

Lazily 541

Chapter 541: Not Easy, but Possible

Just like all allies of Alfons, Gabi actually knew every little detail of Councilman Yong's dirty little secret. Obviously, Alfons wanted to use this information in case the man betray him.

"What was her name again? Amanda? She is a beautiful baby, you know."

"You " Councilman Yong's face reddened. "How did you "

"It's useless to ask such a question, Councilman Yong. All I know is that you purposely hid this information because of what you did to her mother. Her mother was half your age, right? About the age of your son?"

Gabi smiled when she saw the councilman started trembling before her. "You know forcing yourself to a woman is just shameful. Don't you think so, councilman?"

The councilman's face turned purple. Gabi couldn't help but wonder why the man was holding his breath. "What do you want? If you want me to approve the reclamation, then "

"No."

"Excuse me?"

"I want you to convince everyone not to approve of this project."

"What? Do you understand what you are saying? This is going to be an economic zone! Everyone would "

"I have my reasons, Councilman Yong. Just do as I say and we will live happily ever after."

Councilman Yong glared at her. "There is no end to this, right? After I do this, there will be more in the future! Since you have my weakness now, then you are going to treat me like a dog."

"Hmmm that is partly right." Gabi beamed. "Don't worry, as long as you don't hurt your child, then I won't treat you badly."

Councilman Yong pursed his lips. "And if I do this what are you going to do next? Obviously, the other party is going to argue. The only thing that we could do is delay the reclamation for a few years. However, once the new mayor would " Councilman didn't continue his words as he stared at her. Realization hit him. "You Don't tell me that you want me to become the next mayor?"

"Yep. It seems that you really have the ability to think in advance. Impressive!" Gabi was actually following the events that would happen in the previous lifetime. Even without her intervention, Councilman Yong is going to be elected as the mayor, while Alfons is going to be elected as a councilman.

In the previous timeline, Alfons and Councilman Yong became close around this time.

"You are going to support me?"

"Of course."

"Why? Is this just because of the reclamation project?"

"Yep." Gabi inhaled the rich smell of her coffee before taking a small sip. Smiling, she continued, "I am expecting Councilman Yong to win. I know that Councilman is ambitious, someone who only thinks about the welfare of the people. So the position suits you perfectly."

For a few seconds, Councilman Yong stayed silent. He lowered his head and stared at his fingers. "Alright, I will do my best to stop the reclamation."

"Thank you. Since Councilman Yong is a very busy individual, then please go ahead and leave."

The councilman stared at the necklace before he slowly pushed it towards her. Of course, the man understood that the necklace is another trap. His child is only a few years old. Why would Gabi give her a nice, elegant necklace? Since Councilman Yong didn't want to have any more unforeseen problems in the future, he decided to give the necklace back. "Thank you for your kind words. I will inform you once everything is settled."

Gabi nodded and waved her hand at the old man, who seemed to have gotten ten years older after seeing her.

"Miss, do you think the councilman could actually do it?" Kasper asked.

"Yep." The old man was able to hide his dirty deeds for years. Even Alfons paid a lot of money just to know this old man's weakness.

"But isn't it impossible? That place is a future economic zone. The people won't allow that to happen."

"It won't be easy, but it is possible," she said as she recalled Earl's words about this project. The reason why her grandfather wanted to stop or delay it is because of flooding. This project could affect the lower regions of the neighboring cities and also affect one of their subsidiary company. It was indeed a selfish move on the part of her grandfather.

This is why Gabi told Earl that she would delay the project for at least two years. By that time, their grandfather should have come up with a new measure to cope up with the flooding. There are other options that they could explore to avoid any losses, so Gabi was confident that this won't have any huge effects on the company.

The only thing that made her ecstatic about this task was the fact that this would allow her to put a leash on that old man.

"Miss, what if he betrays you?"

"He won't do it without researching more information from me." And since he doesn't have the means to do that, Councilman Yong won't have a choice but to get close to Alfons. This would give them two opportunities to scheme against her. And once the scheme fails, Councilman Yong is going to abandon Alfons.

After all, Gabi still held a piece of concrete evidence about what he did.

"Let's go back to the house," Gabi said. She is not really in a hurry to inform her grandfather that she already finished her first task.

"Miss, it seems that you are right. I just received a text message from one of our people in the Sealey Family. They are indeed preparing the back villa for her. And it seems that they are planning to send young master Harry abroad for a few months."

"Oh Too bad." Gabi sighed. The only good thing about this matter is the fact that Aren didn't get pregnant. Meaning, no child will be involved in this war. "Well what can I say? Send Aren to the Sealey Family. And make sure to tell them that hurting her is like hurting their son too."

Chapter 542: Chocolate Caramel

After telling her grandfather about the matter with the councilman, Gabi enjoyed a few relaxing days, where she solely focused on her exercise and training. She used to be so weak that she couldn't even run for five hundred meters without panting. However, now, she could run for a total of five kilometers without stopping! To some people, this is a very small accomplishment, but to her, this is already very special.

She is really proud, ah!

"Fifty-five kilograms." Gabi beamed. After waking up, she was only about forty-eight kilograms. However, she gained some muscles this time. She already felt healthier and more energetic!

After a quick shower, Gabi changed into comfortable clothing and checked the market. So far, all of her investments were doing pretty good. She targeted blue chips, so the increase isn't instantaneous.

In the past few days, her routine has been like this. Gabi thought strengthening herself was on top of her priority. After all, she couldn't really do anything if she faints after a few steps.

"Miss, here is the information about the prosecutors and the law graduates this year. We are still looking into the information about the current attorney general."

"Thank you." Today, Gabi decided not to do anything. She would not check her emails or read some reports. She is going to spend the day all by herself.

It was because today was her son's birthday.

September thirty.

A smile was on Gabi's face when she went to her room and chose a dress that her son would surely love. It was a white dress, just like the snow. It was just like Luca's white hair.

Gabi decided to buy some flowers and maybe some of the candy bars that Luca used to love. It was just some local candies that are manufactured by some company in Isonburg City, the City where the Capital House or the House of the Minister and House of the Royals was located.

"Please give me a pack of the chocolate caramel ones, thank you." Gab hugged herself a little tighter. The breeze is getting colder and colder everyday. [Mommy, do you want some candies?] Her son's voice seemed to echo inside her head when she accepted the pack of candies from the vendor.

"I didn't know you like candies."

"Hm?" Gabi turned towards the source of the voice. "Aden?" Surprise flashed in her face. "What are you doing here?"

"Isn't it obvious? I'm buying candies. Did you think I'm here to buy guns?" Aden said before turning to the old man selling candies. "Just like the usual."

"You know this man?"

"I've been buying candies since I was a teenager. Keeps me awake."

"Oh. You like Choco caramel too?" she asked when she saw the man gave him three packs of chocolate caramel candies.

"Yeah, the sweeter the better."

"Oh." Gabi lowered her gaze as she stared at the candy in her hands. Luca used to say that, too. Her love loved candies, the sweeter the better. He especially liked this brand.

"Did you just come here to buy these candies?" Aden looked at her. "You looked too polished for this neighborhood."

"Ah?"

"Your dress it's out of place."

"Oh. Sorry about that."

"You are you sick?"

"Huh?"

"You are in a daze."

"Oh. I'm just thinking about the weather."

"Weird woman."

Gabi frowned but said nothing. She just held the candy on her chest, as if hugging it as she started walking away from him.

"Hey, where are you going?"

"Just walking around."

"In this dress?"

"Yes, is there something wrong?"

"Hey, why do you sound so decile?"

Gabi stopped walking. She turned towards him. "I am not in the mood to argue."

"Oh. Then do you want me to accompany you? I happen to be free today."

Gabi looked at him. He was wearing a casual blue shirt and white shorts. "You just arrived?"

"Yeah, an hour ago. I rushed here to get candies."

"Oh."

"If you keep on walking like that people are going to target you soon. You look like a helpless little girl."

Again, she didn't say anything. In the previous life, she only came here once to buy candies but she didn't really get out of the car and just told the maid what to buy. This was her first time walking around in this area.

"I will come with you."

"Do what you want," she said. Obviously, she isn't going to ruin her day by arguing with this annoying man.

"Ah, are you familiar with this place? If you want I can tour you around."

"You are acting nice. It's making me suspicious."

"Hehe I'm just bored."

"Then go home and sleep."

"I just woke up," Aden said as he opened one candy. "You want one?"

"No. I don't eat candies."

"Really? Then"

"It's for someone."

"Oh."

For a few seconds, silence descended between them. "Let's go. I will take you somewhere," Aden said.

"Where?"

"A nice place. Don't worry, I won't take advantage of you. I still have standards, alright."

"" This man If today is not a special day, she would have kicked this man's shin already! "Alright then."

"Hmmm. Do you have a car?"

"No."

"Then let's take my car."

"Alright."

Soon, the two of them arrived in a parking lot. He led her towards an ash-colored Maybach. Gabi maintained her silence until they finally left the area. "This is towards the mountains?" she asked.

"Yeah. It's fall. You should see the trees."

"Oh."

"You were born here, but you haven't actually visited the trees, right?"

"Right." She just stayed at home and studied. Even in her past life, Gabi didn't visit any of the tourist spots of this country.

"What a boring life," he scoffed. "How come you looked really down. Did something happen lately?"

"Na, I'm fine."

This time, Aden didn't say anything anymore. He just drove until they finally reached an area that she didn't know existed before.

Chapter 543: Gabi's Boyfriend?

All she could see was the gold and scarlet autumn colors, a bewitching art of nature. Surrounding them were leaves and the cold breeze of the upcoming winter.

"This place is beautiful."

"I know. I used to sleep here."

"But this isn't developed?" This place is just like a forest. There were no houses nearby. Since they were currently standing on top of a small hill, she could see the view of the city.

"Ah, this is private property."

Gabi nodded. She didn't ask him about the owner of this property, as she felt that Aden wouldn't tell her, anyway. For a few minutes, she just stared at the ocean of leaves and the view of the city. This place looked really great and since it was located in the north, there should be a lot of snow during winter. Luca would have loved to stay in this place. "I want to live here."

Aden said nothing.

It took her a few seconds to realize that he was no longer standing by her side.

"Aden?" Turning her head around, she saw the man comfortably lying on a mat under the tree. He looked like he was sleeping. "Huh?" Walking towards him, she realized he was indeed sleeping. This man how could he sleep in a place like this?

Then she recalled how Aden said that he just came back. "A pillow?" Aden had a pillow? She slowly sat next to him and immediately realized that the mat is soft. This one felt like a bed? How is this possible? Does this mean that he had a bead and a pillow in his car? Does he love camping so much?

Looking at the man's comfortable posture, Gabi sighed and stared at the vast sky. Isn't it nice to have this ability to sleep anytime, anywhere, and not think about anything else? This kind of life was too good to be true. Gabi waited for about an hour before she decided to wake the man up. It was already four in the afternoon and the Sutton mansion is about an hour away from this place.

Gabi didn't want to miss the special dinner that she asked the head maid to make.

"Dinner? I was trying to eat some lobster in the capital. Why do you need to go home?" Aden grumbled. With traffic, driving towards Sutton Mansion would take him more than an hour. Meaning, it would take him about three hours in total to travel back to the capital.

Three hours of just driving is just too much for his weak body!

"Why don't you just have your dinner in the mansion?"

"Are you inviting me to have dinner with you?"

Gabi frowned. This man she couldn't understand him. "Never mind, I will take a cab."

"Hey, I was joking. Joking. Let me take you home. I am quite hungry, so tell them to prepare a lot of food."

Gabi nodded. Nonim already prepared a lot of food. She even asked her to make the chocolate cake that her son loved so much.

After more than an hour, the two arrived at the mansion. Seeing Gabi with a man made everyone speechless.

This was the first time that she had a man accompanying her around!

Was it a date?

Is this going to be Gabi's boyfriend?

"I didn't know that you are having a date with someone."

Gabi froze when she heard Alfons' voice. She looked at the man who was approaching them. Alfons' face was already flushed. She could smell a hint of alcohol around the area. "Why are you here?" Gabi asked.

"Is that how you treat your brother after not answering my calls for days?"

"I am busy."

"With this man?"

"I don't think that is your business. Brother!"

"Hah. And you still call me, brother? Are you really treating me like a brother?"

Gabi scoffed and continued walking. "Sorry, you have to see that."

"Ah? No problem. Nonim, please take Aden to the patio at the back and prepare dinner."

"Yes, young miss. Sir, please follow me."

"Gabi are you ignoring me?" Alfons asked. "Why are you acting like this? You even invited someone like that into our house?"

"My."

"Excuse me?"

"My house."

His jaw dropped, speechless. "Gabi, how could you say that? I get that you are mad because of what happened, but are you really going to forget the fact that I am your brother because of some other people? We grew up together. How could you just forget that because of what Harry did?"

"You are drunk. Please leave the house."

"Gabi"

"I have the right to invite anyone in my house."

"Are you really going to act like this because of that damn maid?"

Gabi said nothing. She just squinted her eyes at the man as she wondered why he was drinking. Was it possible that the Quiglys didn't help him? Or was he trying to appeal to her pity?

Gabi snorted. In the past, she would get extremely concerned if her brother would end up drunk. When Alfons is drunk, he would always throw some tantrums, cry and just become a different person. At that time, she didn't even think that he was just pretending. At the end of the day, she would immediately know that someone was troubling him. Obviously, she would always help him.

"Who is that man? You didn't even tell me that you are seeing someone."

Gabi rolled her eyes. "Why are you here?" she asked.

"I just want to see you."

"Now that you already saw me then you can leave. I don't want to see you."

"Is this because of Harry?"

"You are blaming someone else because of your scheme? The only reason why I am still calling you brother is that I have small respect left for you. After all, you were my only friend when I grew up alone in this house." Gabi narrowed her eyes. "But that is the only thing that's left between us. You tried to scheme against me, brother. Did you really think I would be that dumb to believe your words now?"

"Gabi, I didn't know anything. I swear that Harry is just using my name! The Sealey Family wanted to ruin our relationship simply because he was jealous of me."

"..." What?

"You don't believe me? How could you doubt your own brother?"

Should she just slap him in the face?

Chapter 544: Moon And Superheroes

When Alfons finally left, Gabi went to the patio and silently ate her food with Aden.

"I'm sorry you have to see that."

Aden just nodded. They just finished their dinner and are now enjoying some wine on the patio with the view of the full moon. Earlier, the two ate without saying anything to each other.

"Ah, it's fine," Aden said. He, too, had his own family issues. In his case, it wasn't because someone in his family was scheming. It was because everyone is just too smart. One wrong word and the entire family would know your secrets. His mother looked casual, but she understood everything about him. Meaning, scheming around her is just not the best option. "This wine is from Plaria?"

"Yes, my father bought it."

"It's an expensive one. I believe they only made a hundred bottles with this version. And you actually opened it tonight?" He was languidly sitting next to her.

"Wines are meant to be open."

"True."

Gabi nodded. Her gaze was on the tree that looked beautiful under the moon. A sigh escaped her lips. Who would have thought that one day, she would choose to spend time like this with a stranger? "If you still have things to do, you can leave. Thank you for joining me."

"You are weird."

"So are you," Gabi said. In fact, this whole thing was weird. She couldn't believe that she actually invited this man for dinner.

"After inviting me for dinner, you are just going to kick me out. Now I am thinking, you have some weird fetish."

"Huh?"

"Do you like watching handsome guys eat?"

"" What? She turned towards him. She felt like laughing but getting angry at the same time. "Let's finish the wine. Since you cannot drive, I will let my driver "

"No need, one of my men will get me."

"Ah." Gabi nodded. Just as she suspected, Aden is someone trusted and valued by Archy. Perhaps he was really Archy's right-hand man.

"Hey, did you know that the footprints in the moon will stay there for the next hundred million years?" Aden said. Just like her, he was staring at the huge moon. "There was no air or anything that could affect it. So everything in that moon will be there for a long, long time."

"Oh. I didn't know that."

"Every year, the moon is drifting away from our planet."

"Really?"

"Yeah about 3.8 cm." Aden lifted his hand and held it towards the moon. "After billions of years, the moon would go out of the Earth's gravitational field."

"You seem to know a lot of things about the moon."

"I read a lot."

"Really? You don't look like one."

"Heh. You are one judgmental woman. Just because I am good-looking doesn't mean that I am dumb."

"" She doesn't know what to say. "Do you know a lot of the space too?"

"Let's see my knowledge is more in the field of science. I read a lot about space but I am more into medicinal science."

"Really? That sounds boring."

Aden turned toward her and chuckled. "Yeah it was boring, alright."

"If you love medicinal science then why are you working for Archy? Shouldn't you study medicine and become a doctor or maybe a researcher instead?"

"I studied med."

"Yeah?"

"Though I never practice. I know how to dissect muscles and organs. Pretty useful."

"" Was he using this knowledge to torture people? How scary. "And you're not planning to become a doctor?"

"Hmmm" Aden twirled the wineglass and smiled. "Nope. Helping people is not my forte."

"Oh, I know someone who loves to be a doctor." For the first time tonight, Gabi had a gentle smile on her face. "He wanted to become a doctor to heal his sickly mother."

"Sounds like the dream of a child."

"Yeah." It was her son's dream. A doctor. Someone that would save his mother.

"How about you? What are you studying right now? I heard you are pretty smart."

"I don't think I am smart enough."

"Whoa you are being humble. You finished college at a young age, right?"

"It was because I can memorize a book. It has nothing to do with being smart."

"Really?"

"Yeah, acing the exam was easy. But applying that knowledge outside of the university is extremely hard."

"Ah, you need experience."

This time, Gabi laughed. As someone who already lived a whole life, she had a lot of experience in life. "You are right. I need to experience certain things to survive. Anyway enough about me. Why don't you tell me more about medical science? Do you know which company is showing excellent results in their research?"

"Why are you asking?"

"Of course, I have to invest."

"Ah then just invest in Shen Group. Your money will be safe if you invest in that company."

"You sound confident."

"Of course, I am confident. I know their head researcher."

"Really?" Gabi smiled. "I heard they are trying to study nanotechnology right now? Is that true?"

"Yep."

"And do you think they will succeed?"

"Yep."

Gabi couldn't help but chuckle this time. "Are you saying that because their head researcher is your friend?"

"No. Shen Group is made up of extremely smart people. With technology, I am confident that they are going to contribute a lot of things for the betterment of humans."

"" Why does this man sound like someone working for the Shen Group? "Nanotechnology. Do you think we could use it to create superhumans?"

"Hmmm Not sure."

"But it's possible, right?" Gabi asked before she turned silent. In the past life, Shen Group would have a big breakthrough about using nanotech to heal cellular level injuries and heal cancer. It was just one reason why they became a superpower in this world, capable of ruining smaller countries.

"Probably?"

"Hey, do you think people with superpowers would exist one day?"

"Yes," Aden answered without batting an eyelid.

"That sounds good."

"Why are you asking questions like that?"

"I just know someone who likes superheroes."

"Ah" Aden stared at her side profile. "I think superheroes already exist in this world. We just don't know about them yet."

Chapter 545: Charities

"That man who is he?" Alfons was leaning against the door, glaring at Gabi as she walked inside the mansion. She just finished her morning exercises and was about to take a shower to start her day.

"Gabi, you know that you are not just any woman. You are a Sutton and the heiress of the Ren Family. You can't just get close to anyone that you like."

However, Gabi didn't respond. Instead, she walked past him.

"Hey, are you listening to me?"

"Why are you still here?"

"I decided to move back here."

"Oh?" Gabi didn't stop walking, so Alfons followed her.

"That man he doesn't look like someone from the prestigious family in our country. Who is he?"

"None of your business."

"Gabi, can you stop your tantrum and talk to me like an adult woman?"

"Tantrum?" Gabi smiled as she stopped walking. "You think I am still throwing a tantrum?"

"Yes. I know this is just a phase. I know you are angry but "

"You are no longer welcome in this house."

"Gabi How could you say that?"

"You are too nosy, brother." She didn't hide the sarcasm in her voice.

"Can you at least listen to me? I promised father that I will take care of you! How could you act like this just a few months after father died? Do you think he would be happy to know that you are not listening to me anymore?"

Gabi's lips started twitching. How shameless. "What do you want to talk about?"

"I don't know Gabi. I am exhausted. All this fighting and arguments with you are making me exhausted. Can we just stop all this?"

Gabi didn't show an iota of emotion on her face. She just blankly stared at him. Seeing this, he continued, "I didn't know that you would act like this. I am still your brother and we are families. I think we should just forget about the past and start over."

Again, Gabi just stared at him, saying nothing.

"You are not going to say anything?" Alfons asked.

"I am giving you the chance to say everything that you want."

"Well, this fight is affecting the people around us. Even the servants are having a hard time coping with the tense atmosphere."

"Then they should just leave," Gabi said. "I am paying them to work, not to think about the atmosphere."

"Gabi! How could you say that? These people have worked here for years!"

She snorted. "And?"

"They are family."

"What a good logic. Why don't you start paying them their salaries? After all, they are your family?"

Alfons' eyes widened. She couldn't imagine the amount of anger that he was feeling right now. However, Gabi was silently applauding this man. After all, he wasn't showing any anger on his face. In fact, Alfons looked pitiful in front of her right now. Just this amount of acting talent left her in awe.

"Aren't you exhausted?"

"Nope."

"If you really hate me that much, then can you at least think about the other parties affected by this issue?"

"Other parties?"

"Since we started fighting, you also stopped donating to charities that I am working with. I know you are punishing me but what about those people? They did nothing against you. Why would you involve them?"

Gabi couldn't help but chuckle. Everything about this man's actions would involve something that would benefit him. How did he miss this kind of stuff before?

"Charities? I don't remember donating to the charities under my name, brother. Perhaps you forgot whose name was used to donate using my money?"

"You " This time, Alfons' face turned ugly. In fact, she gives monthly donations to charities through Alfons. Obviously, the donations became under his name too. He was known as the benefactor of over ten charities. And none of these people knew that the money came from Gabi.

In the past, she never minded these things. To her, the important was the thought. She wanted to help, so she gave money. She didn't care if it was Alfons name. Moreover, he was her brother, so it was alright. It does not affect her at all.

However, since they started fighting, Gabi stopped sending money through Alfons. He asked Lawyer Oh to manage the donations and put it under her name instead.

"You look angry, brother. Did I say something wrong?"

"How did you become this petty?" Alfons asked. "You did this just because of the name? You actually stopped helping people because they thought it was my own money? Gabi, how could you lower yourself like that?"

"Actually, I never stopped helping them."

Realization flashed in his eyes. "So, you donated under your name," he nodded. "And you did it to spite me."

"You are thinking too much, brother. I donated because I wanted to give. I didn't have any other hidden agenda."

Alfons stared at him, speechless. He clenched his teeth before saying, "I am leaving. I will be moving back tonight."

Gabi didn't say anything as he took a step towards the door.

'It seems that Gabi finally grew some spine,' he thought inwardly. Once he went out of the mansion, he opened his phone and dial a number.

"Hey, change of plans. I can't change her mind. She doesn't trust me anymore. Let's use another approach." In the past, showing Gabi his vulnerable side always works. He would cry or get drunk and immediately get her attention. However, this time, it didn't happen. Aside from that, Gabi didn't get involved in that incident where he was kneeling outside of the company for days. Usually, seeing him like that was Gabi's weakness. Again, it didn't work this time. So, he concluded that he needed someone else to help him.

'You mean that approach?' the person on the other line asked.

"Yes. I will move back into the mansion tonight. Please prepare everything. I hope we can execute the plan, next week."

'Got it. You should be careful. You were too rash this time. Now, the trust that you built is slowly crumbling.'

"I know. I was too rash. Anyway, call me once everything is ready."

'Got it.'