Chapter 59 Like Father

"I..."

I hesitated.

Not because I was afraid of the possibility of having to risk my life on the battlefield. No. If it had been as simple as that, I would have answered yes immediately without even batting an eye.

But this wasn't the battlefield. This was Tong City, my home. If I get myself involved and bring

the battlefield here, what would happen to my friend, and the woman that I loved?

The Old Man knew me. He said, "Your captain wasn't afraid or anything like that. He just wasn't

Cai asked nervously, "Captain, why are you hesitating?"

sure."

I scratched my head again. I wanted to explain to the Old Man that if this had been back at the

But things are different here!

southwest, I wouldn't blink an eye even if the enemy held a gun against my head.

Never mind the guns and smokes on the battlefield, I couldn't even bare to see what Chen Yuzhou

now, so that Lin Fang could live in the comfort of safety forever.

"Before you say anything, just let me ask you this one thing."

did to Lin Fang. If I could, I'd get make Chen Yuzhou disappear off the face of the earth right

"Old Man, I..."

"Are you still a Snow Leopard?"

hand!?

Old Leader spoke softly, but those words dropped and weighed on my heart like mountains. Immediately I felt a heat overflow from my heart and rush up to my head.

I spoke, my voice coarse with warmth and gratitude, "Yes! I am, and will forever be, a Snow Leopard!"

a soldier were already deeply ingrained in me. Discharged or no, they will always be my strength for the rest of my life.

The Snow Leopard changed me, and I will be a Snow Leopard until the day that I die.

I knew the answer already. I had always knew. No matter when and where, the honor and duty of

The Old Leader patted my shoulder, unsurprised at my answer, "Little Cai will stay with you in Tong City. The Chief Commissioner will agree to sign for your release as soon as someone comes to bail you out. Someone other than me, of course. Your identity, and our connections, must remain confidential. Those police officers just then, I'll see to it that none of them talks. And as to the details of the mission, Cai will inform you in time."

He even closed the door after him as he went out. The door closed with a click, locking back in place. I ran to the door and grabbed iron bars on the door yelling after them, "Hey, Old Man, are

you playing me? If you won't bail me out, who will? Little Cai!?"

Then Old Leader motioned Cai over to him, and left my confinement cell.

The Old Leader grinned and exclaimed in pretend shock, "You're the richest man in Tong City, surely you must have people lined up to get you out of there."

What! So the Old Man really had come all this way just so he could stuff this tough case into my

"Get back here, Old Man! You get your butt back here right now!"

My shout echoed down the length of the prison hallway. Of course, no one answered.

The moment I stepped outside the building, a red eyed Zhou Xiaoqiang blocked my path, as vicious as a rabid hound.

It was already late afternoon that Han Kun's people came for my release.

old man? If he didn't come to bail you out, why did he do that!?"

their cameramen that had been staking out at the police department.

Man had came for me, and even fewer knew my connection to him.

Zhou Xiaoqiang jumped, and then denied heatedly, "Preposterous!"

try to save you?" I chuckled, "Fool."

his office for much longer."

felt like decades.

can drive."

in it than I last remembered.

was almost second nature now.

"Stop playing with me!"

histories of what he had done.

veteran.

Walking away, I remembered something. I turned back to Zhou Xiaoqiang.

police officer that kicked me in my cell earlier in the day.

"Someone got taken off duty?"

He wasn't wearing his uniform, and his hair was a mess, like a completely different person to the

Zhou Xiaoqiang grabbed my collar, and immediately a group of officers came to separate us.

But Zhou Xiaoqiang wouldn't let his hand loose. He asked me through gritted teeth, "Who's that

you right? You were taken off duty because you interrogated him without authorization. Go home, get some rest, and don't make it even worse for yourself. Or do you really want to be demoted even further!?"

The other officers also tried to calm him down, and another group went to stop the reporters and

One officer sighed and tried to calm him down, "Come on, let it go. The Chief Commissioner told

Under everyone's persuasion, Zhou Xiaoqiang reluctantly loosened his fingers on my collar. I straightened out my collar, then turned around and left.

Looks like the Old Man didn't leave any loose ends. Not many of them even knew that the Old

"Zhou Xiaoqiang, you and I don't even know each other before this. So, did you do those things for the Deputy Commissioner?"

He said, but anyone who still had half a brain knew what really had happened.

I said to him, "He put you up for this, but now that you got the short end of the stick, did he even

dog, but others quickly held him down.

I said, "Well, don't feel too bad about it, because the Deputy Commissioner won't be able to have

Lin Fang heard that I've been released, so she rushed over to the police department to pick me up.

When we saw each other, our eyes reddened with wetness. Though it has only been a few days, it

And that immediately triggered another fit of rage from him. He lunged at me again like a rabid

Lin Fang threw herself into my arms. Holding her, suddenly having gone through everything until now didn't seem so bad after all.

"Lin Fang, I made you worried. Look how tired and exhausted you are."

having to worry about me on top of looking after her father.

wash off all that misfortune of getting involved in all of this."

Seeing Lin Fang's smiling face, I felt that everything was worth it.

"All this is nothing, so long as you're alright. I drove your car here since I don't have a car myself." Lin Fang said, a little embarrassed.

I said, with her in my arms, "What's mine is yours anyway. Though it did surprise me that you

"Well, you're going to be surprised about a lot of things. Come, let's go get something to eat, and

The blackness under Lin Fang's eyes seemed even heavier than before. She must be exhausted,

Getting into the car, I glanced at the meters, and then asked passingly, "You filled up my car for me?"

Last time I drove, the tank was almost empty. But now, though almost empty, it still had more gas

Never let any details escape, was the motto that has been drilled into me as a recon specialist. It

Lin Fang said, a little awkwardly, "I've been driving your car lately. These few days, I've been

trying to find people that can help you, but it's difficult if I don't drive."

thing I have is my little electric bike. Are you sure you want that?"

"You can drive it as much as you want. Like I said, what's mine is yours."

Lin Fang looked at me, looking touched. But I followed up, "But this car isn't mine. The only

After that hearing, the whole country was in an uproar, especially on the internet.

Before it was filled with one sided criticisms against me, but after that hearing, many voices

Chen Yuzhou really has made quite a name for himself in Tong City. In the beginning it might

Chen Yuzhou was a much more interesting target to play with than a boring little discharged

have been Han Kun who intentionally leaked a few stories, but now, it looked as if the entire Tong

City was bursting with stories about Chen Yuzhou. I guess the keyboard troopers had realized that

raised up, all claiming to be either friends of past victims of Chen Yuzhou, or the victims

themselves. And then, before long, it became filled with discussions on Chen Yuzhou and

On our way, Lin Fang briefly told me what happened during the time they put me in confinement.

There were even stories exposing Chen Yuzhou having pulled one of his female classmate's hair braid back when he was in elementary school.

Which only made Chen Yuzhou even more frustrated, and swore in public that he'll find people to kill me as soon as I was released from my confinement.

And this was only the beginning. More than Chen Yuzhou, the media even turned their attention

As careful as a character Chen Ruhai is, this made him wary to the point that he locked up his son

peace. Though the media bombardment never ceased, but none of them had anything concrete enough to really threaten the Chen's.

Though a rushed and crude solution, but locking Chen Yuzhou up did buy the Chen's a moment of

Lin Fang saw my frown, and said, "Though neither of us had the power to stand against Chen Yuzhou, with the whole country watching us, even he wouldn't dare do anything underhanded to us now."

I laughed in agreement, "You couldn't be more right about that!"

on Chen Yuzhou's family, his father and his uncle.

and forbade him from causing any more troubles.

"Don't make fun of me, I'm serious."

"I'm not making fun of you, but you got one thing wrong. Not only will he be too afraid to do anything to us, but this is the perfect opportunity to smack him down. Fangfang, you just sit back. Leave it to me, and I'll make it so that you'll be able to live a peaceful life from now on."