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As the phone call continued, both the couple slowly went quiet. Not because they're finally out of words to say but because the longer they listened to each other's voice, the more their longing to see and touch each other's intensified. It's only been a week, and yet unlike before, he felt like not seeing her is a torture for him. That moment, Sei felt like sooner or later, he might not even last a day of not seeing her anymore.

"Sei...?"

"Mm... I'm here."

"I... I hope you will finish your work soon so you can finally come home." She said softly and honestly, not hiding the faint feeling of longing in her voice. Causing Sei's supposedly iron will to just crumbled down like a fallen wall of strong rocks.

He then opened his mouth to tell her he'll come home but the word "I'm..." just left his mouth, he paused. His attention was suddenly snatched by the familiar sound coming from the computers he just left working on their own. He turned and saw the computers' screens filled with unending flow of numbers, indicating that it finally found a vulnerability that will lead to a ripe exploitation.

That moment, Zaki could only smile as he looked at the screens.

As expected with you Sei. The government of Country H will go crazy if they found out you're about to take control. I guess... it won't be long until you finally found what happened in that town...

Zaki then turned his gaze back to Sei, waiting for what he was about to tell his wife.

"Mm... I'll finish my work fast and come home." He then said before the call finally ended. And as soon as he put his cellphone down, a gloomy aura enveloped him as he stared at his phone when Zaki suddenly patted his shoulder.

"Don't get disheartened Sei, I personally think it's definitely better if you finish these first before you go home." He said and Sei just glared at him sharply. Showing him his extreme displeasure that caused Zaki to just laugh.

"Haha, don't get me wrong. I'm not discouraging you because I don't want to take that deadly trip again. This is because you already decided not to touch her unless you're done with these. I'd prefer you finish these things now so you can go home and finally make babies with all your heart's content, you get it?" he continued while Sei just lazily walked towards the computers as though he didn't hear a thing he said.

However, before Sei took a sit, he turned towards Zaki as he ordered him.

"Go get me food." He ordered and Zaki immediately disappeared inside the hall. Leaving Sei just sitting there quietly staring at the ceiling for a while, before he finally returned his gaze into the computer's screen.

Minutes later...

Zaki entered the hall pushing a meal delivery cart inside the hall. And by the time the cart stopped before him, Sei's brows immediately knitted. It was because Zaki used to simply get him simple food in a lunch box as per his request.

Ignoring Sei's displeased gaze, Zaki prepared the food and by the time Zaki bring out a fruit, Sei's face turned dark. Looking at his dark expression, Zaki could only sigh. He knew that Sei wasn't fond of foods and he wasn't picky at all, however, there's an exception. Sei never eats fruit at all, as though to him, he would only force himself to eat fruits when it's the only food left on Earth. Well, back then, Sei always give all the fruits in his meals to Zaki. So when Zaki asked why, Sei's mother told him that Sei was somewhat traumatized back when they were first caught and imprisoned. She said that seven years old Sei was forced to eat a nearly rotten fruit with few worms in it. And even though he knew the worms were harmless and will be destroyed by the stomach pH, it still left a huge impact in his young self.

"Hey, what's with that face Sei, you know you need to eat these nutritious things. And your wife is actually the one to asked me buy you fruits." He said and the darkness in Sei's face disappeared the moment he heard it was an order from the wife. However, when he looked at the fruits, he could only avert his gaze and looked at Zaki.

"Go pulverize them. Asked some scientist to turn them into pills." Sei said causing Zaki's mouth to hanged opened in disbelief.

"Hey, if you don't want to eat them, just don't. I'll just tell her you hate fruits..."

Zaki didn't even finished his words yet when Sei snatched the apple in Zaki's hand. Causing the man to fell speechless.

"I'll eat it. Don't do anything unnecessary." Sei said as he picked the knife and started peeling the apple clumsily.

Watching him, Zaki could only sigh and reached out his hand towards him.

"Give it to me. Stop treating apples like that." Zaki said and Sei just glanced at him before he quietly continued, ignoring him, while Zaki just sighed again and took another apple and a knife. He quickly peeled the apple like a pro in front of him and Sei's eyes could only widened a bit.

"Here." Zaki said as he reached out the perfectly peeled apple towards him but the man didn't accept it.

"Give me another one." He asked instead and when Zaki didn't move, Sei stood and started practicing how to peel the apple. Until time went by and Sei peeled a total of six apples when Zaki finally burst.

"Oi... I brought these for you to eat, not for you to practice with. I'll call your wife if..."

"I told you, don't do anything unnecessary." Sei cut through Zaki's words again as he gulped and stared at the apple he just peeled. And like a little kid forced to have a bite with a certain extremely bitter medicine, Sei took a bite and eat the apple with an indescribably inexplicable expression.