

## Hidden 1791

### Chapter 1791: Contract Signing Ceremony

Lei Ming was having a really bad headache. He had been living in hell ever since Ning Xi retired and Ling Zhizhi quit her job.

"Muye, it's not that I don't want to clarify. I can't! The crew is very strict on being secretive about this movie. If you expose the movie to clarify yourself, Han Zixuan's side won't be responsible at all. They can just say that they didn't know why the photo was leaked. We'd be in trouble by then! This is Chen Mian's movie!"

Actually, Jiang Muye had taken on a small role out of respect for Chen Mian.

The person who benefited the most from this leaked photo was Han Zixuan.

"The contract signing ceremony for 'The World' is happening soon. If this thing goes out of hand, the crew from 'The World' will be affected too. Both main actors fought with each other before the filming started. What would people think about it?" Lei Ming tried to convince him with all his might.

Jiang Muye's attitude changed a little after he heard that "The World" might be affected.

Lei Ming quickly continued, "Wait until Chen Mian's movie is announced officially and the filming for 'The World' starts, then we'll clarify and all will be good. Just bear with it for a little while longer..."

Lei Ming finally managed to convince Jiang Muye and avoided a catastrophe.

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The rumor between Jiang Muye and Han Zixuan was becoming more and more popular in a short amount of time. Even the upcoming "The World" became successful because of it.

Sun Huanqing and Meng Changge in the new version of "The World" would be played by the popular secondary cast from the movie, covering the regrets of the fans, and attracting a lot of attention.

Many comments and discussions were sparked online.

"Wow! Han Zixuan as Meng Changge, Jiang Muye as Sun Huanqing! I'm really looking forward to this cast! I have a feeling that it'll be better than the original!"

"Of course, they are a pair in real life, after all! They'd just be acting as themselves!"

"I'm so heartbroken. The goddess is taken! But why are they keeping it a secret? The news seems to have been going on for a long while!"

"It's probably the guy's side. You know what I mean!"

"If it's really the guy who wants to keep it a secret, Jiang Muye might really be a jerk. He wants to be in a relationship without giving her a proper title!"

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At the Imperial Royal Jazz Hotel.

The press conference for the famed "The World" had finally arrived.

Almost all the media arrived. The whole multipurpose hall was filled up, and even the walkway was packed with journalists with their cameras on standby.

Han Zixuan wore an iconic little red dress. Her dark hair and fair skin along with her beautiful face stood out. There was quite a fuss when she arrived and they took many shots of her.

"Hello, everyone!" Han Zixuan greeted the media politely, then she sat down on the seat with her name in front.

At the table was the director Guo Qisheng, the co-director Wang Linhai, the producer Qin An, the scriptwriter Ye Linglong, Han Zixuan's manager Zheng Anru, and the two main leads, Han Zixuan and Jiang Muye.

A trailer played before they introduced all the characters. There were some new faces and many original actors from the movie as well.

The ones left now were the two highly acclaimed main actors.

At this moment, everyone else had arrived except Jiang Muye and his manager.

#### **Chapter 1792: Played Games For The Whole Night**

Ten minutes had passed since the press conference started, but Jiang Muye was still nowhere to be seen.

Han Zixuan was having small talk with the others and she would also chat a little with the journalists to shift everyone's attention, carefully softening the awkwardness of the male lead being late.

"Isn't Jiang Muye really arrogant? He's late to such an important event!"

"Right! He's making a girl cover up for him!"

"Goddess Zixuan is so sweet. She has such high EQ!"

"It's really rare to find a female actress that's beautiful, smart, and good at acting nowadays!"

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After another ten more minutes, Jiang Muye finally arrived.

"Sorry! There was a traffic jam on the road! Sorry to make everyone wait!" Lei Ming apologized to the director, the producer, and the media. He seemed extremely experienced with situations like these.

Lei Ming quickly led Jiang Muye to his seat after the apologies, relieved that he could finally take a breather.

Jiang Muye looked like he had just woken up. He wore a wrinkled white t-shirt and sat there with his legs in a wide, relaxed stance. He rested his arm on the back of the chair and tilted his head as he looked around with his eyes narrowed...

Fortunately, Jiang Muye's appearance was rather outstanding. Even with this messy look, he was still as cool as ever. His lazy attitude and wild aura were much more attractive than his usual self.

The complaining journalists, especially the females, forgave him almost instantly.

Han Zixuan looked at Jiang Muye and frowned a little. "Senior Jiang, were you up all night looking at the script again? I heard from Director Guo that you're taking this series very seriously. I'm really looking forward to working with you."

Her words not only covered Jiang Muye. She even put him under a good light.

Any normal person would just go along with it, especially with such a beauty, yet Jiang Muye was not a normal person.

Jiang Muye did not even bat an eyelid. "You're overthinking it. I just played games the whole night."

Han Zixuan was speechless.

Lei Ming felt like he wanted to die!

Whatever! They were just chatting in private after all...

At the same time, the manager of the promotions department took his script and made a start.

"Alright, since everyone is here, let's begin the press conference!

"Firstly, thank you for all the love and attention for 'The World' from all the fans and media. For everyone invited to the scene today, we'll be announcing the two important main actors of the series and have our contract signing ceremony here.

"So as not to betray everyone's expectations, after three months of a meticulous selection process, the final candidate for the role Meng Changge and Sun Huanqing have been finalized.

"The male lead is the same actor in the original movie, Jiang Muye.

"The female lead is the beloved actress starring in many popular drama series such as 'Crush', 'Peachville', and 'Empire of Smoke', the goddess Han Zixuan!

"Her outstanding acting as Princess Chang An in 'Empire of Smoke' was enough to convince everyone that she can live up to the role of Meng Changge.

"I believe everyone feels relieved after knowing who the main cast is..."

After the speech was done, the emcee announced, "Next up is the Q&A session. Everyone can start asking questions now!"

The journalists raised their hands quickly as they had all been waiting for this session.

### **Chapter 1793: Do I Have A Choice?**

The first reporter, who was picked to shoot his question, asked in excitement, "I believe my question is asked on behalf of all the media and the fans. Zixuan and Muye, are you guys really together?"

There was a big fuss when the question was asked.

It was pretty big news anyway, so everyone was looking at them with high expectations.

Jiang Muye's indifferent expression slowly froze up...

Lei Ming was freaked out by the question. He stared at Jiang Muye carefully and was afraid that he might explode any moment.

Lei Ming forced a smile and replied, "Haha, it's just a misunderstanding. Don't overthink it, everyone!"

The reporter would not back down so easily. "The photo is so obvious. I'm afraid it's not just some misunderstanding!"

As Lei Ming was about to reply that they would give everyone an appropriate explanation in due time, Han Zixuan's manager, Zheng Anru, interrupted, "I'm sorry. Thank you for everyone's concern towards Zixuan, but today is the press conference for 'The World'. I hope everyone can focus their questions on the series itself!"

Lei Ming's expression darkened.

The others might not understand it, but he fully understood the underlying meaning.

She acted like the good cop to end the question, but her words were basically admitting it!

As expected, the reporter stopped asking, but everyone's eyes seemed different. They most likely thought that their relationship was secure.

The other reporters started asking more questions.

"Zixuan, this time it's a remake. Are you worried that you might not be able to surpass the original?" The second reporter asked.

This question was no doubt the toughest question for a new artiste participating in a remake.

Han Zixuan replied without a change in expression as she looked calm and composed, "There's no surpassing, and I don't have to surpass anyone. I am myself."

Her short reply seemed confident, but not arrogant, leaving a good impression on everyone at the scene.

Jiang Muye stared at the woman beside him and grinned sarcastically.

The third reporter looked at Jiang Muye and asked, "Muye, it's been about two years. How do you feel about playing the role of Sun Huanqing again? Are you satisfied with your new partner?"

Lei Ming opened up his palm in secret and let Jiang Muye see the answer he had prepared for him.

Ignoring Lei Ming, Jiang Muye replied, "Do I have a choice?"

Lei Ming was speechless.

Well... that was a pretty okay answer coming from him...

"Haha, Muye just loves to joke around. Of course, we're very happy with the candidate the crew spent three months selecting. We're really looking forward to working together."

No matter what happened, Han Zixuan kept a smile on her face. Zheng Anru was looking at Jiang Muye with a moody expression.

Soon, everyone's questions were answered.

As the end approached, the host said, "One last question! Yes, the one in the red shirt!"

The girl in red shirt looked really excited. She took a deep breath and stood up as she looked at Han Zixuan with a serious expression. "Everyone knows that 'The World' is the famed work of Ning Xi. It also helped her score the Golden Film Award's title of Best Female Secondary Lead. Her acting as Meng Changge was absolutely remarkable."

### **Chapter 1794: Erupting Blondie**

"To many of the old fans, Ning Xi's portrayal of Meng Changge is their conviction. Even if the ending of the movie's ending was regretful, there is a beauty in regret too. I'd like to ask Ms. Zixuan, what are your thoughts towards the feelings of these fans of the original piece?"

This question took a different approach but had a similar outcome to the first question earlier. However, it was more biting. The girl had even mentioned the name that was almost forgotten by the public. She straight up pointed out that Han Zixuan could not compare with Ning Xi, that she would tarnish the original version of Meng Changge in the old fans' hearts.

When she heard the name in such a sarcastic question, Han Zixuan did not react extraordinarily as if that person was just an insignificant name.

At this moment, Zheng Anru spoke from the side, "Allow me to answer this question on behalf of Zixuan."

Zheng Anru paused, then she continued, "The reason I'll be answering is that Zixuan doesn't know or understand the artiste named Ning Xi that you've mentioned.

"To avoid affecting the original work, Zixuan has never once seen the original movie. Just as Zixuan had answered earlier, she doesn't need to surpass anyone. She just needs to be her best version of herself."

Haha, did not know?

Did not understand?

The curve of Jiang Muye's taunting smile was even more obvious now.

She was a person who had taken over all of Ning Xi's opportunities, initiated the routes that Ning Xi took, and stolen more than half of Ning Xi's fan. To break free from Ning Xi's radiance, she had maliciously breached her contract and left the company. Even the way she responded to the reporter earlier was a botched mimic of Ning Xi's arrogant style...

Was this called "not understanding"?

When Han Zixuan's manager said this, she looked slightly crossed as she continued to say to the public, "Since Zixuan started her career, she has experienced many malicious slanders. Also. because her

appearance is outstanding, she's also been compared with many other female stars who are just pretty and have no substance.

"However, time and her capabilities can prove everything. Zixuan cannot be placed on par with a sub-standard person who uses her face and body to make it to the top. This is an insult to Zixuan!"

The instant Han Zixuan finished, Jiang Muye's lazy eyes suddenly widened as an earth-shattering coldness started to spread...

On the side, Lei Ming had been frightened stiff by Zheng Anru's words!

He had been by Jiang Muye's side for a long time, and he was clear about what was Jiang Muye's bottom line and untouchable spot!

"Used face and body to make it to the top..." Zheng Anru had said these words because during the period when Ning Xi had started to vanish, many people had suspected and maliciously created rumors that it was because Ning Xi had been kept as a mistress...

Zheng Anru was clearly implying this.

Lei Ming was so anxious that his forehead was overflowing with cold sweat. He fixed his gaze on Jiang Muye, afraid that he would do something impulsive.

Unfortunately, Zheng Anru's own artiste had clearly been stepping on Ning Xi's head all the way and then harped on Jiang Muye's popularity to make it to the top, yet now she continued to condemn Ning Xi righteously. She fearlessly twisted the facts just because Ning Xi had long retired and no one paid any more attention to her.

"Here, I'd like to solemnly state to all the media that I hope everyone won't ask such insulting questions in the future! Don't mention Zixuan's name with some unbearable people of poor moral conduct!" Zheng Anru substantially stated her final conclusion.

Lei Ming's hands were shaking as he was about to pee in his pants from the fright, yet he saw that Jiang Muye sat obediently on the chair, playing with his phone as if he did not notice Zheng Anru's words. He let out a sigh of relief.

However, the instant he felt relieved, Jiang Muye put his phone back into his pocket and suddenly stood up with everyone watching. Then, he started making his way towards the door in strides.

All of the crew members and journalists, including Lei Ming, were baffled...

Suddenly, there was a cacophony of buzzing and ringing of phones in the room...

They had all set a special notification on their Weibo for some of the more important artistes in the entertainment industry.

Everyone had received a notification that just a few seconds ago, Jiang Muye had updated a new Weibo post.

Jiang Muye had shared a post about the scandalous news between him and Han Zixuan. That scandal had a picture of them kissing attached. In fact, they had romanticized Jiang Muye and Han Zixuan's passionate history. All the comments were about how infatuated Jiang Muye was with Han Zixuan.

However, in that Weibo post that Jiang Muye had shared, he had written two words: [F\*ck your mother!]

### **Chapter 1795: Enough Time To Accompany**

Lei Ming looked at the reactions of those reporters present as his heart skipped a beat. He had an incredibly bad feeling.

He trembled as he took out his phone, hoping that the situation could not be as terrible as he imagined. He comforted himself. He had been with Jiang Muye for so long that he had seen all sorts of things...

In the end, when he saw those words, his tall and strong figure wavered, and he almost cried.

Oh, Master...

You are asking for my life right now!

At the same time, Zheng Anru, Han Zixuan, and the members of the main creative team discussed with each other for a while. Instantly, they all had seen the Weibo post that Jiang Muye had posted too. All of their expressions were so furious that one could not bear looking straight at them.

After Guo Qisheng was briefly startled, he shook his head and let out a helpless, bitter laugh that seemed like he expected this.

When those people had mentioned Ning Xi, he already had a bad feeling...

Indeed...

In this one year, Jiang Muye had kept down his temperament. He even gave people the illusion that he had restrained his sharp temper and was mature, yet they forgot that Jiang Muye was still that old Jiang Muye.

Inside the hall, after a few seconds of awkward silence, the organizers of the press conference were instantly besieged by the shaken reporters. All sorts of questions rained down on them.

"May we ask what just happened?"

"Why would Jiang Muye suddenly post such a Weibo?!"

"May we ask if the two main actors are on amicable terms or not?"

"Hey, don't go! Please explain!"

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The organizers would never have thought that such a huge chaos would happen. They did not have any contingency plans at all, so they could only let everyone leave first and avoid the crazy reporters.

Suddenly, the entire place was in an uproar while the originator of the chaos was already nowhere in sight.

Lei Ming had narrowly escaped the pursuits of those reporters, then he hid in an unmanned corridor to frantically call Jiang Muye.

To his horror, Jiang Muye's phone was already in an area without service...

While his phone was already exploding from the calls from everyone, there were tens of calls from just Yi Xudong alone.

After all, Glory World Entertainment was currently practically being held together by Jiang Muye alone. If their sole scion got into trouble too, he, Lei Ming, could die ten thousand times and it would still not be enough of an apology.

Earlier, when Ling Zhizhi was still around, at least Jiang Muye would still listen to her, but now that Ning Xi was gone, Lu Jingli had long returned to the corporation and no longer cared. Even Ling Zhizhi had vanished after Ning Xi retired. He was really isolated and without help right now...

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In Deer Town.

The bedroom was empty. There were no traces of the girl.

Lu Tingxiao was holding a bowl of ginseng soup as he stood at the door. The bowl suddenly slipped from his hands and shattered on the ground beside his feet.

"Ah... Darling, what's wrong? Are you hurt?"

When he heard the girl's voice from behind him, Lu Tingxiao abruptly turned around and pulled the girl hard into his embrace.

The man's heart was beating extraordinarily fast. His breath was hurried and disordered as it heated the girl's neck.

The instant Ning Xi was drawn hard into his embrace, she seemed to notice a frightened and weak expression on Lu Tingxiao's face that she had never seen before...

Was it because she had just gone out for a while and he suddenly saw that she was not there, so he was worried?

Ever since she had woken up, Lu Tingxiao seemed to be just like this. As long as she was not within his line of sight, he would be spooked easily, seemingly due to past experiences.

Little Treasure was the same. He was unwilling to leave her for even a moment.

Never mind. She had enough time to accompany them and make up for when she had been vacant for a long time...

### **Chapter 1796: Cannot! Get It Going!**

Apart from that, after she woke up, she still had one more very important thing to do!



It was the one thing that she had regretted not doing earlier the most during the time she had fallen into a coma.

Ning Xi thought of something and then tugged on Lu Tingxiao's hand. Her face was glittering with a glow. "Darling, follow me. I noticed a place with an especially great scenery. It's particularly suitable for relaxing. I'll bring you there to look around, okay?"

Lu Tingxiao did not suspect anything. His tone was filled with a longing to pamper and indulge her. "Okay."

Lu Tingxiao helped Ning Xi put on a jacket, then the two of them walked towards the forest behind the lake.

Along the way, Ning Xi started to ramble incoherently as she kept talking to Lu Tingxiao. No matter what she said, Lu Tingxiao would listen fully focused, and he would respond earnestly.

The further they walked into the forest, the quieter it became. The scenery became more and more beautiful as well, while Ning Xi's palm that was holding onto Lu Tingxiao's gradually started to sweat from all the nerves...

Bloody hell! She was already experienced at flirting. Why was she so terrified at such a key moment?

No! Get it going!

The two of them walked past flowers and brushed past leaves as they strolled through the forest filled with the breath of plants. Before them, their line of sight suddenly widened. Ahead of them was actually a sea of flowers that had formed into layers of floral waves with the caress of the spring breeze...

She had noticed this place when she looked out from her window. Earlier, she had secretly left the house to check out this location too.

When he suddenly saw such a huge sea of flowers, even Lu Tingxiao's breath was taken away too.

Even though he had been living here for more than a month, apart from that building which had her, he had not step foot on other places.

"Darling, isn't it beautiful?"

Lu Tingxiao looked into the girl's eyes that reflected the sea of flowers which spread out over mountains and responded, "Mhm."

Ning Xi looked up at the man before her. "Lu Tingxiao..."

Ning Xi had never called out his name this seriously before. Lu Tingxiao's expression could not help but tense up as he silently looked at her and waited for her to continue.

Ning Xi took a deep breath, then she said, "Before I met you, I only existed for the sake of existing, achieved my dreams for the sake of it. As for when everything I should've done was completed, what meaning was there left for me to continue on living? I had never thought of it, Even if you let me die right at that moment, I probably wouldn't have had anything I couldn't bear to part with or would've missed."

When he heard this, Lu Tingxiao's gaze tightened slightly.

Ning Xi smiled faintly as her gaze was fixated on the man before her. She continued to say, "However, I met you and Little Treasure. It was the first time knowing how it felt like to be needed, the first time knowing how it felt like to be someone's entire world, the first time I knew that I could also be weak, that I could also be headstrong, that I could also just be myself, that I could also love like normal people, and to live..."

The girl tiptoed and kissed the man's lips. "Lu Tingxiao, having ten thousand eyes on me can't compare to being the only one in your heart. You are the most wonderful, warmest person I have ever met in my lifetime..."

"Lu Tingxiao, let's... get married..."

The sea of flowers rolled up and down in waves as the butterflies fluttered around. Lu Tingxiao's consciousness seemed to have suddenly been shaken from the heavens. He stood there rigidly while the girl kissed him. He did not move and had lost all ability to react.

What... did he just hear?

The man did not react for a long time. As skilled as Ning Xi was, she could not hold on much longer at this moment. Her palms started to sweat. "You still didn't tell me your answer."

Some time passed before the man finally came back to his senses from that ecstasy that almost swallowed him whole. His voice trembled as he answered, "Madam, I'm afraid... I can't do that..."

### **Chapter 1797: I'm Already Married**

I'm afraid I can't do that...

Can't do that...

Ning Xi's face turned pale when she heard Lu Tingxiao and she was stunned.

She used up all her might to stay calm, then forced herself to ask, "Why?"

Lu Tingxiao took his hand away from the girl's palm and showed her the back of his hand.

Under the sunlight, Ning Xi could clearly see a simple ring on Lu Tingxiao's ring finger.

Was that... a wedding ring?

Countless possibilities had flashed in her mind the moment before, but she never expected things to turn out this way.

Lu Tingxiao... was married?

That ring was so simple-looking that perhaps she never realized it up until now.

"You... you're married?" Ning Xi had no idea how she managed to ask this question.

"Yes." Lu Tingxiao gave her a firm answer.

Bloodlust practically spurted out of Ning Xi's eyes as she felt confused. "Who's that woman?"

"She..." Lu Tingxiao paused, then he looked at the girl and continued, "She's the cutest, kindest, and brightest girl I've ever seen in my life..."

The girl in front of him was clenching her fists. She was about to turn into an evil dragon.

"The first time we met, the way she questioned my sexual orientation was cute. When I offered myself to her, the way she fled was cute. She liked me so much, but the way she denied it was cute..."

Ning Xi was confused when she heard Lu Tingxiao.

"My wife... She's cute when she calls me Lu Tingxiao. She's cute when she calls me 'Boss'. She's also cute when she calls me 'darling'. She's even cute when she's about to bite me to death in front of me right now..."

Ning Xi was stunned speechless. It took her a while to regain her voice. "You... What do you mean?"

Lu Tingxiao took out another ring from his pocket and slide it onto the girl's ring finger. "I'm already married to you."

Ning Xi looked at the ring on her finger. Apparently, it was a matching pair with the one on Lu Tingxiao's finger.

What?

"Sorry, you were a little swollen back then. I was worried that it might block your blood flow, so I took the ring off you. As for our marriage certificate, they are with Little Treasure. He can only sleep with it nowadays, but I'll ask Little Treasure to let you look at it later."

What? What?

She knew all the words Lu Tingxiao had just uttered, but why did she not understand it when they were grouped together?

Ning Xi felt stupid at the moment. "W-wait! Wait! You mean... you... you're already married? And to me? We even got the certificates? How could I not know about it? Do I have amnesia?"

"On the third month of your coma, the doctor did another body check-up and said that you have almost no chance of waking up again. On that day, I proposed before your bed and made the necessary marriage arrangements," explained Lu Tingxiao.

Ning Xi was speechless.

So, she was really married to him?

Yet she was stupid enough to propose to him just now?!

No wonder Lu Tingxiao said he could not do it...

Right, he had called her his wife after she woke up. She had not really been paying attention. Even Lu Jingli had been calling her "Sister-in-law" after she woke up as well...

Ning Xi was overwhelmed at the moment.

She had brought him here to propose to him, and after the whole fuss, the person she proposed to was already her husband?

Was there anyone as unfortunate... no... as lucky as her?

### **Chapter 1798: You're Right My Wife**

"Sorry, without your permission..."

Lu Tingxiao was about to apologize for making a decision without her permission.

The next moment, the girl stared at the ring on her finger and gushed in excitement, "Wow! My luck sure is amazing! After a nervous proposal, I find out that you're already my husband?"

Lu Tingxiao smiled. This girl was always thinking differently from everyone else.

"You almost scared me to death! I thought you were really married to another woman!" Ning Xi pouted and complained.

Lu Tingxiao looked at the girl in front of him quietly. "What would you do if I was really married to another woman?"

Ning Xi raised her eyebrows when she heard the question. "How is that possible? I'm so kind, cute, and obedient. You'd need to be really stupid to marry someone else!"

Lu Tingxiao grinned and laughed genuinely. "Mmm, you're right, my wife."

Ning Xi felt really warm inside when she heard Lu Tingxiao called her his wife. She jumped towards him and hugged him. "I like it when you call me your wife. Say it again..."

Lu Tingxiao coughed lightly with a slightly unnatural expression. "My wife."

Ning Xi was finally satisfied, but she then thought of another important question that asked in a serious tone, "Is there anything else I don't know?"

"Quite a lot of things have happened when you were in the coma," replied Lu Tingxiao.

He was afraid that she might get confused by telling her too much, so he withheld some information about what happened.

Ning Xi pestered him, "What is it? Tell me!"

The two of them walked back slowly as they chatted.

"It's about the Zhuang family."

"Zhuang family? What about them?" Ning Xi did not understand.

"You didn't stay here at first. You were in the Imperial military sanatorium. After that, I shifted you here because you might be bored there and I was hoping it might help you to recover," replied Lu Tingxiao.

"I stayed in the sanatorium because the Zhuang family helped me?" Ning Xi asked.

"Mmm, the Zhuang family already knows about your identity, and they already thought of you as one of their own. They've been helping to take care of you and have been researching different ways to help you regain consciousness in the past year."

"Ah..." Ning Xi sounded surprised. "Even Keer and Rongguang knew?"

"Yes." Lu Tingxiao nodded, he did not mention about the initial conflict they had to not let her worry about it, "So, while we're keeping it a secret from the public that you've woken up, we still need to let the Zhuang family know about it, I've asked Jingli to tell them."

"Mmm, of course!" Ning Xi nodded.

Ning Xi was waiting for Lu Tingxiao to continue, but he had stopped, so she carefully phrased her next sentence. "I heard from Jingli and Little Treasure that your father isn't doing very well recently."

Lu Tingxiao was silent for a while, then he said, "It's not looking good. He's barely holding on with the help of medicine. You saved Little Treasure, so my parents are immensely grateful towards you and they felt guilty as well."

Apart from that, Lu Tingxiao did not say anything else.

As they arrived at the door, they met Lu Jingli who had just come out of his car and was walking in.

Lu Jingli saw them and ran over. "Bro, I've informed the Zhuangs already. Father and Mother know too!"

Lu Jingli then looked at Ning Xi before he said hesitantly, "Also, Father said... he wants to meet Sister-in-law. So did Mother... She has something for Sister-in-law..."

## **Chapter 1799: Spare My Life**

Lu Tingxiao frowned and just as he was about to decline, Ning Xi stopped him. "They're your parents and not some wild beasts. It's alright to meet them."

Since she was already married to Lu Tingxiao, they could not just keep on eluding them.

Lu Jingli nodded. "That's right! Sister-in-law, my parents are much better now. They're really grateful towards you. My father declined every single girl who came to propose marriage, and my mother has probably visited every single temple in the country to pray for you!

"You don't know this, but Guan Ziyao did a lot of things behind our back. My brother investigated it and revealed all of them in front of my parents. From Su Yimo's altered appearance, Little Treasure's poisoning... Those were all the Guan family's scheming! They spoke among themselves in private and mentioned that the first thing they were going to do after Guan Ziyao married into our family was to eliminate Little Treasure!

"And also, when Little Treasure was in danger, I'm sure Guan Ziyao let him go on purpose so the bad guys could take him!

"My parents know that they are at fault and that they've wronged you. My father regretted not believing my brother. My mother is also blaming herself for misunderstanding you.

"When I told them that you've woken up, my father, who was supposed to be bedridden, suddenly sat up and started saying that he wants to see you. Even my mother was also making a fuss that she wants to follow me here..."

Ning Xi giggled at Lu Jingli. Was there anyone who would talk about their parents like this?

"Please believe in me, Sister-in-law, I won't deceive you! It's really okay to meet them!" Lu Jingli said in a serious tone.

Ning Xi squinted her eyes. "You won't deceive me? Then, why didn't you tell me earlier that I'm already married to your brother?"

"Uhh..." Lu Jingli was taken aback. "Right, you didn't know yet... but... you can't blame me for this! I didn't think about it at all! You've been my sister-in-law for over a year, so I was already used to it..."

Lu Jingli then looked at them carefully. "Why? What's wrong?"

Ning Xi pouted. "I brought your brother to a romantic sea of flowers. I was prepared to grandly propose to your brother, then he told me that he can't do it because he's already married! Do you understand how I felt just now?"

Lu Jingli was annoyed. "Then, can you understand the pain I feel right now? Please spare my life!"

Since she could not get anything out of Lu Tingxiao, Ning Xi grabbed onto Lu Jingli and demanded, "Hold up, tell me what happened? How did your brother get married to me?"

Lu Jingli looked at Lu Tingxiao and coughed lightly.

Lu Jingli did not notice his brother's expression at all and sold him out. "Sister-in-law, at that time, everyone thought you'd never wake up again. The Zhuang family even told my brother not to wait for you anymore, and that they'd take care of you forever.

"Then, my brother took out a ring and knelt by your bedside to propose to you. The Zhuangs, my parents, and even your manager were there. My brother swore before everyone, proposed to you, and helped you put the ring on. He even prepared the marriage certificates..."

### **Chapter 1800: Your Mother Thinks You're Cold**

Ning Xi had been smiling as she listened. When she heard till the end, she had tears in her eyes instead.

"Eh, Sis-in-law, why are you crying?! Did I say something wrong?" Lu Jingli had been rambling on in a lively manner, but when he saw this, he was immediately worried.

Lu Tingxiao's expression changed too. "What's wrong?"

"Nothing." Ning Xi shook her head.

Just when she thought about how Lu Tingxiao had completed something that was meant for two people to do together by themselves, there was an unexplainable pain clutching at her heart.

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The three of them discussed for a while and at last, they decided to meet up that night.

After Lu Jingli left, Ning Xi immediately went to look for Little Treasure to see the marriage certificate.

The little guy fixed his gaze on Ning Xi and was unwilling to shut his eyes. He did not sleep for the entire night and only nodded off when it was morning.

Ning Xi kissed the little guy's sleepy face and asked Lu Tingxiao softly, "Where is it?"

Lu Tingxiao held his son's head up slightly, then he pulled out two red folders from underneath his pillow.

Little Treasure frowned softly, but probably because he sensed his mother's familiar aura, he very quickly rubbed his hand against the back of his mother's and fell asleep soundly.

Ning Xi carefully opened the marriage certificate. She kept flipping it to study it over and over again. As she looked through it, she softly muttered, "Mmm, this is not a fake certificate, is it?"

Lu Tingxiao's expression instantly darkened. "It's real."

Ning Xi looked through this new and odd document for a long time. She still felt that it was incredibly mystical that she was already married when she woke up from her long slumber.

The photo had been taken at the photo sticker booth from when she went out on a date with Lu Tingxiao. He also had gotten a way to obtain the documents. Even the signature was actually hers...

"You're sure you want to see them?" On the side, Lu Tingxiao asked with a scowl.

Ning Xi gripped the marriage certificate in her hands and looked earnestly at the man before her. "Lu Tingxiao, all this while, you've always told me to leave everything to you, but now that we're husband and wife, no matter what the problem is, we should always face it together."

That single phrase "husband and wife" instantly made the space between his brows fill with tenderness...

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At night.

Ning Xi, Lu Tingxiao, and Little Treasure returned to the old residence together as a family of three.

Once they reached the door, they saw that the entire old residence and courtyard looked completely new. The car had just come to a stop when the butler and a servant had jubilantly walked out to greet them, all of them calling out uniformly, "Master, Little Master, Lady!"

Just from the servants' attitudes, they knew that the two elders must have briefed them. From a certain level, the servants represented the opinions of the two elders.

Very soon, a woman with graceful mannerisms had rushed out of the house. It was Yan Ruyi.

When Yan Ruyi saw Ning Xi, she was first stunned, then her eyes instantly became wet before she walked over to greet her quickly. She held onto Ning Xi's hand emotionally. "Xiao Xi, you're here! Why are you wearing so little? Aren't you cold? Tingxiao, why don't you let Daughter-in-law put on a few more layers of clothes? This weather is a cold snap during spring. It's still cold!"

When Lu Tingxiao heard his mother's concern, he readily followed the sound advice and added one of his coats onto Ning Xi's shoulders even though she was already very tightly bundled up.

Behind them, Lu Jingli shook his head and sighed, "There's a kind of cold called 'your mother thinks you're cold!'"

Yan Ruyi shot her son a displeased look. "Your sister-in-law's body is weak right now. I already said that I'll personally go over myself, yet you won't let me! If she's worn out, who are we putting the fault on?"

Lu Jingli, who got unjustly attacked for just being present, was speechless.

Indeed, bachelors had a statusless existence at home!

"Xiao Xi, quickly come in and have some chicken soup to warm your body up first. I personally stewed it myself for a few hours on low heat!" Yan Ruyi cordially clung to Ning Xi's arm and led her into the house, even forgetting all about her two other sons.

Only Little Treasure was still barely remembered. Yan Ruyi added, "Little Treasure, you quickly come too!"