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MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2721-Nicole sat there in silence as she pondered to herself, 'If Everett is coming back and Lawrence is already here...!

wonder...were the both of them hiding abroad together and are now coming back one by one here to crack the code for the Water Crest?

'But if cracking the code for the Water Crest is a piece of cake, why did it take Lawrence this much time?' she wondered. 'But if the Water Crest isn't the reason, what could have gotten Everett to come back so hastily?' Three days later, time passed in a blink of an eye, and Damien was still keeping his whereabouts under wraps. He had only kept his chef around, and had made no movements that could rouse the suspicion of those who were watching him.

Patricia furrowed her brows, as worry glinted in her eyes." He isn't plotting some kind of grand revenge plan at home, is he?"

Nicole nodded. "It's a possibility we can't rule out so easily."

'Something must be terribly wrong. How can he be so silent and subdued?' Nicole wondered.

"We couldn't find anything suspicious, no matter how hard we searched. What on earth could he possibly be scheming? This feels very sinister," Patricia said.

Benjamin Riddle had suspected that Damien could be waiting for Everett.

However, not a single sign showed that Everett had returned to San Joto or contacted Damien.

Nicole narrowed her eyes. 'If my guess is right, Everett will not be coming back here anytime soon, but then again, I might be wrong. Perhaps Damien didn't tell Everett about what happened to Chloe. But then again, Chloe's case hasn't been cleared off entirely by the police, so there's no way that Everett could've contacted Chloe.' 'I find it very suspicious that Everett is being so quiet about this. Were they already prepared in the event that something like this happened to Chloe? Nah, these things don't add up,' she thought.

Nicole bit her lip as she looked over at Patricia. "Since nothing is happening, let's just continue to keep an eye on them."

Nicole waved it off, as she had more pressing matters; tasks which she could not afford to delay over the petty issue at hand.

"Yes, Ms. Riddle," Patricia agreed, and left the office.

Nicole picked the files on her desk up after Patricia was gone and quickly got to work.

However, it was not long before a knock on her door disrupted her flow. "Come in."

Then, Nicole's secretary walked in. "There's a letter for you. Its sender is anonymous."

Nicole looked up with her brows raised in confusion."

Anonymous?"

'Who on earth would send me a package anonymously?' Nicole asked herself.

"Yeah, the staff at the front desk was unsure if it should be delivered to you, so I came to ask," Nicole's secretary replied as she was holding the letter.

"Bring it over," Nicole said as she beckoned her forward.

Nicole quickly snatched the mysterious letter and tore it open. Within the envelope was a piece of paper with pasted letter fonts derived from newspaper cutouts.

Nicole narrowed her eyes as she read the contents of the letter. 'Who sent this?' "Do you have any idea who might've sent this to you?" Nicole's secretary asked when she noted the solemn look on her employer's face.

"It's nothing. You may leave. Please get Patricia over here," Nicole ordered as she dismissed her secretary and stashed the letter away.

Upon hearing the orders, Nicole's secretary quickly scrambled on her feet and rushed out of the office.

Patricia entered Nicole's office not long after. "Were you asking for me?"

Patricia was unsure of what had led Nicole to summon her into the office out of the blue. However, she was aware of the fact that an anonymous letter had been delivered to the office.

Nicole stretched her hand, holding the envelope. "Take a look at this."

Patricia grabbed it and began to read its contents. "What, why are they threatening you?"

No shit." Nicole sneered as her expression darkened.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2722-"I find it rather surprising that he thinks you'll just sit idly by and watch as he pulls his tricks on Ellar," Patricia observed.

The situation in the Riddle family was equally as complex as the situation that had yet to be uncovered, making it exceedingly difficult to solve.

"It's obvious they got someone who knows me well to do this," Nicole assumed.

'If the person who had planned all of this wasn't aware of how everyone works, they would not have resorted to doing something like this,' Nicole surmised.

"Know you? Everyone in San Joto knows and has heard about you, but the people who would dare to screw with you..." Patricia trailed off with a look of confusion plastered on her face.

Judging by the circumstances at the moment, Nicole could not think of anyone else who would do such a thing except for Damien.

He has been keeping under the radar for quite a while now. Does he really think that he'll be able to get away with it by maintaining his silence?' Nicole thought before standing up.

"Let's pay a visit to Johnston Group," Nicole declared.

"Yes, Ms. Riddle," Patricia agreed, and quickly followed Nicole out of the office right away.

Lulu, who happened to be passing by, asked, "Where are you guys going?"

"We're going to Johnston Group," Nicole curtly said.

Having understood what was going on, Lulu did not question further as she watched the two disappear from view.

Soon after, the duo of Nicole and Patricia arrived at the headquarters of Johnston Group As expected, Jared was surprised to see Nicole walking up to him. "What brings you here? Did something happen?"

Jared scrutinized the look on Nicole's face, and noticed that she was both bitter and furious. 'Did something terrible happen?' Nicole handed the letter over to Jared and said, "I received this today in the courier."

Jared grabbed it, and once he too had read it, his expression soured at once.

'This bastard really has the balls to challenge us, it seems.' "I'm guessing this person is someone who knows us to some degree.

Otherwise, they would not have resorted to doing something as childish as this,"

Nicole stated.

"Harvey Ellison? Damien Riddle?" Jared guessed.

Nicole looked up at Jared and stared at him for a while." Harvey probably wouldn't do something as stupid as this and Damien, on the other hand, has been holed up for god knows how long now."

'I can pretty much guarantee that Harvey wouldn't do such a thing but Damien? I can't think of anyone else aside from a pain in the ass like him,' Nicole thought.

"Perhaps he got someone to do it for him," Jared posited.

"Yeah? The point is that he has not been in contact with anyone from the outside so how could he order anyone to do it?" Nicole queried.

Nicole was certain that it was Damien, even though her intelligence had found nothing suspicious when they were surveying him.

"If there's a will, there's a way," Jared replied.

'There is a possibility that he's worried about getting caught so he has resorted to doing things off the grid,' Jared thought.

It was then that Nicole asked, "What should we do now?"

Nicole was the sort of person who would not be able to sit around and watch as the people around her get hurt.

However, the person threatening knew her well and had gone as far as to employ psychological warfare to toy around with her.

Jared raised his eyebrows and with a smirk on his face, he asked, "Don't you already have a solution in mind?"

Jared trusted that Nicole already had a strategy prepared in anticipation of an event like this. Otherwise she would not have come to seek his help. After all, they had both promised to not make any decisions on their own prior to this.

'I guess she came to me because she did not want to fall into their trap,' Jared inferred.

Perplexed, Nicole stared at Jared. "It's just a gut feeling that I had. I can't just ignore it now, can I?"

Nicole had set her mind on finding ways to overturn the situation. However, she did not have the slightest idea on how to do so, hence the need to pay Jared a visit.

Jared reached out and reeled Nicole in for a long embrace, which she stayed in.

"Since you have decided to, we shall leave it to Patricia and Charlie to handle this," Jared murmured.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2723-Nicole looked up at Jared, confused. "What do you mean when you say leave it to them?"

"Yeah, it could be a trap, so it'll be much safer to let them handle it," Jared clarified. 'If this is just a conspiracy targeted at Nicole, Charlie and Patricia can deal with it. But if Ellar really is in danger, I won't sit idly by and let it happen.' Nicole nodded at Jared's explanation. "Okay, but Why don't you let Patricia handle it alone and get Charlie to cover for you?"

'Charlie should be stationed near Jared, and in the event that someone tries to go after Jared, he would be there in the nick of time to ensure Jared's safety. I think this is the easiest way to ensure that everyone is protected and secured,' Nicole thought.

"That's fine by me too," Jared replied before summoning Max over to pass the orders down to Charlie.

Then, he darted a glance at his wristwatch. "Let's have lunch before you head back to the office.' After happily agreeing to it, Nicole stayed for lunch with Jared.

Meanwhile, Max had just briefed Charlie and Patricia on their new tasks, to which they responded in unison, "Yes, sir."

"You have to keep an eye on this fella. We don't know what they will do. You must be on the alert at all times," Patricia warned Charlie.

Charlie then nodded and looked at Patricia. "You too."

"Okay, let's talk about how we can strategize this. It's way too obvious that they're trying to lure Nicole into their trap by using our concern for Ellar against us all. I wonder if he'll bite..." said Max as he thought, 'If Ellar is wise enough to realize that it's a trap, things will be much easier for us.' "I'll inform Ellar about this," Patricia decided after a few seconds of silence. 'Ellar should be prepared for this either way. He needs to protect himself and everyone else around him from imminent danger,' "Can we trust this guy, Ellar?" asked Charlie with a hint of hesitation in his voice.

This prompted Patricia to ask, "Why did you ask? You know him?"

The three of them had only heard about Ellar, but none of them had personally dealt with him.

"No," Charlie whispered.

He was a little worried as he had a bad feeling about Ellar.

Patricia was dumbfounded after she had seen Charlie's reaction. 'Why is he acting like this if he doesn't know Ellar personally?' "Forget about it. I'm not going to elaborate on this,' Charlie added. "Remember to explain everything to him clearly." 'They better not blame me if things go awry,' Charlie muttered to himself.

"Yeah, I know what to do. I'll go now," Patricia replied, before getting up and leaving.

With a look of confusion on his face, Max asked Charlie," What's the matter with you?" he thought, 'Jesus, this guy is like a brick wall. I can't tell what he is thinking at all, but what he just did was weird.' "Nothing's the matter. The one using Ms. Riddle's soft spot for her family against her is very despicable. I won't let them get away with it so easily," Charlie grumbled.

'I will capture them and put them behind bars once and for all. Gosh, they have been buzzing around like the pesky flies they are,' Charlie fumed.

With a solemn look on his face, Max agreed, "Yeah, we better not let them get away with it this time around."

'I will not let this guy slip away again,' Charlie promised.

When lunch time came around, Jared and Nicole were already at the restaurant ordering their food.

"I haven't been here in such a long time." Nicole sighed as she looked around the restaurant.

'Everything seems to be the same as it used to be, but looking at it now brings about a sense of nostalgia,' she thought as her eyes scanned the interior of the place.

"Nicole! Mr. Johnston!" someone suddenly called out to them.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2724-Nicole raised an eyebrow and that was when she saw Martin walking up to their table with a woman in tow.

"This is...," Nicole trailed off before eyeing Martin with a cheeky smile on her face.

"A collaboration partner at my R&D Center that we're working on to develop a new project. We're almost done with it too," Martin explained.

"I can see that you two make a great team.' Nicole smiled before turning to look at the woman beside Martin.

"Hi, I'm Nicole Riddle, Martin's friend. Nice to meet you," she introduced.

Then, the woman returned the smile and introduced herself, "Hi, Nicole. I'm Cindy Rowe."

"What brings you here for lunch? Isn't your office rather far from here?" Martin asked, as he was not expecting Nicole to grab her lunch here.

"I came to see Jared for work and we decided to drop by for lunch," Nicole replied.

"Ah, I see. Well, I'll leave you guys to it," Martin said, and nodded at the couple before bidding them goodbye.

"Okay, I'll see you around," Nicole waved.

Martin turned around and sauntered off, guiding Cindy to a table nearby. Once they were seated, glanced at their direction with a glint of mischief in her eyes.

'I was beginning to wonder where he had run off to after he had disappeared for a while. Well, it turns out she's a business partner, not a girlfriend. Still, she seems quite stunning and they seem to be rather close to one another too,' Nicole observed as a smirk played on her face.

"Let's dig in," Jared said, derailing her train of thought.

Nicole then turned to Jared with that smirk still intact. "That woman looks like a good match for him, don't you think?"

"I didn't pay attention earlier," Jared replied as maintained his gaze on the food in front of them.

In response, Nicole raised her eyebrows before chuckling and shaking her head. 'Well, him not paying attention to her is a good thing, I guess...' She then turned her attention to the food laid out in front of her and began eating.

Meanwhile, Cindy and Martin were chatting along happily after they had placed their orders.

Cindy was glancing over at Nicole's table as she asked, "Do you like her?"

Martin's eyes widened before he regained his composure and gave her a faint smile. "Yeah, a long time ago, I did."

Martin used to have a crush on Nicole which he had long given up. At present, he was glad that they could remain as friends.

Cindy nodded. "Yeah, I can see why. She's a stunner."

"This is your first time meeting her?" Martin looked at her in surprise. 'I swear this can't be the first time they have met one another,' "Well, you can like people based on your first impression of them.' Cindy smiled.

Cindy had not known Nicole before this, but she was certain that someone who could catch Martin's attention was no ordinary woman.

'It's obvious that Nicole already has someone she likes, and that Martin doesn't stand a chance,' Cindy observed.

Martin seemed to have caught on to Cindy's assumption." That's Mr. Johnston, also known as Jared Johnston. They're a married couple and have a pair of five year-old twins."

Martin was in a daze, smiling as he was talking about Jared and Nicole.

Cindy, on the other hand, was surprised. "They're married and have children!?"

Cindy then looked over her shoulder and stared at Nicole.' Wow, I can't imagine someone like her would have two children already! She looks to be about my age though.' "Yeah, when I first met her, I was attracted to her too. She's a real beauty.

However, it's a pity that I'm not as good as Jared there. But, you know, we're still friends so that's cool with me," Martin continued.

It was the first time Martin had spoken at length about himself in such a long time. He was content with the relationship he had with Nicole, both in the past and at present

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2725-Cindy then shot Martin a smile. "I guess I do know quite a little bit about you.

You must be lucky to have me as a friend. r» Martin understood that there were many factors in play that were beyond his control. Therefore, he truly was lucky to have a friend like Cindy.

"So, since you've now made peace with your feelings, will you not consider other women as potential partners?" Cindy questioned.

"No." Martin answered quickly.

This was not something he could help either, for it had become near impossible for him to develop feelings for another woman.

Understandably, Cindy smiled and decided to drop the subject, bringing up work-related topics instead.

After lunch, Nicole and Jared left the restaurant and made their way back to their respective companies. He proceeded to send her back to Riddle Corporation. Then, he left for Johnston Group, whereupon Nicole turned around and entered her company building.

As the car maneuvered through the afternoon traffic, Max said, "Sir, from our current observations, it seems that Damien is not doing anything at all. Still, there's something very foreboding about his silence."

"Hmm. Make sure our men monitor him closely. Be sure to intercept any international calls he receives," Jared replied, his eyes dark and cold.

"Specters are known to dwell silently in the dark. If Damien truly isn't doing anything, you can be assured that something must be off," he continued.

"You mean he's just trying to trick us into thinking he's not up to anything, when in reality, he's still in contact with someone out there?" Max frowned a little. 'The only person whom Damien can contact now is Everett. There's no one else.' As that thought flashed across Max's mind, his gaze darkened. If their predictions were correct, then they had completed their objective. Everett had been on the run for a longtime after all.

"Ask Charlie to keep an eye on Lawrence too," Jared ordered, his voice deep and low, As compared to Everett, Jared felt that Lawrence was more of a threat who deserved heavier scrutiny. At the end of the day, the Water Crest was with Lawrence, and once he had successfully activated it, there would be no telling what he would do with it.

After all, Lawrence had been eyeing Nicole's Fire Crest for the longest time, and after he had failed, he went on to get his hands on the Water Crest. At this point, Lawrence's true intentions and motives were as clear as day.

Knowing what Jared meant, Max solemnly replied,"

Understood."

The car they were in drifted further and further into the horizon, after which it vanished completely from view.

Meanwhile, in the headquarters of Riddle Corporation, Nicole's phone rang the instant she had stepped foot in her office.

Seeing that it was a call from Lawrence, she picked it up," Leo?"

"Nicole, have you just returned to the office?" Lawrence's voice blared out from the speaker.

"Yes, what's up?" Nicole asked in an attempt to test him, as she was curious as to how Lawrence knew that she had just returned.

"I'm on the first floor. Since you're back, I'll head up there and see you."

Lawrence replied.

Upon hearing this, Nicole immediately got the answer to her question. Lawrence had likely seen her exiting Jared's car.

"Okay." Nicole replied, and hung up.

After a while, Lawrence appeared at Nicole's office.

"Since it's lunch hour, did you happen to pass by?" Nicole casually asked.

"Not really." Lawrence replied, before handing Nicole a document. "Here's a proposal for shared tenancy. I think it's quite suitable for your company, so I took a copy of it. You may try bidding for it."

After Nicole had opened the envelope, she perused the document carefully.

Then, she nodded and replied, "It's indeed suitable for Riddle Corporation."

"You may keep this copy. As for the rest of the procedures, you might want to begin with your arrangements," Lawrence said, before flashing her a gentle smile.

"Aren't you guys participating in this too?" Nicole asked him out of curiosity.

She was wondering why he would give her such an opportunity.

Lawrence shook his head. "Our company has been preparing. Perhaps we might be competing against each other too."

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2726-"Alright, I'll think about it." Nicole replied.

"I hope to see you then." Lawrence said, seemingly sincere in his intentions.

"Hopefully." Nicole shrugged her shoulders, not giving him any promises yet.

The project was definitely suitable for the company.

However, Nicole still had to discuss it with Sean and Steve to assess the company's present status and determine if they could participate or not. If they were not in the position to participate, perhaps Ellar could try it out.

A few possible scenarios came to her mind at an instant, but she decided that there was no need to discuss them with Lawrence.

Hearing Nicole's short response, Lawrence became silent and changed the subject of conversation, "How are Nolan and Lana doing?"

"They're doing fine." Nicole replied.

"I've come to notice that Nolan hasn't been active on social media these days.

Has he found something more interesting to play with?" Lawrence casually asked.

To that, Nicole responded with a question of her own. "Is there anything you want to tell him?"

The fact that he knew Nolan had not been active was a little weird.

"Oh, nothing. It's just that he doesn't reply as often anymore when I text him, so I guess he has not been online."

Lawrence smiled. "I do miss him at times, you know. That's why I would send him a message every now and again."

"I see. He definitely has been less active on the Internet these days. But I don't see him doing other things. Perhaps, the school has assigned a mountain of work for him. The school is preparing for a parent-child day, and the two of them are involved in it, so..." Nicole explained.

Hearing this, Lawrence issued a mental sigh. 'So that was the reason.' "About the parent-child day, outsiders aren't really invited, right? I wonder if I'll be given the honor to attend it?" Lawrence popped the question, his eyes brimming with a sense of longing.

Upon hearing that, Nicole frowned. "I'm not sure about that. I think Nolan will invite you if the school makes an announcement."

"I'll wait for the good news then." Lawrence beamed as if he had already received the invitation.

Nicole pursed her lips at once, as she began to feel a little awkward. It was a little too early to decide.

After chatting for a while, Lawrence bade his farewell to her and was about to leave when he stopped in his tracks.

"About the proposal, do take the time to consider it," he advised.

"Okay." Nicole replied.

After Lawrence had exited, Lulu quickly entered Nicole's office.

"Nicole, what is he doing here?" Lulu asked. 'Doesn't this man know that everyone is trying to stay away from him?' "It's nothing. He just came over to deliver me a proposal." Nicole waved the document she was holding.

Lulu grabbed it at once. "Is he really that kind?"

And after browsing through the information on the document, Lulu frowned.

"There seems to be nothing out of place here. But the more normal it seems, the more suspicious I think it is."

Nicole could not help but laugh upon hearing that remark." Don't jump to conclusions yet. At the end of the day, we'll have to be the ones to think and decide if it's suitable or not.

It Lawrence was only there to deliver the documents to her. He had not coerced Nicole into participating. Furthermore, the project in question did appear to be a good opportunity forthem.

Nicole knew that even if Lawrence had an ulterior motive, he would never show it. The most he would do was extend her a gesture of kindness so that she would let her guard down.

"So, are we participating in this?" Lulu was confused.

"We'll discuss this with Sean and Steve later." Nicole replied, feeling that there was a need to assess the company's position first.

"Okay, I'll inform them," Lulu said.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2727-"Sure. Ask them to swing by whenever they're available." Nicole nodded.

After all, it was not an urgent matter. They could settle it whenever they had the time for it.

"Alright." Lulu turned around and went on to exit the office.

Unexpectedly, Sean and Steve were already standing by the door when Lulu was about to leave.

"We're quite free. Why don't we discuss it now?" Steve shrugged when he saw the look of surprise on her face.

Nicole then passed the document to the boys and said, "You guys may take a look at this first."

After they had read the document, the two men exchanged looks.

Then, Steve said, "This does seem like a good project, but I have just taken on another project that's similar to this one."

"At the moment, I'm quite busy with my own plans as well," Sean added.

"I'm also hesitant about this. Why don't we pass it to Ellar?" Nicole asked.

She could tell that Sean and Steve were not really interested in this project. In fact, it would be better for them to let Ellar have it. BayCorp also seemed to be doing well for itself, so all Ellar needed was a bigger opportunity to make things better.

"That's a good idea." Sean and Steve agreed in unison, as everyone would be happy if Ellar took it.

"Since you guys are not against the idea, we'll just proceed with this arrangement then."

After she had spoken, she handed the document over to Lulu, "Ask the secretary to fax this document to Ellar."

"Got it." Lulu grabbed the document and went out of the office.

After that, Sean and Steve glanced at Nicole and said," Lawrence seems to be behaving rather differently this time. You must be careful."

Knowing that the two of them were worried about her, Nicole nodded.

"Yeah, I'll be careful of him."

"Everett is still in Lawrence's hands. Chloe is now in severe legal trouble, and with Uncle Damien's situation to top it off, I have a feeling that all these things are connected.

Anyways, just keep your wits about you," Steve advised.

After giving them a smile, Nicole replied, "Don't worry. I won't make any rash decisions."

"We trust you, but you must exercise extreme caution when it comes to certain things. After all, there are too many people with malicious intentions out there,"

Sean echoed out of worry.

It had very little to do with how capable Nicole was of protecting herself, and more to do with how ruthless her enemies were in getting what they wanted.

"Okay." Nicole assured. "I know that you guys are worried about me, but you can take it easy. I know what needs to be done."

"Alright then."

Sean and Steve then reminded Nicole about a few more things before they left her office.

After a short while, Lulu returned and said, "It has been delivered. Ellar should have received it already."

"Alright, well leave it up to him."

Even though it was good news that Ellar had received it, whatever he did with the proposal would be entirely up to him.

Meanwhile, in BayCorp.

Ellar was holding the document from the fax machine as he carefully read through the details, sentence by sentence, and word by word.

"You said that this was sent to us by the head office?" Ellar frowned.

"Yes. It also came with a note, saying that you'll get to make the final decision on whether you'll accept it or not. If you need any help, you may contact Lulu,"

the secretary replied.

"Lulu Barrera." Ellar said, knowing those were most likely Nicole's instructions.

Then, he nodded and said, "You may leave now."

"Alright." The secretary turned around and left his office.

After that, Ellar opened the document once more and perused the information on the document. However, he was confused.

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2728-This is definitely a good project. Nicole must have a lot of faith in me if she is handing it to me. She's trying to help me out too. But whether I can meet her expectations or not is another question altogether. What if I lose in the bidding...' All of a sudden, Ellar tensed up, and he began straining his eyes. Then, he picked his phone up, wanting to make a call.

After thinking about it for a moment, however, he placed it down and composed himself.

Nicole did not call me to tell me about this at all. Instead, she has faxed the document over. I guess this shows that she places a lot of trust in me. Because of this, I think I should take care of this myself without bothering her,' Ellar thought.

Gritting his teeth, Ellar made the decision to rely on nobody but himself in solving his conundrum.

All this time, Nicole had been guiding and aiding him along the way, and now that she was showing some faith and trust in him, Ellar should not let her down.

Having made his mind, he sifted through his list of contacts and called one of the numbers. "Please inform the project and marketing department that we will be gathering at the meeting room now. I also need you to make a few more copies of the document we have just received and send it to the meeting room."

After the call had ended, Ellar tidied up the pile of documents on his desk, strutted out of the office, and made a beeline for the meeting room.

Although they had to manage a massive workload over the past few days, Ellar knew that what he needed to do at that moment was to focus on the important things. The last thing he wanted at a time like this was to let Nicole down.

As for what Patricia had said...

Two days passed in the blink of an eye.

Nicole was just working as usual. Every threat that had been issued on the anonymous letter did not translate to actions in real life. It was as if they had just played a prank on her.

However, news about Chloe's arrest had been exposed, and it quickly made the headlines.

As expected, Chloe's odious actions shocked the public, but there was also a sizable minority that was sympathetic to her.

"Nicole, have you seen it? News about Chloe's arrest is circulating now," Lulu chirped upon stepping into Nicole's office.

They had finally gotten what they wanted: retributive justice.

"Yeah, I saw it."

Nicole, on the other hand, was calm. She had never expected any major changes to occur as far as the incident was concerned.

Unable to stop smirking, Lulu turned to Nicole and added," She brought it upon herself. I wonder if she will grow and learn from this incident. It's time she got rid of that wicked nature of hers, you know."

"No matter what happens next, that's on her. If she refuses to learn from this, she better not drag me through the mud with her shenanigans," Nicole replied, having decided she would not allow Chloe to try anything stupid on her any longer.

"That's true. Even if she chooses not to change, we'll have to wait until she gets released. But then, her prison sentence is pretty long, so it will be a tough road ahead for her." Lulu said, seemingly rejoicing over Chloe's misery.

'It's all her doing, so she should bear the consequences for her actions,' Lulu thought.

After breathing a sigh of relief, Lulu glanced at Nicole and asked, "What do you think happened to that letter?"

Up until now, nothing had happened, though there was a sneaking suspicion that nobody would be ridiculous enough to send a letter issuing a bunch of empty threats for no reason.

"Perhaps they're just waiting for the right time to make a move. Otherwise, it might just be an act to test my reaction." Nicole narrowed her eyes, not buying the idea that it was all just a prank.

"But we haven't been doing anything different for the past few days. We're all functioning as usual, so what could they have observed?" Lulu asked.

She felt that one of the reasons as to why they had not made a move was because they might have realized something.

Changing the subject, Nicole looked up at Lulu and asked," How's Ellar doing?"

"Now that you mention it..." Lulu hesitated for a moment." Why has he been so quiet recently?"

If Nicole had not asked about Ellar, Lulu would not have thought about him at all. And now that she thought about it, Lulu realized that there was no news from Ellar at all. He had not even given her a call or sent her a message.

"Did he decide to take us up on the project we've sent him?" Nicole questioned again.

"Oh, yeah. The only thing I know is that he had made the decision to take it up as soon as he had received the document. He even called for a meeting with the departments right after he had accepted the task. He had also selected a number of staff members for the job, headed by Ellar himself," Lulu informed.

After that, there had been no updates from him ever since

MY WIFE IS A HACKER CHAPTER 2729-After thinking about it for a moment, Nicole smiled. "He has grown up."

"Huh? What do you mean?" Lulu asked in confusion.

"He's taking on the project. Correct me if I'm wrong, but I think he's also planning to take charge of everything on his own." Nicole explained.

Ellar's intentions were probably aligned with Nicole's expectations for him; he wanted to succeed through his own efforts.

"Oh, so that is what has been going on. And there I was, wondering why he had been so quiet." Lulu finally understood the situation.

"If that's the case, we should just leave him to do what he needs to do. If he stumbles on a roadblock, he will contact us."

And if Ellar did not contact them, it would be safe to assume that everything was smooth sailing.

"What about the threat? Are we just going to act as if nothing has happened?"

Lulu asked.

Though she felt that there were no issues concerning Ellar, she was still worried about Nicole.

"Patricia and Charlie will take care of it. Patricia has also informed Ellar about it.

So, there's no need to stress over it,"

Nicole replied.

Since they had taken the necessary precautions, Nicole was not worried about anything at all.

"Alright. I'll get back to work if there isn't anything else." Lulu nodded and left.

Now alone, Nicole narrowed her eyes and recalled the words on the letter. |Go to the abandoned factory in the village on your own. Otherwise, BayCorp will get into hot soup within three days.] She did not go over. Ellar's side was also quiet and calm in the meantime. Then, what was the person's actual motive for sending such a threat?

While Nicole was dwelling in her thoughts, the secretary knocked on the door and entered.

"Ma'am, there's an anonymous delivery again," the secretary spluttered, her face pale, and her tone panicky.

"Give it to me." Nicole grabbed the envelope, looked at it for a moment, and opened it.

As expected, it was a letter made out of newspaper cutouts again. However, the message this time was different from the previous one. This time around, it was an ultimatum.

[Since you've gone against the instructions, you'll have to bear the consequences.] "Just like that?" Nicole frowned.

If the sender was really intent on intimidating her, it would make even more sense for them to attack BayCorp immediately instead of sending her a letter warning her about what they were about to do.

"Ma'am, are you fine?" the secretary asked Nicole, as she did not understand what Nicole just meant.

Instead of answering, Nicole turned around and ordered," Ask Patricia to come over."

"Understood," the secretary replied and spun around before exiting the office.

After a minute, Patricia strode into the office.

Upon arrival, she paused upon noticing the letter and frowned. "He sent another letter?"

"Yeah." Nicole passed it to Patricia.

After Patricia had read its contents, her eyes widened in shock. "Just like that?"

She did not understand what the sender was trying to do.' Are they trying to be more mysterious than they actually are?' "I find it odd too. What are they actually trying to do?" Nicole asked as her eyes glinted with cold fury.

The previous letter was clearly a trap, goading her to go to the abandoned factory alone. Although she had not taken the bait, she had made the necessary preparations.

However, nothing had happened to Ellar. Instead, Nicole had received another threat. One after another, threat after threat, and yet, they had not done anything to warrant a response. This had led Nicole to wonder if they were just waiting for the right time to pounce.

But if the time isn't right, won't it be easier for them to just shut up and bide their time? Why would they send me an anonymous letter and put me on guard?' Nicole thought.

'Ma'am, they're not trying to test your patience, are they?" Patricia frowned as she speculated.

After all, they could do this long and often enough to trick Nicole into thinking those were just empty threats. Then, once Nicole was desensitized, they would strike.

"No, that doesn't seem to be the case." Nicole shook her head.

If that was indeed their intention, Nicole would just put more countermeasures in place.

"What do they actually want, then?" Patricia asked, confused.

After biting her lip, Nicole answered, "Let's just wait and see."

"Okay." Patricia agreed, for it was the only thing they could do at the moment

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Even if her adversaries stayed their hands for extended periods of time, there was no guarantee that they would not do anything at all.

"Understood." Patricia replied, her eyes brimming with determination.

If they were to make a move, she would bag them with no hope of escaping.

Seeing that they were intentionally being secretive, Patricia wanted to dig even deeper and discover what kind of person they were.

"That's all. You may leave now." Nicole sighed and placed the letter aside.

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Get 50% off Premium + VPN Then, she grabbed one of her documents and got to work.

There were plenty of tasks left for Nicole to sort out, so she did not have the time to waste on threats or gusts of hot air.

Patricia turned around and left. Then, she called Charlie up on the phone to liaise with him on the issue.

"I got it. Just be careful with everything," Charlie advised Patricia.

"Yeah, you too," Patricia replied before ending the call.

Patricia frowned a little and thought through the situation. After a moment of consideration, she decided to visit BayCorp.

Both Ell ar and Patricia had decided on what they would do in the event the threats in the previous letter were actualized. But now that the situation had changed, she had to inform Ell ar and implement the necessary precautions.

Soon after, Patricia arrived at BayCorp.

"What are you doing here? Did something happen to Nicole?" Ellar asked in a panic.

In turn, Patricia calmly explained, "She is fine. If anything had happened to her, I would not have been here right now."

"Oh, you're right." Ellar scratched his head.

Indeed, if something had happened to Nicole, Patricia would have been by her side, aiding her against her enemies.

"I'm here to tell you that Nicole has received another anonymous letter, so you're not exactly safe here. It's better for you to be more cautious from now on.

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I must also tell you not to go anywhere without the security detail I've assigned you." Patricia advised.

Those two individuals had been tasked to protect Ellar, so there was absolutely no room for carelessness.

"I got it. Don't worry," he replied.

Ellar had been very cautious ever since he was informed of the letter. In addition, Nicole was the prime target of their enemies too, so he would do well not to allow anyone to capitalize on him being the weak link among the Riddles.

"That's good." Patricia nodded in satisfaction.

However, she was rather sure that Ellar was a ticking time bomb which would deal everyone a severe blow if he were to go off. There was no telling what would happen if Patricia did not do something to ensure he did not.

"So, you mentioned that there's a new letter. What does it say?" Ellar asked, trembling and worried.

'Is it another challenge for Nicole? Why are they pestering her?' Ellar wondered.

"It's nothing. Just remember what I've told you," Patricia finished, and was about to leave when Ellar called out to her.

"You're leaving?" Ellar asked out of the blue.

"Is there anything else?" Patricia stopped in her steps and turned to look at Ellar.

Naturally, Ellar seemed to be a little nervous. "It's almost noon. I'm heading out for lunch soon. Why don't you join me? If Have you heard about our special Black Friday discount?

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"I'll pass," Patricia declined.

"You'll still have to go out for lunch, right?" Ellar persisted. "I have a few things to discuss with you as well."

Patricia frowned, and after a second or two, she relented." Alright then."

"Let's go now." Ellar smiled.

They found a restaurant, sat down and began to order their food.

"What is it?" Patricia asked, her tone cold and crass.

"Oh, it's nothing too serious. I just want to ask about the anonymous letter. Is Nicole in danger? Who is eyeing her?

Why are they so secretive?" Ellar asked in rapid succession while Patricia's frown deepened.