair jewels straight from the darkness, something that she too can't forget despite it occurred years ago. Maybe because of that, she has the urge to take Rex under her wing.

Knowing that she even traumatized herself, the effect is definitely stronger on a kid like Rex.

"Ma'am, are you okay...?", the soothing yet familiar voice seeped into Mrs. Greene's ears, she pulls her up and saw that Gistella is looking at her from the back. Turns out her back hits Gistella's legs.

But this made Mrs. Greene confused, she looks at Gistella before looking back at the room.

"W-Wait... h-how can y-you be here, I- I saw you inside...", Mrs. Greene mutters but she got a confused look as a reply from Gistella, if she just was about to go inside her room then the one inside shouldn't be Gistella.

There's only one Gistella, so this confuses her to no end.

Mrs. Greene stands up with the help of Gistella before she went inside the room hesitantly, she looks around the room and finds that no one is inside. She held her head in utter confusion, it was late in the night and she was presented with this kind of situation.

Although she trusts what she saw, Gistella comes from outside not inside the room.

It couldn't be her that she saw inside the room, that wouldn't explain how Gistella come from outside if what she was seeing is true, "I might've gone crazy...", Mrs. Greene mutters shaking her head in disbelief.

"Do you want me to accompany you back to your room, ma'am?"

Gistella offers politely seeing that Mrs. Greene is sweating and seems to be dizzy, she fears that she might not be able to get back to her room safely. But Mrs. Greene politely refuses with a gentle smile.

After saying that, Mrs. Greene bids Gistella goodnight before she went back upstairs heading into her room. Mrs. Greene's body can be evidently seen still trembling from what just happened, her footsteps make a light thudding sound before she finally reaches for the door.

But as soon as she enters her room, Gistella falls onto her knees.

"I'm sorry, master..."

Without even needing to look back, she can already feel Rex's presence standing behind her. Even his shadow with the moonlight behind him already shrouded Gistella's entire body in darkness, and his cold eyes show clearly that he's displeased.

Fearing that Rex's anger will climb higher, Gistella immediately explained herself.

"I- I was focusing on getting u-used to transforming my body that I was caught off guard by her appearance, s-she has never gone inside my room... I d-didn't expect that she would- I'm sorry..."

Albeit scrambling with her words, Gistella tries to explain herself.

What Mrs. Greene saw earlier is certainly Gistella, she was also surprised to see Mrs. Greene peeking into the room and just as Mrs. Greene stumbles back she has quickly gone outside the window of her room and came from the backyard.

Gistella move so quickly that Mrs. Greene didn't even notice she came from the backyard.

It was her quick thinking realizing that Mrs. Greene saw her hands are claws and she need to do something to convince Mrs. Greene that she saw it wrong and seems like it works judging from Mrs. Greene's reaction to seeing her.

But then again, this shouldn't happen in the first place with how powerful a Werewolf's senses are.

The senses of a Werewolf can be said to be the most sensitive out of the Supernatural race, especially their smelling sense which is certainly the strongest. For her to do such a blunder makes Rex fuming in anger.

His face is burning in anger, Gistella should've been able to sense Mrs. Greene before she even gets near her room let alone peek inside the room.

Rex was meditating in the throne room when he heard his mother scream at the top of her lungs, he thought that someone is attacking the mansion but it turns out it was Gistella's doing instead. He already watches them from the second floor unknowingly by Mrs. Greene.

Of course, Gistella already knows he's watching from the second floor.

In fact, even Edward, Kyran, and Adhara also already noticed their exchange but kept in hiding so that Gistella can convince Mrs. Greene otherwise. It's going to be harder if they intervene.

With slow but deadly steps, Rex walks around Gistella before stopping right in front of her.

Grabbing Gistella's face with clear anger on his grim face, Rex forces her to look at him which has his fangs protruding out of his mouth sharply. Dark energy already starts to cloak his four sharp fangs while he glares at Gistella, "My mother has a trauma of Werewolves..."

"And your carelessness makes her remember that night again", Rex mutters grimly.

Although he has already opened up to Adhara about his past when his parents are killed, Gistella doesn't know about his past and also the fact that Mrs. Greene is present that night and witnessed everything that happened.

Despite her trying to cover it up, there are some days that Rex noticed her weird behavior.

Being scared when she's alone in the darkness, sweating when she saw the news about Werewolves, and many other instances throughout his life lead to him knowing that she's also traumatized.

In fact, that trauma is why Mrs. Greene really likes shopping and being in a crowded place.

Mrs. Greene is also the one that consoled him during visiting time when he was still in the Noob Box, she knows exactly what Rex has always dreamt about that night, and experiencing it herself makes her know the pain he felt every day.

Saying that she was the most precious person in the world for Rex is an understatement.

Tears started to well up in Gistella's beautiful blue eyes and it didn't take long for her eyes unable to contain the tears and let them fall down her cheek, but despite her pitiful look, there was not a hint of mercy in Rex's eyes.

Rex activates his newly gained skill amplified by the Countess,

Back during snapping out of his rampage in the Vampire territory, he finished an achievement and gained the Royal Bite skill that got turned into the ultimate form by the Countess into Absolute Predominance Fangs skill.

This is the first time using the skill, Rex's fangs got cloaked with the dark moonlight energy.

It's a skill that is similar to his Berserker's Curse skill that can turn moonlight energy into the blood moonlight energy, but this Absolute Predominance Fangs skill converts moonlight into dark moonlight energy.

Although Rex has never used it, he has read the description of the skill.

Basically, this skill is like the ultimate form of a wolf bite that can instill dominance, induce pain, and weaken the target that he bites and it's an absolute skill that means unable to be resisted if the target doesn't have any skill similar in terms of power.

Werewolves in the legend are known to have a very deadly bite, this is the ultimate form of that.

Rex grabs Gistella's head by the hair before he tilts her head to the side, he then leans his face closer to her exposed neck intending to bite her. The pain and agony that she will feel after the bite will be her punishment for her hurtful blunder, she didn't resist and just let Rex do whatever he wants.

She didn't deny that it was her fault and that she deserved to be punished.

But just as Rex was about to bite her neck using the Absolute Predominance Fangs skill, Adhara who is watching from the side intervenes, "Stop!"

Growl!

With his eyes glowing red, Rex turns his neck at Adhara startling her.

"L-Let me be the one to punish her, I'll challenge her in a fight. Don't worry, I won't go easy on her", Adhara hesitated at first seeing the wrathful look on Rex's face but she decided to go on with her proposal.

But upon hearing this, Kyran glanced at her with a frown.

Although she said it so confidently, Kyran looks at her in doubt knowing their strength.

Despite not being talked about with the current circumstances they are in, everyone knows and acknowledges that Gistella is the strongest pack member just under the Alpha. She has seventh rank power and even her innate bloodline ability is basically broken.

It's clear that her bloodline, Werewolf Fiend is a bloodline innately for combat.

Not only does her bloodline has the highest potential for combat, but she is also adept in defense-skill that she already learned from the Undead making her devastating support to the pack.

Hearing Adhara openly said that she won't hold back makes Kyran sneer.

'What is she saying? How can she punish Gistella if the fact that she will prevail is still doubtful', Kyran thought shaking his head, he definitely trusts that Rex will not even consider her proposal as it was too ridiculous.

But contrary to his expectation, the words that came from Rex's mouth shocked him.

"Fine...", Rex said letting go of Gistella's hair roughly.

Kyran was utterly baffled hearing that Rex agreed to the proposal, he was not expecting Rex to accept Adhara's proposal at all. This prompted Kyran to gaze at Adhara in disbelief, 'I sensed that she's different and should be because her bloodline just evolved, but what on earth did she turn into?'

'Gistella is an absolute monster, how can her bloodline cover that huge gap...?'

It's still surreal for him to witness this, Rex agreeing basically means that he trusts that Adhara is able to beat Gistella in a fight. That alone shows that he recognized Adhara as that powerful.

<Combat Stake>

Recommended Time of the Battle: 2 Days from now, nighttime!

Occupation: Female Alpha

Hierarchy Rank: 1st

Winner Battle Reward: 4% Evolution Process

<Does the user Adhara Alpenore challenge Gistella in a hierarchy fight?>

'Yes...'

Rex replied in his head before shifting his gaze back to Adhara, he walks closer to Adhara before he stops just in front of her with a cold look, "I'll let you be the one to punish Gistella for her blunder, but if I see you hesitate then I'm going to bite you instead and let Gistella off the hook. Is that okay with you?"

Hearing the grim cold tone Rex is using, Adhara felt her throat dry.

Although she has seen Rex angry numerous times and even went berserk, the anger he's feeling right now is completely sane without any influence of his Werewolf side. It's outright terrifying.

But Adhara knows that she did the right thing,

From the past he told, she knows that Rex will not hold back on Gistella.

One might think that it's not something heavy if Mrs. Greene knows that Gistella is a Werewolf, she knows that Rex has some Supernatural pet and Rex can just bluff and say that Gistella is also another one of his Supernatural pets.

It seems easy, but that is not the point.

Rex is angry because Mrs. Greene is there that night, and Gistella just awoke her nightmare again.

That alone makes the anger bubbling inside him reach an insurmountable height of his calmness, it's not a surprise if he will beat Gistella half death if Adhara didn't intervene.

"Okay... I have no problem with that", Adhara finally replied.

With that out of the way, Rex gazes at Adhara's eyes for a couple of seconds longer before turning away. He heads to the second floor intending to check on Mrs. Greene, "The Challenge will be done two days from now at the same time as now", Rex said before ascending the stairs.

After he left, Gistella wiped her tears before she went back to her room hanging her head low.

Ever since she becomes a Werewolf the innate desire of pleasing Rex has been there all along, but now she just wrecked everything from that one blunder she did. She's cursing herself inside her head non-stop.

She didn't even say anything to Adhara and Kyran and just went back to her room and close the door.

Adhara can only sigh as this shouldn't be happening as there are more things to prepare for, but just as she was about to head back she saw Kyran looking at her curiously, "Since when did you get the confidence in beating Gistella?"

"Just about a couple of days"

"It's your bloodline huh... I can sense your change but what did you turn into?"

Narrowing his eyes peeringly, Kyran is definitely curious as to what kind of Werewolf she turns into. He also feels that he was nearing his evolution, and this makes him anticipate his evolution more.

Giving Kyran a smirk, Adhara then replied, "You'll see..."

"Do you reckon that you can also beat me then?", Kyran asks as his dark element starts to rile.

This makes Adhara's fangs sharpen as she gives him a condescending smile, "I'm the Female Alpha, before my bloodline evolution I'm still stronger than you. Or do you have other thoughts, Kyran...?"

"Stronger than me huh...", Kyran mutters softly with a hint of disapproval.

But before he can say more, Adhara continues, "Sadly, we can't undo the time and duke it out. I already evolved into a higher being. As for our future fight, in two days' time, you're going to see my power"

"And when you do, you're going to realize that even if you evolve you will still unable to beat me"

Chapter 514 Pep Talk

The next day,

Rex is sitting in the throne room with his face buried in his hand remembering the incident last night, he thought that with their current sensitive sense this kind of problem wouldn't arise.

But he was wrong, this kind of thing is inevitable.

Although nothing has happened to his parents living together with the others, he can't deny the fact that most of the people inside the mansion are Supernaturals with most of them being Werewolves belonging to his pack. Only Edward is the only human left aside from his parents.

Last night when he checks on his mother, she was definitely not okay.

Rex comes inside their room with the excuse of telling them that he was about to be away for a couple of days in the near future, but throughout the conversation, he can see that Mrs. Greene spaced out a couple of times.

It's mostly Robert that is engaged in the conversation asking him about the matter.

Despite trying to sound fine and even putting on a strong smile, Rex knew that Mrs. Greene is not okay and she was going to be having the same nightmare of that night again. This made him angrier the more he thought about it.

Mostly it's his fault for being too relaxed around his parents, but this is the safest place.

Placing his parents in another mansion will make him exposed to the other 25 Golden Crest Families with some of them still hostile, buying a mansion in sector 2 is out of the equation as it wouldn't be possible.

Even the top three families of the 25 Golden Crest only have one mansion here.

If the rules of sector 2 are not tight then most of them should own a couple of properties here, but in reality, they don't. So there must be something that prevent them from doing that, and making a deal with Sebprof just for another mansion is not a good idea.

Sebprof is the only one that has the authority to grant him another mansion, and he will definitely twist the agreement to favor him so much that buying the mansion is not worth it.

While thinking about that, Rex massages his forehead with a sigh.

Throughout the night, he already kept himself busy raising his Lunar Light element side into the peak of fifth rank. He just finished meditating and now he can assimilate with a spirit before he finally stepped into the sixth rank realm and achieved his Exalted bloodline.

But immediately after he stopped meditating, the worry he felt for his mother drowned in him.

Rex shakes his head before he opened the Sudden Quest he got from making a deal with the Hester Family, to take his anxious mind off of Mrs. Greene that should still be sleeping. Perhaps currently having a nightmare of that night.

<Sudden Quest>

In exchange for fulfilling the war contribution quota of the Silverstar Family, the user made a deal with Lady Lauren from the Hester Family asking to kill a Shapeshifter that poisoned her husband. This Shapeshifter is a powerful Supernatural belonging to the Five Conversion. Bring the designated Shapeshifter to Lady Lauren to complete this quest.

Quest Reward: 15 Skill Upgrade, 30,000,000,000 Exp, Substance of Dynamic Armaments

From the quest reward of the sudden quest, Rex knows that this quest should be pretty hard. Lady Lauren said that this Five Conversion of the Shapeshifter is close with its King, so it doesn't surprise Rex that it's going to be hard.

Despite the difficulty of any quest, solid planning is all he needed to tackle the mission.

Rex doesn't know anything about Shapeshifter aside from the surface-level knowledge of Shapeshifter that has invulnerable skin that is a bane for Earth-related Elementalist. It can shapeshift into anything even the scent and DNA.

It's basically a perfect sabotage machine of the Supernatural, nigh perfect race of assassins.

'System, I would like to buy information about the Shapeshifter Race'

<Information about the Shapeshifter Race costs 8,000 Gold, does the user wants to continue?>

'Yes...'

Just after buying the information from the system, concise and abundant information got uploaded into his brain as he closes his eyes and let his mind absorb all of the information. His brain feels like a computer that is being uploaded with a file of everything about Shapeshifter.

Two minutes later, the process ended as Rex opens his eyes.

Unlike the legend that classified Werewolves as a part of Shapeshifter, the Shapeshifter in reality is in fact a race of its own. But just like Werewolf Race, they had a similar hierarchy with the presence of an Alpha.

The Alpha of a Werewolf can be differentiated by its aura while the Alpha of a Shapeshifter can be differentiated by its ashy-colored skin compared to the normal white and featureless face.

Lower-rank Shapeshifter has features on their faces but not an Alpha.

Aside from the color of its skin and the feature of its face that differentiates an Alpha from a regular Shapeshifter, the Alpha can shapeshift into a target with nothing but a glance and the shape-shifting process is way faster than regular.

Based on the system, the lowest of the low Shapeshifter needs to shed their skin to shapeshift. Not only that, but they also need to touch the target they want to shapeshift into or gather information about the target for quite some time.

While the highest of the high Alpha Shapeshifter doesn't do all of that.

Only nothing but a simple glance is enough for an Alpha Shapeshifter to shapeshift into their target, and some of the powerful Alpha Shapeshifters can even mimic the target's power perfectly.

'Their weakness is silver and lightning, it's to my advantage but...'

'I don't think relying on my lightning element alone will be a good measure'

Remembering that his target is an elite force of the Shapeshifter Race that is very close to the King, Rex can bet that they wore something that will protect them from lightning. Compensating for their weakness is basic, and they certainly know that.

Just as he was about to think of a plan to confront the Five Conversion, Rex senses something.

Looking out of the window that is only having the sign of the early sun that was about to come out, Rex stands up from his throne before heading outside. The sound of the Awakened Guards outside talking can be heard, 'She moved quickly, I don't blame her though...'

After opening the front door, Rex saw dozens of trucks lined up in front of his house.

The trucks look like military trucks but the aura oozing out of the trucks shows that the people inside are all Awakened, and that shows the trucks don't belong to the military despite their deceiving appearance.

One of the Awakened guards approached him from the side.

"Sir, Rex... they identify themselves as Awakened that wanted to join the Silverstar Family"

"Let them in and did the goods arrive yet?"

"They have arrived last night, we placed them inside the training ground"

"Okay, tell them to change into their outfits and be ready to head out. We're going straight to the UWO main office"

Rex commanded the Awakened guards while looking at the Awakened coming down from the trucks that are numbering in the hundreds, they all vary in strength as some of them have a fifth rank, sixth rank, and even seventh rank power.

It's the Awakened sent by Lady Lauren as per the deal of their agreement.

With the High Mind Affinity stone given to her, Rex asks her to send the Awakened per the agreement quickly to his mansion so that he can fill the quota of the Silverstar Family.

For secrecy's sake, these Awakened are picked up from cities outside of Ratmawati City.

Pring eyes of the 25 Golden Crest Families and even the UWO are basically everywhere, they need to make this kind of effort as a formality to not be too obvious with the Awakened Rex gathered out of nowhere.

Sebrof will definitely be suspicious of the Awakened he amassed, but it's not a problem.

As long as the quote for the Awakened is fulfilled, he can talk his way out of Sebrof even though he probably knew that he asked for help from other families. Declining his contribution just because of the Awakened background will just taint the UWO's name badly.

They are in a war, every help will be appreciated and Sebrof will not be able to refuse this batch.

Just about an hour later,

Rex got out of the mansion once again when an Awakened guard notify them that the Awakened are ready, he steps out of the mansion and was instantly greeted by the scene of neatly lined up Awakened wearing silver outfits.

Each one of them wore a dark grey attire with a Silverstar crest on their right shoulder.

It was the official outfit for the Silverstar Family's Awakened, they are designed by the Reed and Platchi Family as Rex doesn't have the time to arrange this personally. The attire is a dark grey trench coat for most of the with the inner black vest and dark grey pants.

Dark grey gloves are equipped alongside the official attire, it gives a simplistic yet domineering vibe that no one will look down upon. The grey trench coat has a protection rune engraved that can create a thin-layered barrier, and the Silverstar crest is made of a stone called Ashy Tybyite.

Ashy Tybyite can glow in the night and contain extracted silver energy.

Rex nodded his head seeing that the outfit turns out better than he expected, and with that, he steps forward before he looks at the newly appointed Silverstar Awakened in the eyes one by one. His air is that of a leader sternly scanning at the hundreds of Awakened.

One of the Awakened wears a lighter-colored grey trench coat, and she's the strongest of them all.

"As for now, you are all baptized as the Silverstar Family's Awakened. I welcome you to the rank of our family and even though our union is planned, I hope that Lady Lauren doesn't force any of you to come here at all"

Signaling to one of the Awakened guards on the side, Rex then looks back and continues.

"Although your presence here is planned, I'm not going to let you guys die in the furnace of war against the Supernatural easily. On your right shoulder, you can see a Silverstar crest, the crest of our family..."

Many of the Awakened glance at their right shoulders and finds what Rex is talking about, it's made of Ashy Tybyite and looks just like an ornament of the outfit. But that's not the case.

"You there, what's your name?", Rex pointed at the strongest Awakened of the batch.

Hearing this, the woman standing in front of the neatly lined Awakened on her back with glowing grey eyes was surprised when Rex pointed at her, "My name is Ellen, sir!"

"Touch the Silverstar crest, Ellen"

After hearing the instruction, Ellen looks at the Silverstar crest on her right shoulder before confusedly touching it gently. But immediately after she touched it, the entire outfit glows with a grey hue brightly.

Ellen was caught off guard as she closed her eyes,

When she opened her eyes feeling the bright grey light has already dimmed, she was greeted by her entire outfit glowing with a grey hue that turns into grey sparkles as it falls to the ground.

"The Silverstar crest is not just an ornament, but upon touching it the entire outfit will go into battle mode. In this mode, you will be invulnerable to fifth rank and lower spells and also emit an extracted silver energy burning any Supernatural that touches you"

Upon hearing this, the newly appointed Awakened can't help but widen their eyes.

Even the Awakened guards can't help but marvel at the outfit, they are even jealous that the newly appointed Awakened got the very helpful outfit while they don't. But then again, they are guarding the mansion so they don't need an anti-Supernatural outfit.

All of them gave Rex the look of marvel and awe,

Looking at their surprised look, Rex nodded his head in confirmation, "That costs me 1,000,000 gold"

'I would be devastated if they're not at all surprised and awed by the outfit...', Rex thought wryly as he just burn a huge chunk of his gold to buy these outfits for hundreds of Awakened, it's for the sake of strengthening them in the war.

But the newly appointed Awakened's attention was attracted to the Awakened guards bringing a crate full of weapons, they all Silver-oriented weapons for them to use against the Supernatural.

Very durable, and effective in a prolonged fight against the Supernatural.

While the weapons are being distributed to the newly appointed Awakened sent by Lady Lauren, Rex then continues his speech of welcoming these Awakened that will soon join the war.

"The war against the Supernatural is brutal, and make no mistake that some of you will die"

"My only request is that you take at least ten of them down before falling yourself, the barrier is set high because you will bear my name during your time in the war. I don't want you all to give a pitiful show, not to the damned Supernaturals."

"Manifest the sheer might and terror that an Awakened can bring, force them to feel fear they have never experienced before, and more importantly show give no mercy to any Supernaturals in your path. Despite our planned union, you are without a doubt a member of the Silverstar Family.

"You have my full faith, and know that I too will join you soon"

"As your leader, I've given you equipment that will help you win. I've been in the military, I've been to war, I've seen my comrades die, and I sure know that every little advantage will help immensely. Those equipment is the way of me saying that"

"For each one of you has something to fight for, and if you're going down at least make it worth it"

"Welcome to the family..."

After giving his pep talk, Rex turns around before heading back inside to prepare for his departure while the newly appointed Awakened felt their bodies burn as they all roared brimming with passion upon hearing the speech.

Chapter 515 Important News

"How does it feel... possessing the highest rank bloodline just below me?"

Inside the master bedroom of the mansion, Rex closed the closet after changing into a more official attire since he will be going to the UWO main office. Handing over the war quota of the Silverstar Family must be done in person by the head family, so Rex needs to go there.

Sitting on the bed is Adhara gazing at Rex with her elegant eyes, she hasn't slept at all for days.

Looking at Rex already clad in a suit and tie, she was mesmerized by the effect of the suit and tie that made Rex looks dashing and sharp. It brings a whole other feeling, and it's been a while since she saw Rex in this kind of clothing.

"I feel..."

"I feel like a Female Alpha..."

p Adhara mutters softly feeling the power coursing in her body, her eyes glowing white briefly.

Hearing the confident tone coming from her mouth makes Rex nod his head, but soon his expression turns hard as he turns his body to face Adhara. With his eyebrows lowered, Rex then added, "Good, because if you hold back then I'll be shifting the blame to you"

It's unfair for Adhara but then again she was the one that proposed this deal and accepted it.

There's no going back now since the fight between her and Gistella is already time, and Rex already allows their fight through the system. It can't be canceled unless there's a necessary emergency.

"How's your mother doing? Is the shock that great?"

"She's managing, but clearly shaken by that incident. I'll check her again before I go"

Rex's expression tightens upon hearing his mother being brought up, he's clearly still angry about that incident. He's standing in front of a mirror while trying to tie his tie, the slight anger inside of him makes it hard for him to finish his tie.

It comes to the point that his breathing becomes rapid, panting while roughly making his tie.

Adhara stands up upon seeing this before she takes over, she gently pushes Rex's hands away before making his tie with her soft fingers. While she was making his tie, Rex can only look away.

"Are you going to the UWO main office alone?"

"No, I'll be going with Edward"

With Adhara making the tie, it's finished in a couple of seconds.

Tapping Rex's chest lightly before turning to look at their reflection in the mirror, Adhara then leans her head on Rex's chest and said, "About the Vampire stronghold, do you really think Calidora will be there?"

"I'm not sure... but the demons are very tricky, I simply do not believe that they are making huge movements in their stronghold without a huge reason. Just like your father's city, they always move with a hidden agenda"

"Vampires and Demons have worked together, I know that from the attack on the Great Barricade. It makes sense for them to work together again, but if Calidora is there..."

Rex glances at Adhara's expression through the reflection in the mirror and saw her troubled.

Although the brief encounter with Calidora is only brief, it was an impactful one. Calidora got decapitated right in front of her eyes by Rex, but she got back and fights again as if her head was never decapitated in the first place.

Supernaturals just like humans will die if their heads got decapitated, at least most of them are. But Calidora laughs at that statement, she got back up and continued on fighting.

If the berserk Rex can't beat her then the others have zero chance of beating her.

"Don't trust what you see, Calidora and I have a slight relationship..."

Upon hearing this, Adhara can't help but turn her head to look at Rex in confusion. She knows that the Vampiric Eyes are caused by Rex but that was it, and it's just what she thought as she has never confirmed it to Rex directly.

"We met one time during my first mission from the SCO. Me and my team back then manage to capture Calidora, but she was starting to become stiff from haven't eaten blood so I gave her some of mine. I do it since we'll need her for questioning, but she got saved by the Vampires"

"After that meeting, I was haunted by her. Before I can even realize it, we're bonded by an unknown Eternal Curse. Calidora got the Vampiric Eyes and it seems both of us can't kill each other until the Eternal Curse is broken"

Remembering back then, Rex regrets giving her his own blood that turned into this.

Not only does he got a problem that he can't kill or get rid of, but the Vampire's Princess also got stronger reaching the seventh rank realm just like himself. It's frustrating to think about.

But as he said that, Rex finds that Adhara is not that surprised.

"You knew...?"

"Oh, I sort of figured it out with the others. Gistella is knowledgeable about the Supernatural world, so we figured out that the Vampiric Eyes are caused by you"

Hearing this, Rex shakes his head as it's rather obvious since Calidora aimed for him.

Without even asking Adhara, Rex already knows that one of the lead information would be the Vampiric Eyes that they saw back then in the museum. It's the same exact case as his with Calidora but the difference between them are the Vampiric Eyes in the museum got killed by others.

Just as he thought of that, his body suddenly froze realizing that he has been stupid.

'If that Vampire in the museum got killed, then why didn't I think of asking others to kill her? If I had done that way before then killing Calidora would be easy, but now she's already so strong that only a few can kill her'

Realizing that he has been stupid, Rex cursed himself in his head.

But there's nothing he can do now to change the past, so he can only do what he can right now, 'Now, I can either asks other stronger Awakened to kill her, or get the Witch to break the curse. I hope that Witch can really break the curse, if not I will rip her head out!'

After thinking that, Rex saw that Adhara is looking at him curiously.

"What are you thinking?"

"Nothing, I'm going to go right now. I'll be back later"

With that, Rex left the room as he needs to get to the UWO main office and meet with Vargas.

A couple of minutes later,

Rex went into the passenger seat of a blue chrome sports car with a rough exhale, he was still lamenting about him overlooking the fact that he can reach for others to help. It's not his thing to ask for pure help, but it's a huge matter.

Looking at the flushed look on his face, Edward sitting behind the steering wheel tilted his head.

"What's wrong with you?"

"Thinking about unnecessary things..."

Hearing this, Edward nodded his head repeatedly with a gaping mouth while turning the car on, "Oh, you mean you did something wrong and you're now hating yourself in your head? I've seen that look a couple of times"

"Just like when you almost get us caught by the Ghouls on our last mission"

The tease from Edward's mouth makes Rex clicks his tongue in displeasure, and this further confirms what Edward suspects is true making him laugh out loud before stepping on the gas.

A moment later,

Many onlookers saw a blue sports car leading many military trucks behind it.

The roaring of the sports car engine can be heard reverberating through the street. As if the car is not cool enough, the roaring sports car is driving on the privileged road reserved for high-ranking people of Ratmawati City.

While driving mid-speed, Edward positioned the middle rearview mirror before clearing his throat.

"What do you want? Just say it already"

Rex is looking at his phone scrolling through the news, he doesn't even turn his head from the phone screen while saying this. He knows that Edward wanted to say something,

"I'm thinking of moving Zelene and my Uncle to th-"

"Absolutely not"

Before Edward can even finish his sentence, Rex already intervenes and denied him knowing what he's going to ask. He cut Edward short as that is not going to happen especially with the condition inside the mansion.

"Are you going to put your family in the middle of a pack of Werewolf?"

"I can say the same thing about you, how could you put your own parents in the middle of a pack of Werewolf plus a sleeping dragon in the backyard?"

Rex was annoyed but he can't deny the fact that he did exactly that.

"It's a different thing, I'm thinking of their safety from the other 25 Golden Crest Families"

"The same thing can happen to my family too, they can be attacked just like what the Atkins did. Just let them stay in the mansion, I will tell Zelene to keep to herself and not cause trouble"

While listening to Edward's request, Rex can't help but rubs his chin in thought.

Upon seeing Rex that is clearly thinking, he is starting to feel elated inside. It seems that Rex will agree to his request but after a moment, Rex mutters softly, "We'll see..."

Despite not agreeing on the spot, it's good enough that he brought the matters.

Although sector 2 has its own UWO office that is big enough and usually used for large meetings, the main office of the UWO is not there as they feel the need to be close to the citizen. Upon arriving in front of the skyscraper building, a pair of UWO officers are waiting for them.

Of course with many military trucks traversing through the sector, the UWO already knows that Rex is on his way here. It's not a surprise to Rex for seeing these two waiting for his arrival.

"Welcome Sir Rex, President Sebrof is waiting for you"

Hearing this, Rex glanced at Edward before he nodded his head.

Edward went back into the sports car before he follows a man that will guide him and the military trucks to the parking lot and also drop the newly appointed Awakened, they will be sent through the teleportation formation here to the city where they are needed.

With that, Rex steps into the building following the two UWO officers.

In just a moment, Rex finds himself walking in a hallway with Sebrof's room at the end of it.

Rex remembered the last time he was here was when he got back from the Undead mission, he got saved from Sebrof thanks to Gerrard that time. But now he's not as nervous as before.

Upon nearing the door, his eyes squinted when he saw a familiar woman standing beside the door.

'Linda...?'

As he realized the woman standing beside the door is Linda, Rex becomes even more at ease knowing that Vargas is definitely inside the room. Giving a nod to Linda, he then pushes the door open revealing the same scenery as the last time.

Sebrof is sitting behind his desk with a light-up cigar,

The cigar slowly got put in between his lips before its tip lit up, sizzling grey color climbs up to the ceiling as Sebrof smokes the cigar. With a subtle blow, the smoke waves out of his mouth lightly.

Rex scans the entire room and finds nothing has changed except for the red robe.

From the story that Sebrof said before, the red robe is his prized possession as it belongs to the first Enchanter that he killed after a gruesome and dragging fight. But now the red robe is not inside the room anymore.

Standing on the side of the desk is Vargas that is giving Rex a meaningful look.

"Sir Sebrof, I'm here as a representative of the Silverstar Family paying the necessary contribution for the war. They are all my newly appointed Awakened, and ready to fight in the war"

While looking at Rex with an unwavering expression, Sebrof then puts down his cigar.

"I'm surprised you can gather that much Awakened. For a new family, that much quota is still burdening yet you manage to fulfill it, in such a short amount of time too almost as if these Awakened came out of thin air. As expected of the mighty Rex Silverstar..."

Despite the toning and word construct that Sebrof used, Rex kept a stoic expression.

Having no reaction from Rex, Sebrof finally looks down and shakes his head, "But nevertheless, they are Awakened that we can use so on behalf of the UWO and also humanity I will accept these Awakened. I'll check the Silverstar Family's contribution for the time being"

After saying that, Sebrof signaled for Rex that he can leave.

Sebrof started to write something on his desk but soon raises his gaze realizing that Rex has not moved from his spot, "Is there anything you want to tell us, Sir Rex?"

"Actually, I have news regard-"

Before Rex can finish telling what he was about to say, the door into the room makes a clicking sound before a man holding a tablet walks inside politely. This man bowed to Rex, Sebrof, and Vargas one by one before he straightens his back.

"My apologies for barging inside, but I've brought important news"

Upon hearing this, Sebrof clasps both of his hands in front of him with squinted eyes, "Go on, what is the important news for you to come inside here without knocking"

The man smiled wryly knowing that he displeased Sebrof, but he continues on with the news.

"Three of our scouting Cessation Knights platoon has lost contact since yesterday night, one of our eyes southeast of the Vampire stronghold also got attacked but managed to escape barely. She reported that there's a small army of Vampires attacking low-level cities, and she also reported that the army is led by an Elf and a Royal Vampire..."

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"Elf and a Royal Vampire? Are you sure about that?", Sebrof asks with a frown.

Although belonging to the Supernatural race, the elves kept to themselves ever since the Supernatural Emergence. They have never appeared again ever since, a pretty peaceful race for a Supernatural race that is usually barbarous.

They're quite arrogant in nature, viewing themselves as a higher race.

But because of that trait, there are some unusual stories about them. Rex remembered that back in his time in the military, some comrades of his that were left to die came back alive. Most of them met a fortunate Supernatural race.

One of the fortunate Supernatural races is the Elves, children of the forest one might say.

Rex met a couple of evil Elves back then in Thyssys, it's a bad experience but most of the elves find killing helpless humans as a disgraceful act, that goes along with their arrogant nature. For normal elves, killing a helpless human is a mock of themselves.

If they're a higher being than humans then they don't need to kill a helpless human to show that.

"Yes, sir! Border and Danger Department has confirmed the report, they have sent Awakened to investigate and confirmed that a couple of level four cities have been raided and flattened. Although they can't confirm whether the perpetrator is actually Vampires, their way of killing and intimidation display matches that of the Vampires..."

The man holding a tablet nodded his head in confirmation.

Upon hearing what the man said Rex can't help but asks in confusion, "Intimidation display?"

"Yes, Intimidation display. We have gained picture evidence of the raided level four cities", the man replied before tapping on the tablet a couple of times, and with a swipe of his finger, a colored hologram appeared in front of them.

It was a couple of pictures that should be taken by the Awakened investigating there.

Rex looks at the pictures before he clenched his fists trying to keep a straight face despite the anger he felt within, and Sebrof saw that before the man continues, "We believe that the Vampire Origin likes to harvest skulls, so the Vampires usually decapitate and takes the heads of the people they killed such as this"

A picture of a level four city that is mostly made of wood comes to their vision, headless bodies are impaled through the chest and hung in all places. House wall, the ground, and even trees. Some may consider this very diabolical.

"They should not be greater than 300, and they mainly attack level four cities. It further confirms that they don't have many numbers, they should be creating a distraction just li-"

"No"

Sebrof and the others glance at Rex upon hearing his soft remarks.

Upon seeing that the others are looking at him questioningly, Rex raises his gaze before he finally continues, "They're not creating a distraction, but the Demon Stronghold is creating a distraction for them"

"What do you mean by that? Why would the Demons sacrifice themselves for such a small group of Vampires? They should have bigger agendas if not then it doesn't make sense for them to do that"

Vargas who is silent all this while steps forward and commented with a frown.

From how big of a movement in the Demon Stronghold, it's logical to think that it doesn't make sense for so many Demons including three Archdemons to advance forward just to create a distraction for the small group of Vampires.

Although the Archdemons didn't die, the Demons are basically sticking their head out.

If one of the Archdemons dies then the Demons will suffer a tremendous loss for a measly small group of Vampire led by a Royal Vampire and an Elf, it's reckless and illogical for the Demons to do that.

But there's a catch, "You're right, they have a bigger agenda"

This simple yet powerful statement makes everyone inside the room's interest piqued, they all are looking at Rex with eyes asking for him to continue. It's a matter of the whole humanity, they need to know.

Despite their problems, Rex has proven that he has crucial information time and time again.

Just like back when the demonic cities are present he realized that the Demons are using that as bait, and also the fact that the Supernaturals are researching using other race's spells, these occurrence makes him a trustworthy individual regarding the latest news of the Supernatural.

"Vampire just got a weapon that is said to belong to the Origin, a cutlass...", Rex mutters.

Upon hearing this, the man holding a tablet widens his eyes before he scrambles on the tablet screen. His hand then stop before he displayed a holographic picture of an old page book with the drawing of a sword on it.

The man then glances at the others after showing the holographic picture.

"Vampire Origin's cutlass, also known as Cutlass of the Summoner, or Blood Devourer. This book is called the Book of Tormir, a book that has been recently found by the Exploration Department. Based on the book the cutlass needed to be fed with blood to access its ability. Aside from getting sharper as it fed on more blood, it also has the ability to summon Creatures of the Damned"

"The Translation Department has only been able to reach that much, so we don't know about what these Creatures of the Damned are. Possibly cursed creatures, but it's just a guess"

With the information we got, the room went into silence.

Sebrof is looking into the void with thinking eyes as the matter has become increasingly worst as time passes by, humanity doesn't have a boost as the Supernaturals did but the Supernatural has many things that they can access.

Just like this Origin Cutlass, it requires immediate attention.

Rex who is standing idly is also in his thought, 'Calidora must be there and that Elf must be the one I saw back then. There's no doubt about it, the Demons must be creating chaos for Calidora. But does bothering me a part of their plan knowing that I can stop Calidora or is it just a fortunate coincidence for them...?'

After a moment of silence, Sebrof finally blinks his eyes, "Vargas..."

"What are your orders?"

"Notify Giana and tell her to pay a visit to the Vampire Stronghold, and also...", Sebrof glances back at Rex with a meaningful look before he added, "Send the Silverstar Family Awakened there to confront the army of Vampires, let's see how they perform..."

A moment later,

Rex and Edward arrive back at the mansion, the sportscar stopped just in front of the mansion door, and before the engine got turned off Edward saw Rex already rushing outside. He got out of the car and follows after Rex hurriedly, "Why are you in such a hurry?"

"I was right... the Demons are creating a smokescreen for the Vampires raiding low-level cities"

"Calidora...!!!"

Grinding his teeth angrily, Rex mutters the name that is the cause of all of this clearly depicting his anger mixed with frustration and hatred, his dragging whispering tone contains all of that.

Brak!

With a rough push of his hand, the door into the mansion got forcefully opened slamming on the wall before Rex stepped inside. Evelyn, Kyran, Adhara, and even Gistella appear in the hallway feeling the anger boiling inside their Alpha.

Not only does what Rex suspects turn out to be true, but the scenery of the raided villages are like putting a pinch of salt sprinkled on a scar. It's not acceptable for Rex that this is happening.

'This is my fucking fault!', Rex cursed inside his head ignoring the others.

He went straight to the second floor intending to go back to his throne room. Every human that Calidora killed and disrespected, Rex bears all of their lives. It's all because of him not thinking about asking others to kill Calidora for him.

Those innocent lives are spilled because of him, it's unfair to them.

In addition to that already painful guilt, the Blood Devourer is also his fault as it certainly comes from Rosie being sacrificed. Everything has some sort of connection with him, and this frustrates him to no end.

Bam!

Rex gets inside the throne room and closed the door roughly.

Even the banging sound of the door makes Gistella jump in fright, she was so scared that Rex might take his anger out on her. Adhara taps her back a couple of times to comfort her shaking body.

After Rex went back to the second floor, Evelyn is the first one to open up, "What happened?"

"We dropped the Awakened on the UWO main office, I waited in the lobby but when he got back he was already in that state. Rex said that the Vampires are raiding low-level cities, he also said something called Calidora...", Edward replied with a shake of his head.

But upon hearing this, Adhara and the others widened their eyes in utter shock.

Edward was not present during Rex's fight with Calidora, so he doesn't know the terror she brings as she was able to fight the five of them including Delta and even put up a good fight. It was thanks to Rex's berserk state that Calidora managed to get taken down.

Upon seeing the serious expression they all are using, Edward looks at them questioningly.

"She's the Vampire Princess, Rex and Calidora have met a couple of times and it seems she is aiming for Rex", Evelyn explains shortly, but this made Evelyn look up with a concerned look.

She was worried that Rex might not be able to contain the anger within him.

'I hope you can collect yourself if not the other side of you might prevail again...'

Meanwhile, Rex closed the door roughly before turning to face the red throne.

But just as he was about to step towards the red throne, he suddenly felt a powerful wave of pain attacking his head as his legs gave out. Rex falls to the ground while holding his face with his hand.

The veins and clenched jaw show that he's struggling as if he was holding something back.

"Didn't I tell you before? I will never let you take control ever again, get back to where you belong!", Rex mutters with a warning tone but just as he said that the bones on his back make a huge cracking sound, it forces him to kneel on all four.

Crack!

Despite Rex's control, his eyes turn animalistic red as he clawed the ground painfully.

Rex kept fighting back the door in his heart that is slowly being opened by the being on the other side, he pushes the door with all his might trying to lock it but the bangs from the other side makes it hard for him to resist.

Forcing himself up, he slowly makes his way to the left wall of the throne room.

After slapping his hand onto the wall, he then slowly makes his way to the right wall of the room leaving a glowing rune on the left wall where his hand slapped. Rex engraved the same rune on all sides of the room's wall.

With the last one engraved, Rex who is still struggling internally grabs the handle of the throne.

"Haahhgh!", Rex stopped as his body bend forward feeling the ribcage covering his chest cavity expanded and gets stronger, it was very painful but he had experienced worst.

Using nothing but willpower, Rex sat on the red throne and buried his face in his hand.

"Get out of my head!!!"

Swish!

Rex shouted forcing his aura to explode to the surroundings because of the uncontrollable anger inside of him that is being amplified by his other side, this proved to work as the door is not getting banged repeatedly anymore.

Sitting on the red throne, he tries to calm his heavy panting.

After a couple of minutes of rest, Rex inhales deeply before opening his eyes and opening the system's shop. Filtering the shop to Spirit only, Rex scrolls through the Light Spirit section. With the problem with Calidora, he has things to do.

'I need to create not just one, but two illusions of me', Rex thought with a serious expression.

With the problem of Calidora, Shapeshifter hunting, and also finding a way to break the Eternal Curse from the witch, Rex intends to finish all of them at once using his Lunar Dust Illusion spell.

Leaving the others to search for Calidora alone will be bad as she's very powerful, there will be Giana there based on what Sebrof said earlier but just in case, one of his illusions needs to be there. Shapeshifter will be done by the real him as it requires the highest finesse, and as for capturing Rurvi a Lunar Illusion of himself should be able to do it.

Despite the fact that he can find Rurvi and capture it right now, bringing Rurvi to Jarvald and Vivian is going to be tricky. With the current situation in the Great Barricade, it's going to be dangerous outside of Ratmawati City.

It's not a good idea to move alone, so this is where the Lunar Illusion comes into play.

Aside from that, he can also send Devo to one of them as a helper. But he is still not sure where Devo would be placed yet. For now, he will need to reach the sixth rank realm first by assimilating with a light spirit.

'System, do you have a light spirit recommendation?'

'The spirit must be at least close to Devo's age and also can help me with the Lunar Dust Illusion spell, find one that suited my criteria'

<Finding suitable spirit to assimilate with...>

<Completed!>

<Amanir, Sham of Duplicity is recommended!>

<Does the user wants to buy Amanir, Sham of Duplicity for 150,000 Gold?>

'Yes!'

Just as Rex decided to buy the recommended spirit, the entire room suddenly got completely overtaken by white light coming from heaven itself. It was a blinding white light but the spirit energy brought by the white light is very powerful.

Even Devo was surprised by the spirit energy that is so thick that mists started to form.

Rex slowly gazes up seeing a woman figure made entirely of white light, she wore a crown with pointy arches made by the same white light. Her hair is waving and spiraling around her body which is covered with a white gown and veil.

She was like the goddess of light, and her eyes look down on Rex descendingly.

Without even the need to know what the spirit is thinking, he already knows that the spirit is looking down on him and will not want to assimilate. So in the next second,

BOOM!

Out of nowhere, Devo appears behind Rex filling the misty room with black lightning.

The presence brought by Devo is overbearing as always since his spirit energy is vast from the Lightning Ego addition, Rex and Devo's bodies sparkle and blitz with violent black lightning making the light spirit widen her eyes in shock.

Putting on a brutal grin, Rex then said with an unbreakable tone, "I don't know who you are, but you're going to succumb to me!"

But as he said that, the light spirit glows even more brightly.

When Rex was about to strike and forcefully assimilate with the light spirit, a squeaky voice stopped his and Devo's advance, "Wait! I'll assimilate with you but don't attack!!"

Upon hearing this, Rex was confused, "Eh...?"

Since the light spirit is pretty towering before almost reaching the very high ceiling of the throne room, Rex gazes up and looks left and right in search of the light spirit. But he didn't find it anywhere, "I- I'm down here..."

Rex looks down before his eyes enlarged in surprise, "What the heck happened to you?"

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"What the heck happened to you?"

Rex looks down at Amanir that shrank and take the form of a small white fluffy creature that is a hybrid between a dog and a cat. It has two white ears shaped like a rabbit's ears but upright, the way they flap up and down makes them look like wings.

But Amanir also has a set of wings shaped like a fly's wings, this overall makes it look cute and might even be popular if known by women. Something that he didn't expect to be a light spirit costing hundreds of thousands of gold.

With another flap of its ears, Amanir then replied squeakingly, "T-This is my true form..."

"Then why do you use that form earlier?", Rex narrowed his eyes staring at Amanir questioningly, it doesn't make sense for a powerful light spirit to not be proud of its own form. But then again, Amanir's form is not at all overbearing.

Something tells Rex that he can't use logic to decipher this light spirit in front of him, "Your form is hard to be taken seriously, did you take that form earlier just to look scary?", with the fluffy appearance, even a normal person will find Amanir cute.

Unknown to them that Amanir is a pretty old light spirit costing 150,00 gold.

If it turned into real money then this Amanir that looks adorable and fluffy costs 1,5 million dollars, that was a hefty sum of money but thankfully Rex got that covered. But the disappointment can't be paid by gold.

Just try and think the great Rex Silverstar summons a spirit and it turns out to be Amanir.

Supernaturals might even laughs at his face seeing his light spirit this small, puny, and worst of all very cute. Even normal people that saw Amanir's form will probably think it's a cute mutated animal.

"Don't mock my form! I'm Amanir, the embodiment of the good side of light itself!"

Amanir stiffens its ears trying to look endearing and scary but in the midst of its little declaration, Rex face-palm himself when Amanir's voice breaks into a squeak. A literal squeak that sounds like a mouse getting its tail pinched by a door.

'It's so different from when I met with Devo...', Rex thought with a sigh.

Back then during his couple of encounters with Devo before subduing him in the assimilation process, Devo also said a similar sentence saying that he's the strongest above the sky. But that time it was a power sentence backed with strength, it's different now with Amanir.

Despite the obvious disappointment on his face, Rex decided to keep a positive thought.

One can't judge the book by its cover especially, in a world like this. A cute little spirit like Amanir right here might just be a dragon in disguise that can soar to the sky, the system also recommended Amanir to him so it's definitely not without a reason.

With him asking for a light spirit similar to Devo's age and also able to help his Lunar Dust Illusion spell, Amanir should be a good spirit comparable to Devo despite its appearance.

Looking back at Amanir, he saw that Amanir is still embarrassed by the break of voice before.

"Tell me, what is your power? Can you turn into something and copy their abilities just like a Shapeshifter, or do you have other innate abilities?"

Rex asks Amanir in anticipation as he tries to give Amanir a chance to redeem itself and unsully their first meeting, but seeing Amanir sits on the ground before rubbing its chin with its little paw makes Rex's anticipation dissipate.

If being asked of its power and Amanir needs to think, it's definitely a red flag.

But instead of answering Rex's question, Amanir steals glances at Devo that is looking intently. Looking away meekly, Amanir then said, "Stop looking at me like that, I don't taste good. Your stomach will be upset if you eat me"

"Wha...", scratching the back of his head, Rex finds Amanir too soft for a powerful spirit.

Even when he asked the system about Amanir's power, he didn't get an answer which added to his frustration. Just before, he was attacked by his other self. And now as if it's not enough, the system sent Amanir that is testing his patience.

Just when he was about to forcefully assimilate Amanir into him, Devo suddenly open his mouth.

"Amanir huh, I think I've seen you before..."

With his narrowed eyes, Devo kept looking at Amanir finding this little light spirit familiar. Aside from finding Amanir very familiar, Devo also seems to remember hearing its name before but he can't remember from where.

Devo then remembered the form Amanir take earlier, and his eyes widen in realization.

"I remember you! You're the thief that went inside Heaven's Odyssey Atrium posing as one of us and took our Lightning Fruits from the Thundering Sumac Tree!", Devo exclaimed pointing at Amanir in utter shock.

Upon hearing this, Amanir yelped stepping back with clear fear in its eyes.

The black lightning and spirit energy inside of the red throne start to become greater as Devo's anger slowly rises, it seems this Lightning Fruit is something valuable for Devo's race. Rex watches this in confusion, it's the first time he experienced something like this.

In his mind, he will be fighting gruesomely with the light spirit today and reach the sixth rank.

But now he was faced with a situation where his spirit is angry at the new light spirit that he was about to assimilate with, turns out they have a history with each other which makes the situation even more complicated to deal with.

Rex was standing still in place watching Devo cursing Amanir that is already backing to the corner.

While he was thinking about how he can make the two be on good terms as they both will be inside him as his spirits, he suddenly frowns. Despite it being subtle, Rex can feel lightning-related energy coming from Amanir's body.

Although it's subtle, it's nevertheless there, 'Is it because of the Lightning Fruit...?'

Just as he thought of that, he suddenly widen his eyes knowing why the system recommended Amanir as his light spirit, 'I don't know how having two spirits works, I don't know how Evelyn manage to assimilate with two spirits, but maybe both spirits also need to be somewhat linked...'

He's not a hundred percent sure, but there's no other explanation.

Not only does Amanir has the ability to impose something else per what Devo said earlier which will help his Lunar Illusion Spell, but Amanir also has similar energy as Devo from eating the Lightning Fruit. If Rex thinks about it more, this makes perfect sense.

Having two spirits might be pretty cool and strong, but there's no doubt it's hard to achieve.

If both spirits are not in sync with each other achieving two spirits at once might be impossible, but with the Lightning Spirit eaten by Amanir then those two are a perfect match despite their history. Rex didn't sit still anymore, his eyes slowly shifted to Amanir on the corner.

Upon feeling the terrifying gaze directed at itself, Amanir's fluffy furs stood up with a chill.

At a blazing fast speed too fast for Amanir's eyes to follow, Rex disappeared from his spot before grabbing Amanir by its body covered with soft and sumptuous white furs. It's like grabbing marshmallows.

"Don't hurt me!! Someone help!", Amanir screamed in sheer fright.

Because of its soft and thick furs that feel like grabbing marshmallows, it doesn't matter how strong Rex's grip is. It's hard to hold Amanir in place as Rex stumbles around trying to make it stay in place.

"Stop moving! I'm just going to assimilate with you"

"I don't want to assimilate with an abuser like you!"

As the struggles continue, Rex is evidently starting to get annoyed.

It's not because of Amanir's struggle when all he wanted is to start the assimilation process, but because the angrier he got the harder it is to hold Amanir in place. Somekind of defense prowess one might say, the stronger his grip the slicker Amanir's body gets.

"Devo, help me hold this eel thing so I can start the assimilation process!"

"Assimilation process must be done by the Awakened alone without external help!"

Even though Devo used his serious expression when saying this, Rex sees through his expression easily as surely he doesn't want to help Rex assimilate with Amanir because of their history. It's just an honor thing for an Awakened to fight the spirit alone to be recognized.

If forcing a spirit to assimilate can be done, then getting help should be a tool too.

Just as the struggles continue, the door into the red throne is opened.

Upon hearing the ruckus coming from inside as Rex stumbles around the room with Amanir slipping out of his hands a couple of times like a fish, Evelyn steps inside before she stopped.

Her eyes instantly fixated on Amanir's cute appearance, "Aww... Is that a new pet?"

"Evelyn! Help me catch this thing, it's a light spirit that I want to forcefully assimilate with", Rex replied without even gazing at Evelyn as he tries to push Amanir into his chest to no avail, every time Amanir got close Amanir managed to slip again.

But instead of helping, Evelyn doesn't have the heart to help Rex.

Amanir is too cute and fluffy that she can't bear the thought of harming it, and this makes Rex clicks his tongue in displeasure knowing that this will happen if the girls saw Amanir's appearance.

Gritting his teeth, Rex's eyes glow red as he activates his Alpha Bearing skill.

Despite not knowing whether it will work on Amanir or not since Amanir is a spirit, Rex tried to weaken Amanir so it's easier to capture it. With his Mental stat that has a tremendous amount of increase from his berserk in the Delarosa Family's territory and Blessing of the Countess, surely it will work.

True enough, Amanir's body stiffen for a couple of seconds upon getting hit by the Alpha Bearing.

Rex's eyes flash as he activates his black lightning and uses his Flash Skill, he utilizes the stiffened body of Amanir which makes it easier to grab Amanir before he forcefully pushes Amanir into his body.

"No!! You cheated!!"

Upon getting closer to Rex's body, Amanir slowly turns translucent.

It makes Rex's eyes flashes in accomplishment seeing that Amanir is slowly being pushed into his body, 'Alright, even though it doesn't look strong the assimilation process should still hurt a bit...', Amanir has 12 media that needs to be connected with Rex's media, the number of media is comparable to Devo's media.

With that, Rex prepares himself by sitting in a meditative position. His body is already glowing.

Amanir's light element makes his eyes glow with white light.

<Assimilating with Amanir, Sham of Duplicity>

<0%...>

Getting ready to assimilate with Amanir, Rex then without hesitation launch an attack on Amanir's media inside of him hoping that it will not create too much of a commotion inside the throne room.

But even though powerful shockwaves will be created just like when he's assimilating with Devo, Rex has already engraved protection rune around the room so it won't matter.

Rex's eyes flash with sky-black lighting as he launches the first attack,

Learning from the experience of assimilating with Devo, Rex attacked the hardest media first which is the heart media before moving to the media in the head. Back then he thought that he needs to do it in an orderly manner starting from the weakest one, but he realized that he can do it in reverse.

It's because of him being a Werewolf, injuries from the assimilation process are not but a scratch.

Conquering and connecting the heart media first will confirms the assimilation, and connecting the media in the brain will automatically forces the other media to be connected as well. It shouldn't be possible for others, if they tried it then they will die from the injury.

Just as Rex directed his all into Amanir's heart media,

Splash!

"Hmmm...?", Rex looks down at his body in confusion, the light element glowing inside of him instantly got dimmed putting an evident frown on his face as this is a weird situation. Devo who is watching this in annoyance from the back got confused, even Evelyn also frown in confusion.

Amanir's presence suddenly vanished, Evelyn didn't even get to close the throne room's door.

Rex checks his entire body before his eyes widen in surprise, "T- That's it...?", he mutters in disbelief realizing that with just one firm push, not only does the heart media crumble but the media on the head also got connected easily.

Upon hearing the light mutters, Evelyn asks, "What do you mean that's it?"

"I just reached the sixth rank realm on my Lunar Light element, that thing is so meek that its media crumbles just from a push...", Rex glanced at Evelyn giving her a blank look, but this becomes more and more ridiculous by the second.

Evelyn tries to hold back her laughter but she can't, her face is already turning red in laughter.

"I can't believe it, isn't spirit age equals to their power...?", Rex mutters still in disbelief before a couple of notifications from the system appeared in front of his vision confirming the situation.

<Congratulation on assimilating with Amanir, Sham of Duplicity!>

<The user's stats have been increased!>

<Congratulation on completing Two Elemental Spirits Achievement!>

<Obtained Exalted Spell, Spirit Amalgamation!>

<Congratulation the user's bloodline has evolved into Exalted Royal Black Werewolf!>

<Intelligence stat has been increased!>

<Every spell chanted by the user will be amplified by 50% in power potency!>

....

"Do I even need to look at the increase if it's so weak...?"

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"Spirit age is relative to power but it can also differ from the spirit itself, some might reach the high spirit realm in just 5,000 years while some take 10,000 years. It all depends on the constitution of the spirit"

Upon hearing the explanation, Rex face-palm himself.

Back when he asks the system for a recommendation, he specifically said the spirit's age must be near Devo's age and also will be able to help his Lunar Dust Illusion. It's his wording that is wrong, he didn't know before but now he knows.

'I should've just said as strong as Devo instead of age...'

Although he finds this small mistake turns out to be a bigger mistake than he anticipated, he can't dwell on his past especially when he already assimilated with Amanir. Soon a small squeaky voice appears inside Rex's head, [W-Where am I?!]

[No... you cheated, you use a cheat to stop me from moving!! Let me go right now!]

Just like Devo, now Amanir lives inside his head as an assimilated spirit that will help in his endeavor. Unlike Devo that is so full of himself at first, Amanir is more annoying as it kept talking non-stop wailing about the fact that Rex managed to catch it after using his Alpha Bearing skill.

'It's not a cheat, it's my skill', Rex replied nonchalantly.

But his little comment sparks an even more rampaging Amanir that doesn't accept being bested by Rex, [There's no use in assimilating with me, I will not lend you my power! Never!!]

The veins on Rex's forehead bulge upon hearing this, it's like listening to a kid having a tantrum.

Feeling that assimilating with Amanir is a bad idea as Amanir still acts like a kid despite having similar age to Devo who is above 10,000 years old, Rex then finally asks the system as he feels like he won't be able to last with Amanir as his assimilated light spirit.

'Can I undo my assimilation process? I'll choose the spirit myself'

<Different than regular spirits' connection that can be severed with only paying a small price of pain and resources, high spirit demands an even more rigorous punishment to sever their connection.

Upon forcefully severing the connection with a high spirit, the user will not be able to assimilate with a spirit for more than a month even with using necessary items to accelerate the punishment>

Rex sighs helplessly reading the answer from the system, basically, when he severs his connection with Amanir he will be back to the fifth rank realm and stay there for more than a month before being able to assimilate with a new spirit.

It's not an option for him, he needs to create the perfect Lunar Dust Illusion in the following week.

A month is too long of a punishment for the current situation he's in, so without having no other choice Rex can only make do with Amanir before he eventually changes Amanir into a more proper spirit like Devo.

Having a personality is fine, but having a personality of a kid is not fine.

[We'll see how you fare without using my power, you're basically going to be just the same as other Awakened. You'll be going to keep being a Lightning Elementalist, not a dual Elementalist! HAHA!]

Getting really annoyed by Amanir, Rex then uses the suppression technique.

[W-What's happening? Why am I being cornered?!]

[If even I can't win against the suppression, then you don't have any chance thief!], Devo remarked with a hint of belittling to the cute fluffy Amanir that has its consciousness being pushed further and further into the darkness.

Amanir was aghast, [No way... that's another cheat! An Awakened shouldn't be able to do that!]

But despite keep complaining about the situation, Amanir's voice is getting smaller and smaller until finally it vanishes fully suppressed by Rex. After suppressing Amanir, Rex then sneered, "If I want to, I can use your power forcefully!"

"What do you mean?"

Upon hearing this, Rex glances to the side and finds Evelyn talking to him.

It seems that he's so annoyed by Amanir that he unconsciously thinks out loud, "Nothing- How's your new element, have you evolved your element into the Ultimate rank yet?"

"That's easier said than done... I'm still halfway through", Evelyn replied with a wry smile.

Hearing this, Rex nodded his head before he told her to quickly evolve her bloodline and kicks her out of the room. With no one else inside the room beside him, Rex then sighs, "Let's fortify my light element first, and as for tomorrow... I hope Adhara will not hold back"

With everything out of the way, Rex went to sit on the red throne before starting his meditation.

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Later that night, somewhere along the Great Barricade.

Many parts of the Great Barricade have been deserted as more Awakened and military men are focused on the two emerging Strongholds of the Supernatural. These deserted parts are still operating despite no man manually operating them.

Since the Great Barricade is the prized defense line of humanity, it has become the main focus.

Every breakthrough made by humanity that can help them in war will be implemented first in the Great Barricade, newly developed defensive artificial intelligence is online in the deserted parts of the Great Barricade.

As long as the defensive artificial intelligence is online, the Great Barricade is secured.

But there's one downside of using artificial intelligence in exchange for manpower that can manually do the work and take decisions consciously that are out of the rules, there are no physical checkups for irregularities.

If any damage is done before the artificial intelligence is implemented, then it's not recognized.

One such irregularity is a pretty big hole on the Great Barricade, this hole has been there before the artificial intelligence exchanged the manpower guarding the Great Barricade. It's big enough for a truck to go through.

With this irregularity, four hulking figures with glowing eyes steps inside the hole.

Defensive mechanisms such as the War Turrets capable of hurting fifth rank and even sixth rank Supernaturals, a translucent barrier that is strong enough to hold the attack of the highest ranked Supernatural, and even the newly engraved field detection formation under the ground didn't go off when these four shadowy figures walked in.

Anyone was to see these four figures will instantly freeze in utter crippling fear.

Out of all the Supernatural races that exist only a few stands on the top, there are exactly six powerful races bordering humanity's territory near Ratmawati City. These four figures belong to one of those powerful races.

Devilishly sharp K-9 fangs, Black steel claws with furry bodies, even a baby will recognize them.

Werewolves...

Not just any regular Werewolves, they are not Omegas or Betas, but they all have the power and bearing of an Alpha. Each one of them is strong enough to instill fear in the toughest soldier of humanity.

Following these Alphas are two dozen other Werewolves that should be Betas.

"I can't believe the Royal Black Prince is this foolish, to actually leave an entrance for us to launch our harvest... guess he's still young", Zegrath commented while looking around the place with his hellish eyes, but there are nothing to see for a couple of miles.

Ruston and Ian nodded their heads giving their polite agreement of what Zegrath said.

But their eyes are stealing glances at Arnulf that is the one that can follow the scent of the Royal Black Prince through nothing but a strand of fur, it beats Werewolves that have the most sensitive senses.

Although a particular scent is easily followed, they need to take a huge sniff of the scent to do that.

If the scent is too weak then at some point the scent will disappear or their smelling sense can't grasp the scent anymore as it's too light, but that doesn't apply to Arnulf coming from the Radical Era. Someone that even for King Baralt himself called Primordial Werewolf.

Despite doesn't have the suppressing aura of an Alpha, Ruston and Ian have nothing but respect.

All of the Werewolves' attention was attracted to Arnulf when he suddenly glances at Zegrath, he then bowed slightly before he asks, "My prince, may I ask for a little of your blood? We're in enemy's territory and must be careful..."

Upon hearing this, Zegrath didn't reply and just slash his palm.

The blood seeping out of his palm dripped to the ground before Arnulf knelt. Every Werewolf present is curious about what Arnulf is doing, they saw Arnulf stabs his claws into the blood before starting to create somekind of rune on the ground.

It's a rune that none of them knew, shaped like a circle with two sides.

Arnulf dyed one of its sides full with Zegrath's blood while the others doesn't have any blood. Seeing this, Ruston is the first one to seemingly recognize the rune, "Rune of All Energy..."

Just after he said that the rune glows with a red light.

Before any of their eyes can even react, two beaming red lights shot into Arnulf's eyes like two bullets that instantly turns Arnulf's eyes glowing with a red light. Arnulf stood up before he looks around through eyes glowing with red light.

The process is not complicated and not long.

After about a minute of looking around, Arnulf then turns to face Zegrath before he said, "There is one-ninth rank Awakened northwest of our position coupled with four eighth rank Awakened. It seems they're making a blockade on the Vampire Stronghold, we should head east to avoid making contact with them"

"We're aiming for higher-ranked Awakened, why are we avoiding them?"

Zegrath asks as his expression slowly turns into a frown, his lips quivering exposing his sharp fangs.

"With our numbers and strength, taking down a ninth rank Awakened should be possible. It's cowardly to avoid a fight when we're one of the top races of the Supernatural", he added with a hint of contempt in his eyes.

Upon hearing this, Arnulf bowed lightly without any sign of anger.

Having thousands of years of experience dealing with those who are of higher bloodline and also stronger than him, his patience is off the charts as there's no hint of displeasure on his face. Arnulf then explained politely, "You are right, but they are in a blockade. Fighting them there will put us in a bad situation, all I'm saying is that we head east to find solitude Awakened"

"Vampires already head to the east, is there any strong Awakened left in the east?", Zegrath asks again.

Giving a slight smirk, Arnulf then replied straightening his postures and revealing his confident expression, "Prince doesn't need to worry, the Vampires campaign consists of the Princess and they wouldn't be reckless"

"And besides, I already find a perfect target..."

Meanwhile, on the far east side of the infiltrating group of Werewolves.

A group of Awakened bearing a silver star crest on their right shoulder is led by a woman clad in armor coupled with a cloak. They are sprinting through the forest without troubling themselves with the mud that might sully their white armor, the woman has a majestic bow strapped on her back alongside its quiver.

Despite trying to move through the forest silently, the sharp aura coming from the woman is there.

The woman with light blue hair is without a doubt an expert, the pinnacle of power and also one of the pillars of humanity. If Rex were here then he will instantly recognize this woman, it's Giana.

"Lady Giana, the Vampire's last movement should be Zribury City. A mile north from here. If we're following their movement pattern, it seems they are aiming for level four and three cities to avoid the Cessation Knight defense line east of us. Their next target should be either Nuta City or Slago City, both are level three cities"

While sprinting through the forest, a woman with grey eyes explained briefly.

Hearing this Giana nodded her head firmly, she then glances at the woman and asks, "Is there any Awakened guarding those cities? If so quickly send the alert signal so that they can evacuate the city"

"Based on the report, the Vampires are feeding Blood Devourer with blood. We must prevent them from achieving their goals, if not the weapon will become a problem in the future", she added.

The woman nodded her head before taking out a device from her pocket.

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Back to the mansion,

Rex has just finished solidifying his Lunar Light element for reaching the sixth rank realm and also matching it with Amanir, it should take a month or so for an Awakened to do what he did but Rex needs nothing but hours of time.

It's already night when he opens his eyes and ends his meditation.

The next step is to try and make the Lunar Dust Illusions and perfected them. But Rex decided to check on the others first, especially Adhara who should be getting ready for the fight tomorrow.

Exiting the throne room, Rex was greeted by the empty and dark hallway.

Everyone seems to be in their room as they should for training.

'Oh, I forgot to tell Edward to pick up Delta. She should be okay right now, and also I need to think of a way to gain more souls for Ryze. The succubus' souls are not enough to overpower Zadrass, as expected'

While thinking in his head, Rex walks along the hallway intending to check Adhara first.

But just as he was about to head to the master bedroom, his ears perked up hearing a muffled voice. It's not that loud, in fact, very light but he nevertheless caught the sound. Upon following the sound, he finds himself in front of his parent's room.

Rex can't help but frown before he stretches his hand and knocks on the door a couple of times.

After knocking on the door lightly, he then twists the handle of the door before peeking inside. How his eyes widen in surprise seeing that Robert is hugging Mrs. Greene that seems to be sweating profusely in her sleep.

Upon hearing the door open, Robert glances at the door and finds Rex standing there.

"What's wrong with her...?"

"I don't know but she's acting weird lately and quite clingy, and just now she suddenly started talking in her sleep saying something but I didn't quite hear what she said. Maybe I'm old but I heard her saying something that rhymes with Wolf maybe?"

Despite Robert saying it trying to decipher what he heard, Rex immediately knows what she said.

It's like a wave of cold air that brushes his body as he saw Mrs. Greene's body shaking and sweating profusely, she's even whimpering with a frown on his face. Nightmare, it's definitely a nightmare. And seeing this, Rex can't help but clenched his fists.

While Robert is trying to wake Mrs. Greene up, he shifted his eyes back to Rex.

But Robert was caught in surprise when he saw Rex's hands are bleeding, "Are you hurt...? Why are your hands bleeding?", he asks in concern seeing the blood dripping down to the carpet.

Realizing this, Rex hides his hands on his back before he smiles, "It's nothing..."

Under Robert's confused gaze, Rex bids him goodnight before exiting the room once again. In front of the room, Rex looks at the door blankly before his expression turns grim.

Chapter 519 Awakened Transcendence Stadium

The next day,

Rex stands strong with a completely stern expression while waiting for the receptionist in front of him to finish registering something in the holographic computer. Under such intense expression, the receptionist can be seen crumbling under pressure.

Mistakes are bound to happen, and the receptionist's move becomes clumsy.

Knocking the papers, repeatedly pressing a button on the screen, and even knocking the coffee on her table that she just bought five minutes ago. It's early in the morning, usually, this place doesn't have any signing people until nine.

But today a big surprise is already waiting for her, the hottest head family there is. Rex Silverstar.

"My apology sir Rex, I- I'll be finished in a couple more minutes. If- If you don't mind, I suggest waiting in the waiting room. When you're registered, I will personally notify you"

"No problem, I'll wait here"

Just like her entire hope crashing in front of her eyes, the receptionist's expression turns stiff. Rex doesn't know but he just makes the receptionist even more nervous, the only chance of her working normally has been declined and thrown down the drain by that simple answer from Rex.

'Why can't he take the hint...'

Thinking to herself with a polite smile, the receptionist was forced to continue the registration. Her hands are shaking and even become cold with Rex standing right in front of her nonchalantly.

Dealing with a high-rank figure across Ratmawati City is normal for her, that's her job as a receptionist at Awakened Transcendence Stadium in sector 2. The biggest private arena that is usually used by numerous Awakened from the top ten families to train.

Naturally, registering and making an appointment are her daily activities.

But standing in front of her is not just an Awakened from the top ten families of 25 Golden Crest, but he's also the head family of the newly established Silverstar Family. The hottest head family and some even consider him the dime of Awakened in this era.

Feeling her face burning from Rex's gaze, the receptionist tries to make haste with her work.

Rex waited while looking around the interior of Awakened Transcendence Stadium, it was his first time being here but it's natural and normal. Only the top ten families are allowed here. Due to the Silverstar Family's odd position, it seems he can also register here.

As expected of a place dedicated to the best of the best, the interior doesn't disappoint.

'I quite like this place...'

The interior is spotless showing the effort to maintain the professionalism of the place, the subtle music in the background coupled with the sound of the water from the big fountain next to the receptionist desk gives a relaxing atmosphere inside the building.

Even better than that, Rex can smell the fragrant vanilla-like scent. Warm and fruity, it's probably cinnamon. The perfect combination to the freezing cold interior dominated by luxurious marble.

Rex has decided to check the arena here, the training ground in the mansion is not suitable.

Although it's pretty advanced and good for training with many technologies that even Rex doesn't know a whole lot about, the design is certainly made for training and testing things out. Fighting or sparring is not inside the architect's mind when making that training ground.

Because of that, he decided to check this place that pops out first when he searches on the internet.

'I hope there are no cameras inside, there shouldn't be one if this place is made for Awakened from the top ten families. They demand privacy, of course. A generic condition from them'

Even though it's unlikely that the arena here is equipped with CCTVs based on the reason that he thought of before, it's not going to hurt him to be careful. Adhara and Gistella certainly will go all out. And in order for them to do that, they will be turning into their Werewolf forms.

Auras or energies coming from them are not a problem, there are runes to help them with that.

But of course, that is if Adhara and Gistella really listened to him and give it their all. If not then he will be the one punishing both of them, the anger inside him got vexed again from the incident last night.

"Sir Rex, we've got the affirmation and have registered you to the server. Here's your member card. Are you going to reserve an arena for today or for some time in the future?", the receptionist finally grasp back her professionalism as she gives a black card to Rex. It's the member card of the Awakened Transcendence Arena, and there's Rex's name written in golden letters on it.

Rex gives the black card a brief glance, he then looks back at the receptionist.

"Can you give me a tour of the available arenas? I'll be booking it for today if it matched my taste"

"Gladly. Please follow me, Sir"

With that, the receptionist takes a tablet with her before guiding Rex to the hallway on the other side of the receptionist desk. The building is only two stories high but is very long and shaped like a rectangle. The arenas should be on the back.

Following the receptionist, he's guided through many doors and even the garden part.

About a minute after walking behind the receptionist as her high-heels make a clicking sound that echoes through the hallway, Rex glance to the right when he saw a long window exposing some people that looks to be professors with an Awakened wearing all kinds of electronics on them.

"I may not be aware of this, but does this place host experimentation too?"

"You mean this? This is more like a testing lab for new inventions surrounding technologies, it's a part of the Weapon Development department of the UWO"

"Is that so..."

Rex looks through the window and finds some Awakened holding a sword made completely of electronics, it's powered by an energy core on the crossguard. Futuristic weapons one might say. The Awakened grabs the sword before he activates his fire element and imbued fire mana into the sword.

Under Rex's surprise gaze, the sword burns with a blazing fire that turns the insides reddish.

Not stopping at that, the power coming from the burning sword becomes greater than that of the Awakened. It's like an amplifier of the Awakened's element, and Rex was surprised that such an invention existed. But then again, humanity before the Supernatural Emergence is technology-based.

It shouldn't be a surprise if there are some researches funded by the UWO such as this.

Although any kind of weapon made with necessary materials and also runes can also do that, they require extensive development by experts, and one wrong move will make the sword break or the Awakened be engulfed in their own element.

For humanity to somehow finds a way to incorporate technology and element together, it's going to be one hell of a breakthrough that might tilt the tidal of the war. Mass producing this kind of weapon will amplify Awakened's power on humanity by a mile.

'At least Sebrof did one thing useful, keep up the good work'

Rex and the receptionist arrives in front of a huge door that is at least 25 feet high, it's quite a big door that towers over any humans or even Supernaturals if they're put into consideration. After stopping in front of the big door, the receptionist then steps forward.

"Since you're new here, I will be accompanying you to open the door during your time here"

The receptionist then taps the screen on the door making a couple of beeping sounds, she puts a password, eyes recognition, fingerprint recognition, and even elemental recognition before the lock finally opened.

With a gentle push from the receptionist, the door slowly opened automatically.

Nothing but white, Rex was greeted by the entire arena as big as a soccer field completely encompassing with white color. It was minimalistic but there are some gadgets protruding on the walls that he doesn't know what they do.

Stepping inside the arena and looking around, Rex nodded his head finding that it was big enough.

"One of our best available arenas, completely covered with formation enhancing the walls and blocks the sound. The ground is also equipped with a new invention called Psi Holoadapter, it can change the place into whatever you wish including sounds, environment, and everything to mimic the experience of fighting on the front line"

Rex nodded his head repeatedly as he looks around the place.

But instead of inspecting the room as he was portraying to the receptionist, Rex is trying to find anything that act and functions similar to a CCTV. It's the only type of technology that can expose him and definitely spill his doom in humanity's territory.

Wanting to show the feature, the receptionist altered the place through a holographic screen.

Under Rex's eyes, the entire place slowly turns into the familiar barren plains in front of the Great Barricade with the full moon shining down from the sky. It almost manages to perfectly mimic the feeling of the actual place, even the warmth from the moonlight can be felt directly on his skin.

If not for the electronics that are bleeping and can be felt, Rex might feel he's really outside.

Seeing Rex closing his eyes to feel the moonlight that almost feels real, the receptionist feels a little bit proud despite not being the one creating the invention but the one showing it to Rex. Opening his eyes, he then turns to face the receptionist again.

"Does the ceiling of this place be opened too?"

"Of course, everything can be accessed through the control screen. You can access it simply by saying control screen and the sensor will summon it"

Hearing this, Rex nodded his head feeling that this place is perfect.

"Does this arena suit your taste, sir Rex?"

"Very... I really like the place and I will book this arena for tonight around eight. Is that possible?"

"Of course, I'll reserve the place for you"

After saying that the receptionist instantly taps on her tablet intending to book this arena for Rex, she was quite happy with Rex's reaction to the arena. She was booking the arena but her attention was attracted back to Rex.

"It might be late to ask this, but who is overseeing this place?"

"Well, I'm not authorized to tell that information freely but since you seem to have a good relationship with the person itself I might as well tell you. President Sebrof oversee the place himself, I ask him for permission earlier to approve of your membership here"

"President Sebrof huh..."

Rex rubs his chin before looking back at the arena but this time with a new light in his eyes. He looks in a certain direction at the corner ceiling of the arena before a smirk appears on his face, it's like he's looking at someone there.

The receptionist doesn't know why he asked that but she instantly went back to the tablet, she didn't catch Rex's smirk. But as she was booking the arena, she suddenly felt a cold wind brushing her body.

Instantly after that, the receptionist then heard Rex mutters softly.

"There's one more thing I'd like to check, please don't panic"

The receptionist lifted her eyes off of the tablet in her hand upon hearing what Rex said, but her eyes widen seeing a powerful wave of lightning explode from Rex's body. Every inch of his body started to sizzle with snake-like black lightning slithering and bearing the full might of his Ultimate Mid-Rank Element.

It's her first time seeing such a powerful element coming from a person before.

'E-Even sir Denzel Rogers or President Sebrof himself doesn't have this strong of an element. He's really a dime of humanity...', the receptionist thought with marveling eyes looking at Rex's mighty back.

Without her even realizing it, there's a cloudy spirit standing towering behind her.

She was caught in surprise by the cloudy spirit but soon realized that it was Rex's spirit shadow, the spirit enveloped her body with a lightning barrier. Looking down to the ground, the receptionist's eyes widen even more seeing that there was not a link connecting Devo with Rex.

'How can a Spirit Shadow have no link...? Is this really possible?'

Just as the receptionist thought of that, Rex's eyes started blitzing with black lightning like a god of lightning himself before in the next split second the sky-black lightning becomes even more violent, "Blitzing Cry!"

CRACK!!

A shockwave of powerful black lightning exploded from Rex's body like a raging tidal.

Not stopping there, Rex then chanted another skill as powerful as before swiftly after the blitzing cry skill that makes the receptionist's jaw falls to the floor, "Thousand Lightning Thorn!!"

BOOM!

Root-like thorns spread across the entire place just under the facade of the shockwave.

Every single one of them is powerful enough to injure and even kill a peak sixth rank Awakened, the power behind those skills becomes even more devastating thanks to his bloodline evolving into Exalted which amplifies every lightning or light skill or spell that he has.

The receptionist that is protected by Devo can feel the force and power coming from the two skills despite being covered by a bubble of black lightning barrier, it's completely baffling to think about.

After the skill leftover recedes, the ground surrounding Rex completely turns burnt black.

There is no actual damage done by Rex's spell that left a mark on the place, it seems the place was certainly made carefully by the UWO to be really sturdy. But Rex doesn't try to use his higher-rank spells though as it might be a little bit too much.

With that out of the way, Rex turns around before pulling Devo back into his shadow.

Nonchalantly walking towards the door, Rex then puts both of his hands in his pocket, "It's sturdy enough, I'll book this arena for tonight and make sure to be this one. I don't want my arena to be changed into others"

"O-Okay sir!", the receptionist replied before running after Rex.

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Meanwhile, in the UWO main office building.

There's an exciting look in Sebrof's eyes as he looks at the screen in front of him. He was just finished reading a message on his phone before instantly opening an application, there are live videos in front of him right now.

It was two people, one is a muscular man while the other should be a receptionist.

"Rex Silverstar... I've always wanted to see your lightning prowess, and finally, I have the time and opportunity to see it for myself", Sebrof mutters feeling a little bit delighted. It was of course the live video of the Awakened Transcendence Stadium where Rex and the receptionist are checking an arena.

But not long after leaning back on his chair, Sebrof leans forward again to see the screen.

"Hmm... is that brat looking at the hidden camera?"

As soon as he said that, Sebrof's eyes lit up seeing that Rex was about to use one of his spells. Just as he witnessed two spells Rex chanted consecutively, there's one particular lightning strike that traverses off course and heads right onto the camera.

The screen turns blank immediately after being struck by the black lightning strike.

Upon seeing this Sebrof can't help but chuckles to himself, there's an obvious amusement on his face, "I'm not allowed to see even a little bit, huh... you're a pretty careful brat I must say"

Chapter 520 Mythical Bloodline Evolution

Later that night,

In front of a big building with an elegant modern-style grey front, the Awakened Transcendence Stadium is crowded with people right now. Many people that seem to be paparazzi can be seen in front of the place, they seem to be waiting for someone.

"Please disperse from the place or we will resort to force!"

A woman that has her brown hair tied into a bun shouted but got ignored by the paparazzi, they all are stubborn without a hint of intending to leave at all. Most of them even ignored the woman shouting helplessly asking for them to leave.

Despite her best attempt to make the paparazzi go away, the woman is unable to do anything.

"Eugh... why did the others suddenly ask to leave early? Why am I the one left here alone..."

The woman stomped her foot standing with her shoulders slouched in front of the Awakened Transcendence Building's entrance, she already decided to give up dispersing the paparazzi knowing that it was futile.

With no actual backup that she has, the woman was rendered useless to disperse the crowd.

All that she hoped for right now is for the person that was about to come to not be mad at her with so many paparazzi in front of the entrance, if not then she will be embarrassed even more.

The stadium is oddly empty for this time around, it's late in the night with no one around.

Every top ten families don't book any arenas for today as if they were devoid of training activity just today in a union, but despite that, the paparazzi are staying in front of the building expecting a certain someone to arrive.

Not long after, two black sedans appeared from the distance of the street.

Upon seeing the approaching black sedans, the paparazzi have already waited for more than six hours started to get riled up. The ones that hold the camera turned it on before pointing the camera right at the black sedans.

"It must be him! Quick get closer and take a snap of him!"

"He's here, everyone get ready!"

The front of the entrance started to become lively against seeing the black sedans arrive, and a muscular man with a dashing maroon suit and tie steps out of the car looking around with his piercing eyes.

But just as the man steps out, the paparazzi starts to crowd him without any restraint.

"Sir Rex Silverstar, it's been said that the Silverstar Family has given the quota to the war. Are you here to replenish that quota and hire more Awakened members into your family?"

"When will the recruitment begin? Many Awakened are dying to know!"

"Please listen to me, is it true that the Silverstar Family booked the entire arena just for today? What kind of occasion for you to do that?"

"Is the official life story of yours published by the UWO accurate?"

Rex was thrown with a bunch of random questions that he had never really thought of before, but the paparazzi are beasts hungry for news and rumors so they are trying to bait any answer from his mouth. It even surprises him that the paparazzi manage to get their hands on him booking the stadium.

But it's not his intention to book the entire arena, Sebrot called him just a couple of hours before.

Since the camera inside the arena was to be used by Sebrot to keep a lookout on the top ten families of the 25 Golden Crest, it's not his intention to peek at Rex or the Silverstar Family's power. As a positive gesture, he decided to let Rex have the entire stadium for himself.

It's convenient for him so Rex didn't decline and just accepted the kind gesture.

Knowing that there are cameras inside the arenas, Sebrof might be wary that Rex might tell the other families about that. In truth, there are not that many high-rank Awakened trains in the Awakened Transcendence Stadium. Only seventh rank at most but it's rare.

They don't realize that the stadium has cameras, but Rex sense it almost instantly.

Although it looks like he finds the cameras using his instinct alone, a device such as a camera is very hard to be sensed by his raw sense alone. But the system comes into play and helps him spot the cameras when he decided to check the arena when he knows that the stadium is overseen by Sebrof.

It's just a Sebrof thing to do putting cameras inside the arenas to spy on the training Awakened.

'Did Sebrof tell the media about this? But I don't see why he would do that, maybe I'm just overthinking it', Rex thought before he nonchalantly walks through the crowd. Seeing the desperation in the paparazzi's eyes, Rex sighs lightly.

"I have no comment"

"Please at least give us something sir, anything will be fine!"

His calm reply definitely upsets the paparazzi that already waited for hours for this moment, they kept pressing on while Rex walked toward the receptionist that is standing in front of the entrance with a straight back professionally.

There's a hint of nervousness behind her smile and Rex saw through her easily.

"Welcome sir, Rex! I've already prepared the arenas you booked, do you want to go straight to the arena?", the receptionist asks politely giving him the best of her smile.

Rex stares at her for a couple of seconds before turning around to face the paparazzi.

Although he didn't blame the receptionist for the crowding paparazzi in front of the entrance waiting for him, the receptionist misunderstand his brief stare. She definitely thought that Rex is blaming her for the paparazzi.

Then again, she's a receptionist lady, not the security.

"I will answer a couple of your questions, but I will ask you this one time. After I answered your question, please leave the stadium for the sake of my privacy", Rex finally declared, he doesn't want the paparazzi waiting for him when he came out again.

As if dangling carrots in front of a rabbit, the crowd roared in excitement and threw their questions.

Meanwhile, as Rex stands in front of the crowd and answers the questions, a couple of people walk out of the black sedans before they sneak into the entrance. These people are, of course, Adhara and the others that don't want to be spotted by the paparazzi.

They all are covered by Kyran's dark element so they're basically invisible.

But just to be safe they decided to sneak in carefully to make room for excuses if they did get caught, some of the paparazzi are also an Awakened so although is unlikely there's a chance that they might sense Adhara and the others.

It's something they can't risk no matter how small the chances are, being caught is not an option.

The receptionist glances to the side in confusion seeing the entrance of the stadium opened by its own, she frowns for a second but the excitement coming from the paparazzi piqued her attention again making her worried.

Upon entering the arena, the others went out of the paparazzi's sight.

When the place is clear Kyran then deactivated his dark element exposing Adhara and Gistella alongside him. Edward didn't come as he was tasked to look after the mansion.

"There are so many people outside..."

"I think our plan to go here is leaked, will it be okay to fight with them outside?"

"Rex will handle it, don't worry"

Kyran nodded his head agreeing with what Adhara said, but both of their attention shifted to Gistella on the side that is silent from the car all the way to here. It's clear that she's nervous because of the fight she was about to do.

Although fighting with Adhara is okay, the reason why she's fighting Adhara is the problem.

To make matters worst, it seems Rex is still angry despite already two days since the incident. Gistella's body is shaking remembering the bloodthirsty glare she received from Rex that night.

"Do... Do you think I should just let you hit me?", Gistella finally opens her mouth.

Gistella raises her gaze and looks at both Kyran and Adhara asking for their advice, the terror in her eyes is clear like water. It's the same fearful look that she wears when she met with Rex for the first time.

"No, if you do that Rex will definitely be angrier"

"I agree with Kyran, just give it your best shot and let the loser bear the consequences"

With the confirmation from both of them, Gistella nodded her head although feeling a bit guilty towards Adhara that sticks her neck in just to help her. Adhara saw this guilty look before she smiles reassuringly and holds Gistella's shoulder, "Don't look at me like that, I made the choice on my own"

Just after he said that Rex can be seen walking inside the stadium followed by the receptionist.

Upon walking toward the others, the receptionist was confused upon seeing the others are already inside. She didn't see anyone entering aside from the weird occurrence at the entrance, "Let's get this over with...", Rex mutters while walking past them.

The receptionist stops beside the others before she bowed lightly with an apologetic look.

"I'm sorry for saying this, but can you please not sneak in like that? I can get in trouble..."

Hearing this Adhara smiles wryly as they need to sneak in to not alert the paparazzi, "We're sorry but we're avoiding the paparazzi, and while we're at it please keep our presence here a secret. If anyone asks just say that Rex is training alone here"

"Yes!", the receptionist nodded her head repeatedly before leading them to the arena.

A moment later,

The receptionist opens the arena that Rex has already checked earlier before the others walk in, she bowed to Rex and the others before closing the arena door back politely.

"Are there no cameras here?"

"I already checked, you don't have to worry"

Rex summons a holographic screen in front of him before he taps a couple of buttons there.

Upon clicking the last button using his fingers, the ceiling of the arena slowly opened revealing the sharp crescent moon that is shining brightly in the night sky. The ceiling is not actually opened, it just becomes see-through.

Following that, the entire place slowly changes into the desolate plains like before.

Adhara looks around the place and finds the place becomes exactly like the scenery in front of the Great Barricade, it's open so it's perfect to become a fighting field. With the setup done, Rex walks to the side before he stands in the corner of the room with his arms crossed in front of him.

<Hierarchy Fight of Adhara Alpenore and Gistella is about to start>

<Combat Stake>

Occupation: Female Alpha

Hierarchy Rank: 1st

Battle Reward: 4% Evolution Process

'Does that mean the winner will become the Female Alpha and also reach the 1st rank in the Battle Prowess Hierarchy?'

<Yes!>

Nodding to himself, Rex glances at Adhara and Gistella with sharp eyes.

As if they know what that look means, Adhara and Gistella look at each other before they step forward leaving Kyran standing on the side secretly cheering for Gistella to win regardless of what Rex wants.

"Both of you will fight until I tell you to stop, is that clear?"

Adhara and Gistella nodded their heads showing that they understand.

Despite it sounding obvious both of them felt their heart clenched upon hearing what Rex said, he basically means that keep hitting the loser side until he said stop. It was purposefully done that way in order to make Adhara keep beating Gistella regardless of her condition.

"Get into your Werewolf form"

Obediently following Rex's instruction, Gistella is the first one to turn.

The bones inside her body started making cracking sounds and moved visibly from the outside, her bones are like snakes that slither around inside her body trying to break free out of the shackle of her skin.

Not only that, instead of fur her body slowly turns bronze color boasting her bloodline.

With the black heart in the middle of her chest beating rapidly and vigorously, Gistella glanced one more time at Rex asking for confirmation before she shifted back her attention to Adhara. Gistella then takes a huge breath her eyes flash,

ROAR!!

A thunderous roar escaped her mouth as the benefit of the 1st Hierarchy Rank is activated.

Sitting on the 1st Battle Prowess Hierarchy, Gistella has access to the Suppression skill during the Hierarchy Combat that decreased the stats of her opponents by 10%, Adhara can feel her being suppressed by Gistella clearly.

Upon seeing this, Kyran's eyes flash in excitement rooting for Gistella.

But her eyes caught a devious smile plastered on Rex's face, his attention then was pulled to Adhara when other cracking sounds can be heard as Adhara slowly turned into her Werewolf form.

Kyran widens his eyes when he saw Adhara's eyes glow with white light.

Unlike the previous transformation that makes her glow with black furs, she now starting to grow white furs as she falls to the ground with her body sizzling with heat. Gritting her teeth strongly, Adhara sustained the pain she suffered as her body slowly gets bigger and bigger.

Even her claws which should be black steel turn into silvery steel instead.

Although he was confident in his own ability as a Dark Elementalist, Kyran can feel his gift in a sensitive sense telling him to run away as he witnesses Adhara transforming into her Werewolf form.

Clawing the ground with menace, Adhara gazes up to the moon as her mouth turns into a muzzle.

A low baritone growl that makes the heart tremble can be heard, it was a growl that is very different than any others that Kyran has ever heard. Something that sounded like a Werewolf but completely different at the same time.

Gistella steps back unconsciously as Adhara stood up on her feet showing her new transformation.

Upon seeing her transformation exposed clearly to the eyes, Rex can't help but cracks a grin that spreads ear-to-ear, 'How can I decline this bloodline evolution, it's simply a dime that I can't pass'

'Who would've thought that she turned into such a being that can even scare a King of Werewolf...'

'I remember seeing its fragment in the museum, but thankfully I'm an Exalted Royal Black Prince if not then I might even be suppressed just by seeing her. Who would've thought that she turned into Werewolf Proxy of the White Omicron...'