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Craig slowly nodded. "His girlfriend was the one who drove off with the car, so it means that the car was lent to his girlfriend and not him."

"Congratulations, Mr. Cunningham. If his girlfriend actually has a driver's license, you won't need to take responsibility at all! Conversely, since your car ended up trashed from the accident, you should get appropriate compensation for it!"

James was overjoyed. "Really? C-Can we do that? You're not lying to me, are you?"

On the other hand, Jonah panicked and frantically said, "You're kidding me, right? Don't you know how the law works? Joanna doesn't even know them, so how could she borrow his car? That car was lent to my son!"

However, James completely ignored Jonah and said softly, "Since this young lady was the one who drove it, it naturally means that the car was lent to her. As for who drove it later, that's between that young lady and that other person—it has nothing to do with Mr. Cunningham."

James burst into raucous laughter. "This is great! This is just great! I told you that this has nothing to do with me. This is your son's mess, so you should clean it up yourself, Jonah. Hmph, it's got nothing to do with me at all!" As he spoke, James dashed over to Matthew's side and gave him a hard thump on the shoulder. "Great job, Matthew! This lawyer's a professional, and I've really got nothing else to say! Please thank him on my behalf later on!"

and from the bottom of his heart to boot. As such, Matthew smiled. "Dad, we have

We're a bunch of reasonable people! Heh, what do you think

already asked my son, and he was the one who took

Your son's girlfriend was the one who drove the car! I saw it with my own eyes, and my wife did so too. Hey, you...

word goes just because you said so? What proof do you have? Hmph, in my opinion, no one would believe that you lent such an expensive car

was speechless for a moment. After all, he had

over again. "Mr. Cunningham, where did you lend your car

to the yard, and then they

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Jonah lowered his head, unable to speak. He was truly defeated.

There was no other way out, so he could only shoot Chloe a look.

Chloe had already been awake for a while, and she immediately burst into tears. "Oh, my son! What should I do now? Helen, I don't want to keep living anymore! I only have my son; if something happens to him, I... I'd rather be dead!"

Helen hastily held onto her. "Don't worry, Chloe. I'll find a way to help you. Please, Mr. Manning—I'm begging you this. Can't you help us?"

Craig looked at Matthew, and the latter gave a slight nod. After all, he knew very well that Helen would keep dragging this out if they didn't resolve this matter.

"I've explained things very clearly earlier. This is mainly a problem of compensation and whether the victim is able to forgive the perpetrator. If we can resolve these problems, we can also try to resolve the other remaining problems," Craig answered.

"You hear that, Chloe?" Helen hastily asked. "No one actually died, s-so this matter is still something that can be resolved. We'll just have to pay a bit more, but won't everything be okay by then?"

we need to pay?"

at Craig, and the latter was exasperated. "This really isn't something that's easy to

we have to pay one million to them?

your son to stay in prison for a few extra years, or would you prefer paying a little extra money?" Craig

a moment of silence, she burst into tears again. "W-Where

coldly all this while, suddenly piped up and said, "Hey, Aunt Chloe—all of you returned from abroad. I heard that those foreign countries are gold mines. How can you not even have one million in the bank? Not only that, Uncle

as he looked at Jonah and

ever since those four came back, they wouldn't shut up about how their lives were while

reddened, for they felt that they were being put on the spot. Although they boasted about spending the last few years abroad, their lifestyle was just an average one in reality. Chloe didn't work, and Jonah was the sole breadwinner. Once they

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Chloe flushed, spinning some nonsense about how she was currently broke because she had bought a house overseas. Helen wiped away tears as she listened, her heart aching endlessly for her younger sister.

"Won't you have enough money if you sell the house off? You're going to be staying here for a long while anyway, so it'd be useless to keep that house overseas!" Demi said with her lips pursed.

Chloe was only bluffing, for they didn't actually have a house.

Upon hearing Demi's words, Chloe couldn't speak for a while. At last, all she could do was weep. "W-Why are you so cruel, Demi? That house is supposed to be for your brother when he gets married in the future. How is he going to be able to find a wife if the house is sold? Oh Helen, I-I truly do not wish to live anymore..."

Helen shot a glare at Demi. "Shut your mouth and go back to your room! You're no help staying here—all you do is act sarcastic!"

Demi pursed her lips. "Fine, fine, I'll stop talking. That works, right?"

Helen shot a glare at her again, and then she looked hopefully at Sasha. "Why don't you help your aunt out, Sasha? Aunt Chloe was so nice to you when you were a young girl. You—"

felt a

help bail her family out because her son

enough that the matters could be resolved by lending Chloe some money, Sasha wouldn't have minded it at all. After all, Chloe had indeed been good to her. However,

only be giving out our bonuses at the end of the year. I only have my monthly salary for now, so I don't have that much money!"

at the company, so can't you think of something else?" Helen asked

the company's public funds? Do you want me to end up in prison with him too?" Sasha exclaimed

furious that

then, Minerva suddenly piped up and said, "Sasha, saving Tate is more important. Why don't you mortgage the

speechless, for they were all shocked to the core by that shameless suggestion. Truth be told, none of them

ended up in a car accident. Yet, the Campbells were expecting the Cunninghams to mortgage their car so that they could have enough money to save Tate from prison. Most

to say that? Did the Cunninghams owe

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Upon seeing this, Helen hastily stopped Minerva. "Come on, Minerva—don't be angry! Demi, Liam, go back to your rooms. This isn't something for you to comment on!" Helen stated angrily.

Demi had a mutinous look on her face, so Helen grabbed a glass from the table and hurled it while she yelled, "You guys insist on testing my temper, right?"

It was only then that Demi put a lid on her behavior and brought Liam with her to go back to their rooms.

Helen then whirled on Sasha. “I’ll ask you this—are you going to help or not?”

James immediately said, “Don’t help them, Sasha!”

Helen jumped up and flipped the coffee table over. “My words end here today, James. This involves my sister, so I will help her! You won’t give us the money? Fine! I’ll raise the sum myself! I’ll sell off everything I have, and if that’s not enough, I’ll sell my blood and my kidneys. I must get that money! If you have a conscience, remember to wrap me in a burial shroud before you lay me in the dirt when I die, Sasha. I won’t have given birth to you and raised you for nothing if you don’t leave my corpse to lie out there with no dignity!”

Having finished her rant, Helen dragged Chloe out with her in an angry huff.

her. “W-What are you doing, Mom? C-Can’t

how you repay your aunt? I’m telling you that I cannot do something as ungrateful as that. Your aunt’s business is my business. Since you won’t help her, I’ll do

to leave again when James quickly spoke up. “Hey, can you

“Who’s throwing a tantrum? Who? Am I supposed to ignore my own sister when she’s in trouble? I ended up suffering a lot with you when I first married into the family. Did I ever complain about it? When we were at our most broke and experiencing the worst hardship we ever faced, who helped us? Are you

well and utterly speechless. After all, he was helpless when faced

help them this time. Your mother is someone who will walk the

incensed on the inside, but she

out, Mom. Is that fine?” Sasha asked in

the thing to do! You have to repay your aunt! Don’t worry, Chloe—we’ll definitely help

anger transformed into joy, and she quickly said, “You’re the best,

she looked at Sasha. “Well, hurry up and get the

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Meanwhile, James almost jolted in shock as well.

What a serious problem it was—it would need a million at least.

And yet, you’re only contributing 20,000? How’s that fair? You’re not being sincere at all!

Even though we’re supposed to top up the remaining amount, what you’re doing is no different from not contributing at all—it seems like my family is paying the full amount!

Sure enough, the Cunninghams now had a completely new understanding of the Campbells from this incident—they were truly shameless on a whole new level that was beyond their imagination.

However, Chloe said in resignation, “It’s not that I’m not willing to pay more, Sasha—we really can’t afford it.”

“We just bought a house, and we’ve spent all our money on it. We also bought a lot of things after returning home this time, so that’s another huge sum. This 20,000 is all we have left in our savings. If we give it to you, w-we don’t even know if we’ll be able to survive this month!”

Sasha was overwhelmed by her sudden pleading. This isn’t a reality show, so what’s the point of acting so miserable? Your children are swiping credit cards and living luxuriously every single day, and it doesn’t seem like you’re short on money at all.

“Whatever it is, t-this amount is still too little, Aunt Chloe!” Sasha replied in resignation.

hastily, “Do you think we’d be doing this if

don’t

you wouldn’t want to see us begging on the

Helen quickly said, “Don’t worry, sweetie. I’m here. Come on, Sasha.” She sighed and continued, “Can’t you save me some trouble for once? You have such a huge company—it’s worth at least more than a billion. How hard is it to fork out a million? Besides, Matthew’s construction company and its subsidiary, Wellness Herbarry, are worth a lot of money too. Isn’t it just a

said, “T-This isn’t about the

at how you’re

hand dismissively to calm her mother’s frustration. “Sure sure, whatever you say. All right, I’ll cover the

a broad grin. “Thank you so much, Sasha. I knew I

want to hear

to take care of the rest,

replied in a respectful tone, “Don’t you

nodded with a smile. “Thank you,

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After sending off the three Campbells, the few of them collapsed onto the sofa in defeat—that family was a difficult one to handle.

Meanwhile, Helen continued to ramble on and said, “You need to settle the money quickly, Sasha. You can’t let anything happen to your cousin. After all, your aunt...”

Sasha snapped back in frustration, “Stop it! I’ve already agreed to help him pay up. Is that not enough for you?”

With that, she dragged Matthew along and went upstairs.

Similarly, James slammed his hand against the table and bellowed, “Go on, go on! Keep it up and this family will be left with nothing one day because of you!”

Immediately after that, James headed inside as well and slammed the door shut.

Helen stood in the living room as tears streamed down her face. She said furiously, “How can you all be so ungrateful? If it weren’t for your aunt back then...”

Despite her efforts, no one was listening; the incident tonight had physically and mentally exhausted the entire family.

was one of the

busy day, he finally resolved

was pretty hefty—it was a whopping 1.6

while Mr. Manning explained the situation

steal the money from someone else? It’s not like anyone ended up dead—why does he need such a huge compensation? Mr. Manning,

that I’m not qualified to settle the problem. I’m only doing this for you

and you don’t have to exaggerate the severity of it to make yourself look good. You previously told us that it’d only be a million, but now you’re insisting that

was utterly vexed at this point. He stood up and said, “I’m sorry, Mr. Larson—I’m afraid I can’t take this case. I apologize if I’ve

understand, Mr. Manning. I should be the one

bade him farewell with a polite gesture before he turned around

yelled, “Hey, stop right there! You’d better tell me why you’re charging an extra 600,000! Don’t think I don’t know how you people do things—you’re just trying to swindle innocent people. You don’t

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Matthew was completely dumbfounded by her words, and he could only wave his hand in resignation. “Think however you want, Aunt Chloe. This is none of my business anymore, so don’t ask me about it either!”

With those words, he got up and promptly went upstairs.

Chloe continued yelling at him as he walked further away, “Who are you bluffing? Do you think I can’t hire a lawyer myself? Let me tell you this—I know a law firm that my husband’s company actively works with! I’ll let them handle it first thing tomorrow! Mark my words; I’ll be coming for you if their fees turn out to be lower than that friend of yours!”

Matthew didn’t want to prolong their interaction, so he closed the door without responding to her.

Needless to say, this woman was unbelievably problematic.

Meanwhile, Chloe sat down on the sofa in a huff. “How do you guys put up with that garbage, Helen? Who does he think he is? I knew something was wrong as soon as I heard the amount last night. Little did I know that he’d raise the price again today—he’s obviously trying to scam us. Even though your family is covering the fees for us, I simply can’t sit by and let it happen. That good-for-nothing only wanted to take the opportunity to feed his own pocket!”

a hand at her sister. “Calm down, Chloe. I’ll go with you tomorrow to find another lawyer if there’s no other way!

repeatedly in

Sasha came home from

with Mr. Manning, Mom and Aunt

no idea what

man! It turned out that he was actually colluding with an outsider and trying to scam money off his return. “What on earth happened

from earlier while adding unnecessary fuel

come up with that, Aunt Chloe? Mr. Manning is a renowned attorney at Carson Law Firm; his esteemed name is known all around Eastcliff. It’s hard to even see him around, much less have a conversation with him—he charges by the minute. Moreover, he took an entire day to help you with this and we finally came to an agreement with

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Sasha argued in agitation, “Since you already know that, you shouldn’t have allowed him to drive around—after all, he just returned and isn’t familiar with things! This incident only happened because you failed to discipline your son! Am I wrong?”

Chloe was suddenly at a loss for words.

Minerva pouted by the side as she said, “Whatever it is, it’s already happened. What are you trying to say by bringing this up now? You’re right—Tate was involved in a small accident, but how is it right for that worthless husband of yours to be taking the opportunity to scam money off of us? Hmph, he’s taking advantage of a disaster—that’s what it is! People like him are the worst!”

Sasha was overwhelmed with frustration, and she snapped through gritted teeth, “That’s enough! Go ahead and settle this yourself if you don’t believe Mr. Manning. Like I said, I’ll only contribute a total of 1.6 million! Anything more than that is on yourselves!”

With that, Sasha stomped upstairs in a huff as well.

Chloe’s face was scrunched up in displeasure as she left. “Seriously, what’s with her?”

Helen waved a hand at Chloe repeatedly to calm her down. “Come on, don’t take it too personally. I can’t even deal with her these days. It’s all Matthew’s fault—she’s been deceived by him! All right, Helen. We should settle this for Tate as soon as possible.”

Chloe immediately replied, “It’s no problem. I’ll give my husband a call right away and have his company’s lawyer take care of this. Hmph, let’s see what they have to say if it costs less than 1.6 million!”

right—Sasha said earlier that she’d only contribute 1.6 million. Since that’s the case, she’ll have to account and planned

made a call to Jonah and he started

The local law firm that their company works with is none other than the leading one in agreement with a look of anticipation on

hour later, Chloe’s phone rang with Jonah’s incoming call. She broke into a huge grin and said, “I

the call. As soon as the line went through, Jonah’s enraged voice rang through her speaker. “W-What have you done, Chloe? Why are none of the lawyers in Eastcliff willing to take

as she replied, “W-What

case. After that, I contacted many other law firms as well. Eventually, I heard from a

was still stunned with shock. “H-How

“I even heard that you’ve offended a well-known and influential attorney in Eastcliff; that’s why he’s messing with us behind

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After another 20 minutes or so, Jonah phoned Chloe again. “Chloe, you... you... you idiot!” he swore as soon as Chloe answered the phone.

Chloe panicked. “What are you talking about? H-How could you say that I’m an idiot?”

At once, Jonah flew into a rage. “Do you know who the person surnamed Manning is? Let me tell you this—he is the most famous attorney in Eastcliff, and he has practiced law for so many years without ever losing a lawsuit. Even business tycoons and large conglomerates seek his advice when they run into something, so he’s considered a leader in Eastcliff’s law practice. H-How could you offend him? No wonder all the attorneys in Eastcliff are unwilling to take up this case!”

Chloe was stupefied. “T-That can’t be true, right? How could this happen? I-Isn’t that guy just an attorney whom Matthew found at random? How could he have such great capabilities? Have you mistaken him for a different person who has the same surname?”

Jonah replied furiously, “That’s sheer nonsense! Lucia told me all these. She also has a group photo with Mr. Manning, and I saw that photo with my own eyes!”

of the night after receiving Matthew's call! Back then,

in a quavering voice, "T-Then... what

replied angrily, "How should I know? Lucia is still asking me what's going on, and I can't even bring myself to tell her about it! If she learns that we have offended this famous attorney, she... she will definitely drive

upon hearing his words. "I-I really had no idea about this, hubby. I thought he was colluding with Matthew to try to swindle money from me. I-I really have no idea about such things at

as mad as a wet hen. "All right, that's enough. Do you think that I don't want to save Tate? However, what can I do now that things have come to this point because of you? Forget it—I'll have a friend that? T-That will be great! In

another city, though? You idiot! You're not the one spending 1.6 million, yet you keep doing such pointless things. Now, nobody knows how much money our

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The next day, Jonah contacted a nonlocal attorney and had the latter hurry to Eastcliff to take care of this case. Upon hearing this news, Chloe was filled with smugness; she even made a special trip to the Cunningham Residence to brag about this. "Hmph, Mr. Manning is crafty enough to screw us behind our backs after failing to swindle us out of our money. How dare he bar the attorneys in Eastcliff from taking up our case? Haha! Who does he think he is? Can he ride roughshod over everyone in the world? Can't you see that my hubby has managed to find another attorney from somewhere else in the end?"

On the other hand, Minerva stared fixedly at Sasha. "We made an agreement last night, Sasha. No matter how much money we have to pay, you'll have to contribute 1.6 million. Don't go back on this when you realize later on that the money to be spent isn't much. Otherwise, things will get very unpleasant! Hmph!"

Sasha replied impatiently, "Don't worry, for I won't go back on what I've promised. Even if you solve this matter without spending a penny, I will give you 1.6 million!"

Minerva was delighted at once. To her, this matter was only a trifling one, so it would cost no more than a few hundred thousand. If this was really solved, she might end up with 1.3 million to 1.4 million remaining in hand. By then, she would be able to buy a Porsche sports car! Minerva was totally immersed in her daydream.

Meanwhile, Demi curled her lips into a sneer. "Minerva, keep in mind that my family will only pay 1.6 million no matter how much the settlement is in the end. Even if you guys end up having to pay 1.61 million, our family won't pay an extra penny. Do you understand me?"

Minerva sneered. "Don't worry! We paid great attention to the spirit of contract more than anything else back when we were overseas. You'll pay no more than the amount you've agreed on. There'll be no problems as long as you don't go back on what you've promised!"

we definitely won't go back on our word. However, since you've mentioned the contract, why don't we simply make a written agreement lest any of us go back on our

once. "Sure, that's great! Regardless of how much we have to pay in total, we'll make an agreement so hearing their words. "Is this

unison. Both of them were relatively mean, so they were unwilling to let the other party take advantage of themselves. In the end, they

you guys refuse to pay the money by then, I'll

other hand, Demi laughed. "Haha! Don't regret this,

took Matthew with her and went to work. Instead of going to the hospital, Matthew went directly to Lakeside Garden. He first visited his younger sister Natalie, and her condition was gradually becoming stable. Then, he went to the villa