Chapter 314 Take The Credit

Once Kristy's statement had been broadcast, the public opinion was swayed and it caused a heated discussion online.

Everyone questioned Peony Airlines about the truth of the matter.

Before Peony Airlines could even give a response, someone discovered that Kristy had indeed been fired.

The result of Kristy's punishment had been reported to her superiors, and the approved outcome was her dismissal. However, the specific reason had not been disclosed to the public.

This seemed to confirm Kristy's claims, and onlookers immediately became excited.

"Please explain why she got fired for offending distinguished guests!"

"She's a hero who saved an entire plane, yet she got fired for offending some rich people. Is that even fair?"

"If this is true, it's so disappointing. Who would dare to be a hero in the future?"

"I get it now. The lives of ordinary people don't matter, but the lives of wealthy people are precious!"

Kristy replied to numerous comments with her social media account, pushing public opinion to a boiling point.

Angry onlookers left comments, demanding that Kristy be given the recognition she deserved and that her punishment be rescinded.

Lying in her bed, Kristy gleefully read through the comments online.

When she learned that Loraine and Marco had declined the police chief's reward and left the airport, she made up the story.

After all, they were the ones who chose not to take credit.

Only the three of them knew what really transpired in the first class.

Since Loraine and Marco opted to keep a low profile, Kristy took the opportunity to fabricate her own version of the events.

She smugly looked at all the comments in support of her.

Her social media account gained hundreds of thousands of fans overnight, and people expressed their sympathy for her.

At the same time, she was getting a lot of attention.

Many people brought gifts to comfort her. She was

also transferred from the general ward to the intensive care room, where she received special care.

Even so, Kristy wasn't satisfied yet. She wanted more fame and fortune.

In order to gain more sympathy and attention, Kristy began to pretend to be miserable, fabricating a story that she was bullied by the first-class passengers.

Onlookers were deceived by her and became increasingly angry. They felt they were truly on the side of justice, and several famous media accounts even supported her personally.

Under these circumstances, onlookers quickly discovered the identities of the first-class passengers on that flight.

"It's them! Marco Bryant booked the entire first class, and he was traveling with Loraine Torres to Bluhm that day."

When their identities were revealed, Kristy became uneasy.

If she merely pretended to be a hero and received the reward, Loraine and Marco might not have interfered. But if she had inadvertently caused the public to condemn them, they might expose her lies.

However, the majority of online comments sided with her, which made Kristy somewhat complacent.

What could Loraine and Marco do, even if they were

Rumors had spread like wildfire, and the public wouldn't be swayed easily by money.

Kristy also wanted to vent her anger for the humiliation she had experienced on the plane, so she not only allowed the onlookers' malicious speculations to continue but even grew more excessive.

"Now that everyone knows who they are, I have to reveal everything. In fact, there have been guests who tried to harass me because they found me attractive, but this time, this person is too high-status, and I can't afford to offend him. He was traveling with his ex-wife. She was unhappy and slandered me in front of the purser, claiming that I harassed him."

Her words indirectly confirmed people's speculations.

Kristy feigned concern for her supporters and advised, "Let's stop discussing this. As you can see, the identities of these two people are not something ordinary people like us can challenge. Considering their status, Peony Airlines had no choice but to dismiss me."

Even those who were initially skeptical about the matter began to scold Loraine and Marco. They guessed that the reason for their silence was that they hadn't yet figured out how to handle the situation.

Seeing that public opinion was growing increasingly negative, Loraine couldn't sit idly by.

At the same time, she received a call from Trevor.

"I'm sorry, Miss Torres. We didn't handle the situation well, and it has caused you distress. Don't worry. I'll resolve the issue right away and provide you with a satisfactory response!"

Looking at the comments online, Loraine smirked and suggested, "Since people have so many questions regarding the hijack, why don't we hold a press conference and clarify everything in public?"

Trevor responded, "Sounds like a plan. We'll give you the commendation that you rightfully deserve!"

Chapter 315 The Real Hero

The police and the airline company would hold a joint press conference to give an official response to the recent issues and quell public outrage.

Kristy's face turned pale when she saw the news.

While she was feeling nervous, she noticed that she had received an email containing an invitation to the press conference.

She assumed the police and the airline company were going to reward her due to the public pressure.

Kristy immediately posted the invitation to her social media account to boast.

"Everyone, remember to watch the press conference!"

Supportive comments flooded in the post she made.

"Good luck, Kristy!"

"Justice will certainly prevail. You deserve only the best!"

Reading these comments gave Kristy a confidence boost.

On the big day, Kristy got up early to prepare her dress.

She had always been confident about her looks and

her figure. For that reason, she chose a form-fitting beige dress, which accentuated her graceful body. She even arranged for an admirer to chauffeur her to the press conference in a luxury car.

Upon arriving at the venue, Kristy was respectfully escorted inside by staff members. Cameras flashed relentlessly, seemingly fixated on her every move.

Basking in the attention, she raised her chin, took her seat, and flashed a variety of poses for the eager photographers.

Pretty soon, the press conference commenced with Trevor's captivating speech.

He recounted the entire incident in vivid detail.

Kristy, however, couldn't help but roll her eyes, irritated that Trevor was stealing the limelight from her.

Why wouldn't he just let her accept the prize on stage? Who would want to listen to an old man ramble?

Once Trevor concluded his speech, he smiled and gazed offstage.

"Now, for the most important part of this press conference. It's time to express our gratitude to the heroesduringthehijacking incident! Let's all welcome..."

This was the scene that Kristy had rehearsed numerous times in her mind. Though she had practiced this many times, her heart was still racing. With anticipation coursing through her veins, she

stood up and bowed to the cameras before Trevor could even finish his sentence.

"No need to thank me. I was just doing my job!"

Being interrupted, Trevor's face turned grim. "Listen, I wasn't referring to you. You're not the one I wanted to thank!"

Mortified by this revelation, all the color in Kristy's face disappeared.

Unconcerned for her feelings, Trevor cleared his throat and smiled to the audience again. "Let's invite the real heroes, Loraine Torres and Marco Bryant! Please accept your awards onstage!"

He made sure to emphasize the word "real."

Silence enveloped the room when he finished talking. The media personnel and the rest of the audience were so shocked that their mouths were left agape and their eyes were wide open.

It wasn't until Loraine and Marco rose and approached the stage that the reality of the situation sank in.

Exclamations and camera shutters filled the air as spotlights whirled around the room.

Those watching the live broadcast erupted in a frenzy of comments of varying reactions.

"What happened? Weren't Loraine Torres and Marco Bryant bullying the flight attendant in first class because they were rich and powerful? How could they possibly be the heroes who saved the plane?"

"Who could be the real liar here? Has Kristy been feeding us lies?"

Trevor raised his hand to silence the excited crowd.

"Listen up, everyone. I know you've been bombarded with rumors online recently. As a police officer, it's my duty to reveal the truth about the incident and set the record straight for the real heroes!"

He recounted how Marco and Loraine bravely fought against five armed hijackers, saving the passengers and staff from harm.

His voice was powerful and charged with emotion, sending shivers down everyone's spine.

The police chief vouching for Loraine and Marco held far more weight than Kristy's claims. Not long after, doubtful eyes turned to her.

Her face drained of color, Kristy stammered in a panic, "I...I played a part in the rescue too! If I hadn't led two of the hijackers to first class, how could they have been subdued so easily?"

A reporter shot back, "Then why did Marco Bryant accuse you?"

Kristy rolled her eyes, replying, "That incident occurred before the hijacking. It was all a misunderstanding."

Loraine scoffed, "Are you certain you were assisting with the rescue? You ushered the hijackers into first class, leaving Marco and me to face danger without warning. Wasn't that just you getting even with us?"

Flustered, Kristy retorted, "Don't defame me and undermine my contribution! I did help stop the hijackers back then!"

Loraine chuckled at her response, asking, "Oh, really? Which hijacker did you stop? The man with pockmarked face or the one with a square chin?"

Without missing a beat, Kristy replied, "The one with a square chin!"

The smile on Loraine's face deepened. "They were all wearing ski masks. How on earth did you see their faces?"

Chapter 316 Heroic Couple

When Loraine finished speaking, Kristy was left speechless.

Everyone now looked at her with disdain. Kristy opened her mouth to argue, but nothing came out.

The audience started shouting at her. "Leave now! How dare you take the credit for something you didn't do?"

Seeing how angry the people were, Trevor signaled to the policemen to take Kristy away.

Then he cleared his throat to draw everyone's attention. "Now, everyone, let's award these two heroes!"

The spotlights flashed rapidly, and everyone, including those present in the venue and those watching from home, focused all their attention on Loraine and Marco.

Bending down simultaneously, the duo accepted the medals and had it hung around each of their necks.

At this point, the audience started cheering and the two awardees inadvertently looked at each other. This scene was swiftly photographed by the photographers.

"Miss Torres, Mr. Bryant, could you two please come

close together? It would be better if we took the photos like this."

Loraine hesitated for a moment. But just when she decided to comply, Marco casually put his arm around her shoulder.

Loraine was stunned, but she didn't take off his hand.

This made the journalists and photographers even more excited.

After that, the reporters were very eager to interview the two of them.

Knowing that Loraine was the one with the better temper, most of them directed their questions at her, and some of them even asked her about some private affairs.

But Loraine was very tired.

And Marco seemed to have noticed it. He quickly shielded her from the journalists and said to them, "I'm sorry, everyone. Loraine is very tired. Don't interview her anymore. You can ask me whatever questions you have."

When he said this, all the journalists went silent.

"Go and rest. I'll deal with this," Marco said to Loraine in a soft tone.

Loraine was taken aback by surprise.

When had Marco become interested in media

interviews?

And why had he suddenly become so considerate?

Though she was not used to Marco's latest attitude, Loraine didn't want to stress herself by speaking to the press. So, she thanked the reporters and escaped from their hold.

Marco stood at the same spot with a cold look. The reporters didn't dare go after Loraine nor did they try to ask Marco any out-of-line questions. They had no choice but to ask him only sensible questions that would not annoy him.

After Loraine left the scene, Trevor quickly walked up to her with a smile.

It seemed he had something to tell her.

"Miss Torres, I did what you wanted. I hope you'll help me when I need your support," he said with a wide grin.

Loraine was shocked and she asked him, "What do you mean?"

"You know what I mean." Trevor winked.

Loraine shook her head firmly. "No. I think you must have misunderstood something. I'm just a businesswoman who's in charge of a family business. I can't help you much."

She sounded so serious and sincere that Trevor was

taken by surprise.

Had he expected too much?

While he was thinking about this, Loraine said goodbye to him and left.

Trevor frowned in displeasure. But just then, his subordinate ran over and said, "Sir, I finally found you. The lawyer hired by the Johnathan family is asking for bail again. What should we do?"

Trevor narrowed his eyes and thought for a while. Then he said, "Let them go."

After all, Johnathan Group was a big company in Bluhm. He had thought that Loraine was highly influential, so he didn't want to let the father and daughter go in order not to risk offending her.

But now that Loraine had not shown any signs of being close to any big shot and the Johnathan family was actively seeking his help again, he decided to let them go.

His subordinate was surprised to hear this order and he couldn't help asking, "Sir, why do you want them to be released all of a sudden?"

Trevor glanced at him. "If Loraine isn't influential, she's just like Paige, a businessperson who's inherited family property. At best, she's just better than Paige when it comes to dealing with people. Johnathan Group is a giant in Bluhm. It's inappropriate to continue to detain their president and vice president for so long."

The officer nodded in understanding and hurried off to carry out the instruction.

The next day

The events of the previous day occupied most of the headlines.

The most popular headline was "Heroic Couple," with a picture of Marco and Loraine accepting their medals side by side.

They looked like a perfect couple.

Their fans were practically overjoyed. There were heated discussions everywhere about the duo. Before long, a rumor claiming that they had remarried and were living together began to spread far and wide.

When Loraine finally read the news, she confronted Marco angrily, "What did you tell the journalists? How could they write such an outrageous report?"

But Marco coughed and said calmly, "Well, I only told the truth."

Loraine gritted her teeth in fury. "They say we are now a couple. Is that your idea of the truth?"

"Isn't that true?"

"That's in the past. We are divorced," Loraine replied firmly.

"Loraine, we can always start over after a divorce," Marco said, almost in a pleading tone. "Come on, I don't want our relationship to stay in that bad past."

Loraine froze in shock. She just didn't know what answer to give him.

When they divorced, she thought she and Marco would never be together again. Marco didn't love her at all. She didn't want to be stupid in the name of love anymore, but nowadays, she just couldn't understand what the man was up to.

While she was still deep in thought, the door of the hotel flew open.

Davy walked in and said with a smile, "Marco, you and Loraine have become heroes now. The stocks of your companies will certainly rise. By now, there must be a lot of companies that want to build in your CBD, but you have to make sure you reserve the best position for me."

As Davy walked closer to them, he discovered that the atmosphere around them was a little strange.

It was at this point that he realized that this was not the right time to come. So, he shrugged and smiled awkwardly. "Well, since you two have something to talk about, I'll..."

But before he could finish the statement, Loraine interrupted him, "It doesn't matter. We've finished our conversation. You can talk to Marco."

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With that, she walked out, without giving anyone a chance to stop her.

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