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Rose had a closer look. She bolted up from the chair and reacted stronger than when she saw the Pink
Rose. "Oh my god! Is that the Goddess' Heart?!"

"Rose, is it something famous?"

Agatha was intrigued by her daughter's strong reaction.

Chapter 421 Kaze Is Perfect World Group's Chairman?

"The Goddess' Heart was on display at a massive exhibition at

Sunrise City and it has already attracted a lot of attention. Everyone was amazed by its beauty.

"The designer is the world-famous Master Greta De Fontaine. She called this her masterpiece and can never replicate another one.

"After that, the Goddess' Heart hasn't shown itself anymore. Some

said the chairwoman of Sixth Eye Jewelry Group, the Queen of Jewelry, Jasmine Sundar, has it in her collection and no matter how much people offer her, she's not selling it."

Rose was thrilled. Her voice sharpened and even started to blabber nonsense. "Don't tell me it's on Darcy's neck now!" Her voice surprised everyone in the room and they all turned to Kaze.

Adiamond necklace of tens of millions?

The necklace that Kaze gave Darcy?

If it was real, who exactly was Kaze Lee?

Everyone was shocked,	especially Agnes. Her jaw fell on the floor.
"Darcy, can have a loo	k at it?" Rose went over to Darcy.
"Sure."	
Darcy took the necklace	off and gave it to Rose.
-	"Rose, have you really seen the Goddess' Heart before? Is this the real thing?" e Goddess' Heart as well.
Rose checked it for a wh Heart was being displaye	ile but then she put it down with a hesitant look. "I don't know. The Goddess' ed ina
case. There's no way we	can see the details.
· ·	undoubtedly diamond and its cutting skills are masterful. It's as beautiful as the s possible that this is the Goddess' Heart?!"
The more Rose analyzed	, the more the crowd believed the necklace was the Goddess' Heart.
Agatha looked at Kiev. S	ne shook her head and felt bad for him. She knew Kiev no longer had a chance.
Kiev spent millions to pr Darcy did.	esent the Pink Rose to Darcy. No woman could easily reject his generosity but
Now it turned out that k million.	aze had given her the Goddess' Heart, a necklace worth more than a hundred



Darcy never looked down on him before.

Her explanation sparked speculation.
Psychiatric ward? Mental disability?
Kiev looked at Kaze strangely. "Aunt Agnes, what is this about? Kaze was in the psychiatric ward?"
"Kaze got into some conflict with his family and got locked up there for a few years. He's fine but everyone in the city thought he had a mental disability. People still laugh at us now."
Now that Kaze had a promising future, Agnes was proud of him and she was no longer embarrassed to tell others about his past. Unlike before, she would be silenced and embarrassed whenever people asked about her son-in-law.
She giggled and said to her sister, "Sis, if Kaze really has a mental disability, do you think Lefteria Group would hire him? Besides, he got promoted to manager on his first day because the chairman saw his capabilities. He became an executive from the start!
"If you don't know, Lefteria Group is a huge company here in Lilyrose!" Agatha originally thought about using Kaze's mental disability to
persuade Agnes and her family to matchmake Kiev and Darcy. It was to save her niece from wasting her future with an unpromising man.
However, after what Agnes said, Agatha knew there was no chance at
all.
Kaze was perfectly fine and Darcy loved him. Even if the necklace was fake, she cherished it like it was the only one in the world. On the other hand, Agnes seemed to be happy with her son-in-law too.
There was nothing Agatha could do.

Kiev was slightly disappointed but he no longer felt defeated like
before.
He assumed the distance between him and Kaze had shortened and he still had a chance to win Darcy's heart.
However, what Agnes said next agitated him.
Agnes said to Agatha, "Sis, forgot to tell you that Kaze and Darcy are already married. didn't inform you when they married because you know, our family wasn't doing well back then."
"What? They are married?"
Agatha lost all hope in matchmaking Kiev and Darcy.
Kiev's gaze turned as frosty as ice. He glared at Kaze coldly and tried his best to suppress his jealousy and anger. Then, the two families sat down and ate lunch.
Kiev felt like an outsider. No matter how delicious the food was, it felt
like sand in his mouth.
After lunch, the two families continued to chat at the table.
Suddenly, the doors were kicked open with a bang.
The doors were slammed to the wall and a group of uninvited guests barged in. "Miru? What are you doing here?"

Darcy was shocked to see her friend barging into her family gathering.
"Mr. Lee, I'm sorry but couldn't stop her!"
The manager explained immediately when Miru kicked the door open.
Kaze waved at the manager and then looked at Miru, who was staring at him with killer intent. He frowned. "Miru, what is this about? hope you have a valid explanation!"
"lam the one who should be asking you for an explanation!" Miru screamed. She pulled out a machete and pointed it at Kaze. The tip of the machete was millimeters away from Kaze's face. Everyone in the room was shocked.
Miru glared at Kaze coldly and said, "Why did you murder my godfather?!"
Chapter 423 Alan Cummingham's Death
Behind Miru was a group of men, all looking ferocious.
Their bulging muscles were an obvious sign that they were experts in fighting. They all glared at Kaze the moment they barged into the room.
Tension rose as they stared at each other.
Darcy and the others felt pressured that they had a hard time breathing.
"What? What are you talking about? Kaze killed your godfather? The chairman of Lefteria Group, Alan Cummingham?" Darcy blurted out instinctively.

Kaze murdered Alan?
Impossible. He was not capable of killing someone.
The others exchanged a baffled look.
Slam!
Miru slammed some pictures on the table.
Darcy went through the pictures briefly but still could not understand.
"These pictures are the footage from the surveillance cameras of Lefteria Building."
Miru continued, "Around 10.30 in the morning, Kaze led the security guards on a routine security check around the building. Halfway through the security check, Kaze went into my godfather's private office, where he usually reads and drinks tea.
"Awhile later, he ran out of the office in panic and went downstairs.
He then directly left the building. Then, my godfather's assistant went into the office to update him on his schedule and found out that he was unconscious on the couch. He tried to wake him but there was no response, so he called 911. When the emergency response arrived, they found out that"
Miru's eyes teared up but remained glued to Kaze.
Her hand holding the machete was shaking violently. One quick swing and she could behead Kaze.
"M-my godfather was dead!"



Miru scoffed. "Keep telling yourself that. You, as the security manager, should know better that without my godfather's permission, no one is allowed in his office. Not even me or Leo can access the place." Kaze was invited to the office for tea yesterday and he was unaware of the rule. Miru did not give him the chance to speak. She shouted, "How do you explain yourself running out of the building in panic? If you didn't do anything wrong, why escape?" Up until this point, everyone had started to believe Kaze murdered Alan! He was the killer! Chapter 424 Don't Know What to Say Everyone in the room stared at Kaze, including Darcy. "Kaze, tell me, why did you run? Did you see something?" "| didn't go into Alan Cummingham's office. | saw nothing." Kaze shook his head. He added, "I received your text and | was running to Clover Center to save you." Miru glared at Kaze. "Text? Darcy, are you in danger or is he lying?" "| didn't text Kaze, but if he received the text, that means someone is trying to prank him," Darcy said. Her eyes remained glued to Kaze.

Darcy did not answer this time. She did not know if she should continue to trust Kaze. Kaze noticed Darcy's hesitation. He said, "Darcy, believe me. | didn't

Miru tried really hard not to swing the machete at Kaze's neck.

"So, it's his own words?"



"Kaze, how could you? You knew Miru and were good friends. Why did you help her godfather's rival?"
She broke down in tears.
Kaze wanted to speak but Miru did not give him the chance.
"Take him back! He will pay for what he did!" Miru said to her men
Everyone knew Miru wanted to kill Kaze to avenge her godfather.
Darcy looked at her friend nervously.
Miru stopped her before she could say a word. She said, "Darcy, know what you want to say. It's already merciful because came and not someone else from the company. If it's not me, not only Kaze, your entire family will be taken away." She was telling the truth.
Even Miru was listed as a suspect because she got Kaze the job.
She brought her men to capture Kaze because she wanted to make up for the mistake she made, and it was also to protect Darcy and her family.
Otherwise, the others in the company would go after Darcy and her family altogether.
Darcy plunged into despair.
Then, hurried footsteps came into the room.
Agroup of uniformed police officers came in and the leader was the chief of police, Don Braders.

He went over to Miru and said, "Ms. Scarlet, we have received the news of Mr. Alan Cummingham's death. The mayor told me to arrest the suspect and investigate the case. The police will provide a

satisfying explanation to you, Lefteria Group, and also the late Mr. Cummingham!"

Chapter 425 Protective Arrest Don then ordered his men to take Kaze away, but Miru and her men stopped them. "What are you doing?!" the officers shouted at them.

Miru's men were ferocious gangsters who roamed in the underworld. They were not afraid of mere police officers. They stood in the way of the officers.

"Ms. Scarlet, what is the meaning of this?" Don looked at Miru grimly. "Chief Braders, we are taking this man back to Lefteria Group and we will punish him for what he did," Miru said coldly.

Don grunted. "Ms. Scarlet, don't get this wrong. This is a law-enforced society, you are not allowed to hurt others in private. Since we have already filed the case, the police must be involved."

He raised his hand.

All the police officers pulled their guns out and pointed at Miru's men Miru's men were deterred.

Miru took a deep breath and glared at Kaze coldly.

"Let's go!"

She left without pause, ignoring Darcy's guilty and apologetic gaze. After Miru and her men left, Kaze was also taken away by the police. The tension in the room finally went away.

Agatha and her family could finally breathe a sigh of relief.



The motorcade attracted a lot of attention along the way. Everyone wondered who the police had
arrested. "Mr. Lee, Lefteria Group is agitated by Alan Cummingham's death. The mayor is worried that
they will come after you, so he ordered me to escort you away. have all the police officers with us,"
Don said.

respectfully.

He no longer looked like the fierce police officer back in the room.

Kaze smiled. "So you and Johnson believed me that | didn't kill Alan Cummingham?"

"The mayor said even if you really killed Alan Cummingham, you must have your reason. Besides, the man was murdered. Given Mr. Lee's status and identity, one word from you and he would have to hang himself. There's no point for you to kill him yourself."

Both Johnson and Don knew Kaze's true identity. The moment they got news of Alan's death, they knew Kaze was framed.

When they learned that Miru had brought her men to capture Kaze, Johnson told Don to mobilize all the available police officers to protect Kaze.

Kaze was escorted away for protection, not arrested.

"Mr. Lee, if you reveal your true identity, you will be free in no time and no one will dare to accuse you. No one would believe that the God of War would kill Alan Cummingham with his own hands."

Chapter 426 River Watcher Inn When Kaze was taken away, Don noticed Darcy and her family did not even try to defend Kaze. He felt bad for Kaze. Kaze was accused of murder yet his family did not even believe him.

Kaze waved his hand. "Just a bunch of clowns with circus tricks. | don't need to reveal my identity to prove myself. Let's just see what these clowns wanted to play."

His gaze suddenly turned cold. Even he did not expect that he would one day become the pawn in someone else's game. Don was deeply concerned. He knew Kaze kept his identity a secret for the sake of the city and the safety of the citizens.

"Don, just skip the station. Just send me to the detention center. | don't want to waste your time and police resources," Kaze said.

Don immediately said, "Mr. Lee, you are being too kind. It is our du to protect your safety. The detention center is messy, it's not as saf as the station. Lefteria Group won't let this go, they will come after

you." Kaze said, "If | am in the station, how are they going to come after

me?"

Don then realized Kaze wanted to be bait to lure out the mastermind.

Therefore, the motorcade went straight to the detention center.

The security was reinforced to make it look serious.

Then, Don called in a team for questioning. They wanted to

interrogate Kaze at the detention center.

The River Watcher Inn used to be the headquarters of Lefteria Gang.

When the gang was promoted to company status, the business was moved to the office.

The River Watcher Inn became a gathering spot for the gangsters who worked under Lefteria Group.

As a matter of fact, it was the true core of the entire organization. The reason why Lefteria Group was able to expand and thrive was because they were protected by the gangsters. The inn was filled with sobs and cries. Alan's wake service was being held there. The coffin was placed on the first floor and the employees from the funeral company took care of everything. 2 Leo was in charge of overseeing the entire service. He looked sorrowful and busy. He even helped the funeral company's employees in dressing up his late godfather. All the elders of the gang and company came to the wake service and they saw what Leo did for his godfather. "Ms. Scarlet is here!" Everyone turned around and saw Miru and her men walking in. Alan's picture was already up beside the coffin. Miru suppressed the sorrow in her heart and wanted to go have a look at the body. "Hold on!" A bloated man stopped her. "Miru, where's he?" Miru knew the man was referring to Kaze. "Uncle Sieg, Kaze was taken by the chief of police. They are investigating the case," she said respectfully. The man she called Uncle Sieg was one of the founders of Lefteria Gang, Alan's close friend who used to

fight side by side.

People called him Sieg Braford. Those who were closer called him Uncle Sieg and his men called him Master Braford, yet it was not his

real name. Sieg was a board member of Lefteria Group and held a prestigious position in the company.

"Miru, how can you let the police take him away? That ungrateful little fuck killed your godfather, my good brother! You should bring him. here and make him repent his sins before my brother's body!

"| will gut him myself and watch him bleed for what he did to Alan. How can you let the chief of police arrest him? Is this part of your plan?!"

Sieg shouted at Miru fiercely.

Chapter 427 Lilyrose Shaken The other elders of the company were infuriated as well.

"Miru, you brought the punk into the company yesterday and he killed Alan today. Now you are protecting him, allowing the police to take him away. Are you part of this as well? You are planning to kill Alan too?!"

"She's involved in this!"

"Her background is a mystery. She's not a local. She appeared out of nowhere and somehow Alan took her in as his goddaughter. | think she's a spy from somewhere, sent to hurt Alan!"

The elders berated Miru. Miru finally experienced what it was like to be criticized and berated by others. It was the same thing Kaze experienced countless times.

"Uncles, Miru is part of the family. We are both godchildren of our godfather. Please don't accuse her without solid evidence. If we wronged her, | don't think my godfather can rest in peace."

Leo finally spoke up after the elders had berated Miru. The elders quieted down but they continued to glare at Miru coldly.

Even though Miru was not the killer, she was the one who brought Kaze into the company. This reason alone made her the public enemy

to them.

"We don't have evidence to prove that she's behind this but we also don't have evidence to prove that she's not!" Sieg continued coldly. "Before we get to the bottom of this, Miru, you

are hereby relieved of your duties in Lefteria Group and you are grounded."

Miru blamed herself for what happened as well. Her head lowered. All she could do was accept the punishment in silence and guilt.

"I'm not going anywhere. I'll stay here to accompany my godfather."

Miru sat down before the coffin and stayed guiet.

Leo, on the other hand, looked at Miru from the back. His eyes were overflowing with lust and desire. He had his eyes on Miru's seductive body for a long time now and he had everything planned out.

Once he got full control of Lefteria Group, it would be the day he could sleep with her. He knew he had to strengthen his position first before he could get under her skirt.

He took a deep breath to calm his arousing desire and walked away to a secluded corner.

He called one of his men over and said, "Spread the news. | want everyone to know that Kaze was instigated by Angel White to kill my godfather."

Leo knew working with Cronus was dangerous. To seize the initiativ and continue to get a grip on the situation so that Cronus would not expose him of his crimes, he had to work fast.
With the news out, even if Cronus spread news about him killing Alan, no one would believe it.
At the same time, he could use the situation to unite Lefteria Group
against a common enemy.
To stand against Cronus, who was also an underworld kingpin, Lefteria Group must be united and share a common goal.
Until then, the other ambitious parties within the company would not be able to segregate the company for their selfish benefits. They would be the common enemy if they did so.
Leo, as Alan's godson and Bando's son, would be the natural
candidate to lead the company.
Soon, the news of Kaze killing Alan under Angel's instigation spread across the city. The entire city was shaken by the news. Everyone betrayed and criticized Kaze. Cronus also got the news.
"That little piece of shit. knew he wouldn't work with us so easily."
Angel cursed but he was not nervous. He had expected Leo to betray
them.
Cronus barely reacted to the news at all.

"Once Alan Cummingham is dead, Lefteria Group is a tiger without fangs. Let Leo do whatever he wants. When he removes all his rivals and gets a hold of the company, it will be our turn to acquire Lefteria Group. This way, it will save us a lot of trouble."

To Cronus, the moment Alan died, this entire rivalry had already come

to an end.

Chapter 428 Sunrise City's Top Killer Alan's friends responded strongly to his death. As the kingpin who ruled the underworld twenty years ago, he had countless protégés and many people benefited from his reign.

After so many years, his protégés had scattered all over the country. Even those who had not done well in life had already become gang bosses in their respective areas.

His influence was so large that even Cronus was afraid.

Cronus dared not go after Alan directly because of the consequences, so he had to kill his rival with a borrowed knife. The news of Alan's death spread across the country and it summoned all his protégés back to Lilyrose for revenge. Everyone in the city knew a storm was coming and there was no place for them to hide or run.

All the gang bosses of the underworld stayed quiet and kept a low profile. They even warned their men to not cause any trouble lately attract unwanted attention.

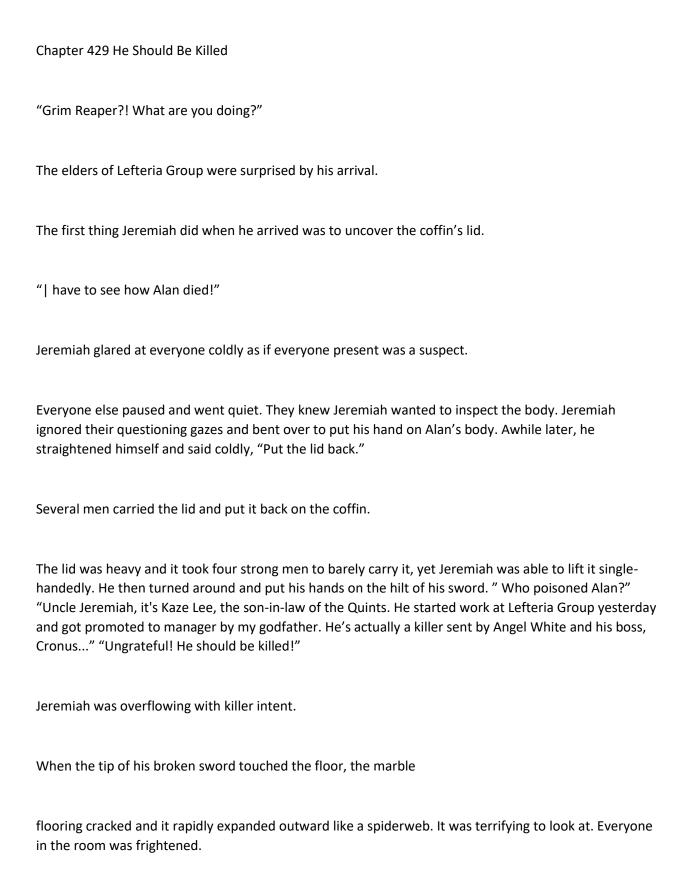
"Cronus is behind Master Cummingham's death, but he had just passed. It's inappropriate for us to cause too much of a commotion. After he is laid to rest, we'll go after Cronus."

"But if we don't go after Cronus now, are we just going to sit back and watch the killer roam free?"

"The retard son-in-law of the Quints is the killer. We must take him and his entire family down to honor Master Cummingham." The elders of Lefteria Gang were discussing in River Watcher Inn.

"The Quints are just a second-tier family. Just erase them from the face of the earth." "But Kaze Lee is taken by the police and got locked up in the detention center. He's in the police's territory. How are we going to get him? Should we go after the mayor and make him hand Kaze Lee over?" Leo was shocked. He did not want to stand against the city council or the mayor. There were rumors about the city council teaming up with Perfect World Group to stand against the top three families. If he had to go against Cronus, then the city council and Perfect World Group would be his natural allies. He could not just offend them now. He quickly said, "Uncles, elders, we don't need to stand against the city council. Just send someone into the detention center and kill Kaze Lee. We can also set an example to the other factions in the underworld." "Oh? Good idea. Who should we send? Who else in Lefteria Group ha such capabilities?" Everyone pondered. Leo chuckled and said, "Have you guys forgotten about the strongest in Lefteria Gang and the top killer of Sunrise City?" "You mean Jeremiah Reaper, the Grim Reaper? | thought he was living in seclusion in some monastery?" The elders were surprised by Leo's suggestion.

As elders of the gang and now board members of the company, they feared the man known as the Grim Reaper.
Unless necessary, they would not want to have any contact with him.
"My godfather was murdered. believe Uncle Jeremiah wouldn't just turn a blind eye. He would be willing to come out of seclusion to kill the murderer," Leo said.
Jeremiah was close with Alan and Leo's biological father, Bando.
It was the reason why Leo believed he could ask Jeremiah to kill Kaze.
With Jeremiah's involvement, Leo could also set an example for the other elders in the company who wished to usurp the position after Alan passed.
" will go look for Uncle Jeremiah at Golden Crow Monastery."
After obtaining agreements from the elders, Leo started to prepare to visit Golden Crow Monastery just outside the city. "lam already here."
It was at that moment, a chilly voice came from behind.
Everyone felt chills down their spine.
Adisheveled old man in rugs came in while holding a broken sword
He ignored everyone and went straight up to Alan's coffin. He then drew his sword.
Before anyone could stop him, the lid of the coffin was lifted by the sword's energy.





"Don't worry, Agnes. They should go after the one responsible. It's only normal that they would want to hold Kaze responsible, but you guys? It doesn't make sense. They won't do anything crazy," Agatha
consoled her. Darcy's mind was empty. She sat quietly in the corner, looking dispirited.
Then, she received a text from Miru.
"Darcy, Lefteria Group has sent men to get you and your family. Run! As far as you can!" Darcy's face turned pale.
If Miru was this nervous, then Lefteria Group would be serious and if Darcy and her family were captured, they would be tortured terribly.
"Darcy, what happened?" Hector noticed the pale look on his daughter.
"Lefteria Group has sent men after us," Darcy said with a trembling
voice.
"What?!"
Everyone was shocked.
Kiev quickly went to the side with his phone.
"That bastard! He killed someone and now he's dragging us down!" Agnes cried.
Agatha got nervous as well. "Should we go back to Sunrise City? don't think they will come to Sunrise City for you."



Master Quint was thrilled. "Who is this young man?"
Agatha clapped her hands and said, "Right! Why didn't think of this? Kiev's father is the vice commander of the South River Strategic
Department!"
"The son of the vice commander of the South River Strategic
Department?!"
The Quints were thrilled by the news. They all stared at Kiev eagerly.
"Kiev, can you really save the Quint family?" Agnes asked. She placed all her hope on Kiev. "Agnes, with Kiev's father involved, saving the Quint family is a piece of cake"
"Shut your mouth!"
Agatha's husband, Nelson, stopped her immediately and glared at her.
"The new chief commander of the River State Strategic Department, Albert Hiden, is about to take office. If you ask Kiev's father to help now, what if Chief Commander Hiden is not happy about it?"
Agatha pursed her lips and kept quiet. The Quints plunged into despair once more.
They could not offer any reward for the vice commander to help, so why would the vice commander meddle with their family affair?
Kiev did not say anything at first. When everyone fell into despair, he finally said, "Uncle Nelson, I've talked to my father and he has agreed to help when he learned that I wanted to help Darcy."

Nelson was surprised. He looked at Darcy and did not say anything. The Quints also looked at Darcy and Kiev and they knew why Kiev wanted to help. Kiev was into Darcy!
"Kiev, is it? have to thank you and your father for helping us. Are there any terms and conditions? Just let us know and we'll try our best to cope!" Master Quint said confidently.
"There's no terms and conditions." Kiev's words surprised everyone.
They thought Kiev would seize the chance to make requests to Darcy. "But"
Kiev then looked at Darcy. "Lefteria Group will stand down if my father requests them to but the Quints must show their sincerity too. You know, they used to be gangsters and they still are, so respect is everything to them.
"If Darcy divorces Kaze and cuts ties with him, Lefteria Group won't come after you guys anymore. Sounds reasonable, isn't it?" Everyone agreed with Kiev's suggestion.
"You heard Kiev, Darcy! Divorce Kaze right away!"
Master Quint and the others urged her.
Darcy did not say a word. She had been thinking about something since she came home.
All the evidence that Miru showed at Lily Garden Hotel revealed that this was a planned murder, but was it the truth?
Were the pictures solid evidence?

Darcy looked up and asked a question that surprised everyone, "Did Kaze really kill Chairman Cummingham?"