

## Loving 821

### Chapter 821. Remember Her (2)

Qi Lei was dazed for a moment. He stared at the pills that Xi Xiaye stuffed into his hand. After a long while, he lifted his hand weakly and swallowed them.

He had not eaten or drunk water in quite a few days, so Qi Lei now looked quite dehydrated. Xi Xiaye examined him and then turned to say to Li Si, "Li Si, go see if there's any glucose water here. Bring some over."

Li Si nodded. He turned around to leave the room very quickly.

"Let me help you downstairs to sit."

The room was filled with the stench of alcohol which Xi Xiaye could not quite bear and she began to feel dizzy.

Qi Lei did not respond, but Xi Xiaye just took it as his agreement. When she was about to help him up, Qi Lei, who had been keeping quiet, suddenly said, "No need. I can do it myself. Help me take a set of clothes from the wardrobe."

His dry voice sounded raspy and weak, and he seemed absent-minded.

Xi Xiaye paused for a moment, then nodded and walked to the wardrobe while Qi Lei propped himself up on the bed with a little difficulty, but he still managed to steady himself.

Xi Xiaye silently brought his clothes to the bathroom, then looked at him with mixed feelings, though she did not say anything before leaving the room.

Half an hour later, Qi Lei had finally changed into a set of clean clothes and slowly made his way downstairs. Apart from his pale complexion, he did not look very different from his usual self, yet if you looked closely, you could still sense that faint grief and melancholy on him.

He did not say much as he just finished his food while Xi Xiaye and the rest prepared the car.

Today they were going to attend the funeral. Early in the morning, Li Si had arranged for people to help out, but they said they did not see Qi Lei, so Xi Xiaye was worried. After that, she decided to go over and take a look with Li Si. Unexpectedly, Qi Lei was indeed here.

With regard to Wang Qin's passing, Xi Xiaye did not know what else she could say. Mu Yuchen was still at the police station. As long as he was not clear of suspicion, he would need to continue being detained in there. As for how it affected the outside world...

She did not know whether Qi Lei believed Mr. Mu as she did, but she thought that he should at least have sensed that even Wang Qin believed him, did she not?

Wang Qin's funeral was organized quite simply. According to Qi Qiming's orders, they only informed several friends and family members.

The cemetery was chosen to be at West Hill Cemetery where Xi Jiyang was also buried.

It was Qingming just yesterday, so before the many tombstones were bouquets of fresh flowers, but the cemetery looked quite deathly still.

Along the way, Qi Lei did not say a word. Even though Qi Qiming tried to say some things to him, he did not respond at all.

The rain was falling quite heavily. Despite holding up umbrellas to shield themselves, you could still hear the raindrops pitter-pattering. The friends and family members who came to send her off had left, so only Qi Qiming and Qi Lei were left in front of the tombstone. Yang Sheng stood behind Qi Lei and quietly held up the umbrella for him.

Qi Qiming turned to look at the expressionless Qi Lei. He thought about it for a long time and said in the end, "Don't be too sad now. She's gone. Your mother has always hoped for you to take responsibility for yourself. Since she's gone now, then you should take over her position. Go back and sort out your frame of mind. Then, come back to work in a few more days. I've already called for an adhoc shareholders meeting which everyone has agreed to, so you still have quite an important duty to uphold."

A few days ago, the father and son had fought at the hospital. Now, Qi Qiming still felt a vague pain all over him, yet he studied Qi Lei with mixed emotions.

Qi Lei seemed quite distant from Wang Qin before this, yet of course, deep down he cared very much about his mother.

When Qi Qiming finished, a sneer immediately surfaced on Qi Lei's face as he said in a raspy voice, "Haven't you long wished for her to be dead? The entire Qi Kai's in your hands now. It's exactly what you want, so why do you have to pretend like you care?"

"You..."

Qi Lei made Qi Qiming furious again. His sharp eyes flashed with hostility as he responded coldly, "Your mother's death has nothing to do with me. The person you should be looking for is Mu Yuchen, not me! Even if I controlled the whole of Qi Kai, I wouldn't go to the extent of taking out my own woman!"

"Your woman? Do you deserve to say that? Don't think I don't know that you force her every time, you animal! I find myself dirty just thinking about how your blood flows through me! You know that she's your woman, but what have you given her in this lifetime? Trash like you should be dead! All these years, you know best yourself what you've done just to defeat her. Don't be bloody disgusting and pretend to show affection now. There's no one more despicable and hypocritical in this world than you, Qi Qiming!"

Qi Qiming's gloomy and cold handsome flashed with hatred as he looked at Qi Qiming beside him with disdain.

"Enough, Qi Lei! Don't think that because I empathize with how you feel, you can be disrespectful to me. Horrid as I may be, I'm still your father who gave you life! Do you think it's just me who caused all of this? You know well yourself what kind of person your mother is! She never cared for my dignity as she provoked me time and time again. You also know what her purpose was when she married into the Qi family. All these years, has she treated me like her husband?"

Qi Qiming's eyes were red with fury, and he lost control as he spoke through gritted teeth, "She wished I could be dead too, didn't she? If the person who laid buried today was me, I'd imagine the two of you popping champagne and celebrating!"

When he said that, Qi Lei's gaze instantly turned cold. His hands that hid underneath his sleeves quietly clenched into fists. Without a doubt, he had the urge to swing his fist out in the next instant!

"I've said what I should and I've done what I should. I know that the two of you hate me to the bones. Hmph, I don't care anymore! Whether you want to accept it is up to you." Qi Qiming left these words coldly and put the bouquet in his hand onto Wang Qin's tombstone before turning around to leave.

Now, only Qi Lei and Yang Sheng were left in front of the tombstone.

Qi Lei turned to look at Qi Qiming who had blended in with the rain. A sneer of disdain flashed across his face, making his smile look a little sorrowful.

"Go down first. I want to accompany her alone."

"Master Qi..." Yang Sheng said worriedly.

Qi Lei reached out to push him and then walked beyond the shelter of the umbrella. "Let me be alone for a while. Wait for me downstairs."

When Yang Sheng saw that, he could only nod in silence and then retreat.

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As the sound of Yang Sheng's footsteps moved away gradually, only Qi Lei remained in front of the tombstone alone.

With his tall figure standing in the hazy rain, the entire world seemed more bleak and melancholic. His dark figure was engulfed in the thick evening mist as he was desolate.

Qi Lei looked on quietly at Wang Qin's picture on the tombstone. He slowly bowed down and reached out to wipe the rain from the picture. As he wiped it, he suddenly stopped, and his bloodshot eyes could not help but begin to tear up.

He sniffled quite a few times, and his raspy voice choked on his sobs as he said softly, "I used to find you annoying, and think you were too snobbish, so I didn't want to say much to you. I just hoped you could calm down and be someone who's aloof from worldly affairs. That's not such a bad thing. Which woman is as silly as you? To be giving up her entire life? Is it worth it? We don't need those kinds of things. Just based on your son's abilities, I could've let you live without worries. Why did you go and fight for those things? You can't have it with you in life or in death now..."

As Qi Lei said this, he crouched down weakly and lifted a hand to cover his hot eyes. He sighed deeply. "Mother, how can you be so silly? Someone like Qi Qiming doesn't qualify you guarding him. I don't qualify either..."

Qi Lei did not even have the chance to regret it now. She would not be able to hear him even if he wanted to say more. In his core, he really regretted how cold he had been before.

If he had been willing to be nicer to her and had spoken more to her, cared more about her, at least, she would not have left so regretfully.

"Mother, I owe you too much in this lifetime. In the next lifetime, if I'm lucky enough to be your son, I'll treat you well..."

Qi Lei's dark eyes became hazy as he felt into a daze. The cold, bleak wind and rain continued to come at him, keeping him that slightest bit clear-headed.

It was not sure how long had passed when he suddenly felt like the rain before him was disconnected from the world. He sniffled and then turned to look.

Xi Xiaye's slender figure was standing right behind him as she propped up a large, black umbrella over his head. She put the bouquet in her arms down onto the tombstone before straightening up slightly.

“VP Wang was a loving mother. She must have really loved you. Qi Lei, you must remember her forever.” Xi Xiaye looked at Wang Qin’s familiar face. Her eyes colored with gentleness as she consoled him softly.

Qi Lei slowly got up and nodded quietly. “I know. It’s just that I never understood her, and always let her down. Now that I think about it, I really was a wretched son.”

“There are some things we can’t change. Since we are here now, the best we can do is to live a little better, and not let her down further,” Xi Xiaye answered calmly and turned slightly before looking up to Qi Lei. “As mothers, we all have simple wishes. She just wanted you to live better.”

“I let her down,” Qi Lei lamented in a raspy voice.

“Okay, no need to feel guilty anymore. To her, you doing well is better than anything. You still have much to do, and you have a long journey ahead, so you’ll have to pull yourself together, understand?” Xi Xiaye watched Qi Lei in silence as her eyes were filled with sincere concern. “I promised VP Wang that I’d take good care of you. I just don’t know if you’d give me and Mu Yuchen the chance to.”

When he heard this, a sad smile flashed across Qi Lei’s gloomy face. “You should first think about how to clear Mu Yuchen of his suspicion. I’m an adult and I can take care of myself. This is good too. I’m alone now with nothing to worry about. It’s like I’ve returned to my life alone studying abroad back then.”

“Do you believe that he didn’t do it either?” Xi Xiaye asked earnestly.

“He doesn’t have a motive. In fact, anyone with a brain wouldn’t make such a low-level mistake. This incident wasn’t about targeting someone. They just wanted to make life hard for the two of you, so you should worry about yourself. In fact, I know that for you, he...”

Qi Lei’s expression was calm, and his eyes were filled with clarity. He paused and then smiled. “I was standing not too far away from you before the lights dimmed. His first reaction was to look for you...”

When Xi Xiaye heard that, the emotions that had been suppressed deep down in her heart for a long time could not help but spill at the moment. She blinked the hot tears in her eyes away and silently

lowered her gaze before turning to look towards the sky as she said in a hoarse voice, "Thank you. I've been worried that you'd misunderstand him because of this incident."

"I'm not that dumb. Now, the most important thing is to find evidence and clear him as a suspect. Get him out first."

Xi Xiaye nodded silently. "It's at this moment that I find myself so powerless. I've gone to the police station quite a few times, yet I couldn't meet him, and I've got no way of getting any evidence to clear him of suspicion. Well, let's not talk about this now. Go home. It's getting dark, and it's quite cold here."

Qi Lei took one last look at the photograph on the tombstone, and finally, he nodded. Without another word, he turned to make his way down the stairs.

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A day passed just like that. Soon, it was evening inside Su Chen's office.

"Chief Su, this is the picture you wanted, and the various CCTV footage from the routes nearby the South River dock. The police have checked it quite a few times, but they didn't detect anything out of the ordinary. Oh, all the boats that were berthed at the dock have also been recorded. Take a look. Right, Master Mo's also here."

Secretary He passed a folder respectfully to Su Chen.

Su Chen stopped what he was doing, and reached out to take it. He flipped it open to look through in detail as he said, "Let him in!"

He had just said that when Zhou Zimo pushed the door open to enter and sat down casually on the sofa.

"How's it going? I heard that you have a new discovery. Chen's been inside for quite a few days now. This fellow can really just sit there while those of us outside exhaust ourselves. I wonder if he's doing this on purpose!"

Zhou Zimo touched his head. His eyes could not conceal a hint of fatigue as he looked at Su Chen sitting at his desk.

Su Chen looked quite calm as he browsed through the document and all the pictures that came with it meticulously. He spread them out on the table and examined them closely. They were all images of Gu Qiwu going to the Qingshan Cemetery, and the scene of Gu Qiwu and Qi Qiming meeting at the South River.

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Su Chen looked silently at the picture before him. After a while, he sighed and picked up one of the pictures, squinting those sharp eyes of his as his sunken face fixed his eyes onto it.

“Notice anything interesting?”

Zhou Zimo leaned in and looked at the picture in Su Chen’s hand too. He was instantly stunned, “Qi Qiming?”

Qi Qiming was a public figure who appeared in public often, and Zhou Zimo was quite familiar with him. Even though the picture in hand was not too clear, but Zhou Zimo could immediately recognize him, yet he could not tell who this man in black with sunglasses beside Qi Qiming was. He stared at it for quite a while before turning to look at Su Chen, puzzled. “Who’s this?”

Su Chen lifted a hand to massage the frown between his brows as he sighed, and then turned to look at the other pictures on the table. He picked one of it up and handed it to Zhou Zimo as he said softly, “You should be able to tell who this is from this picture, can’t you?”

Frowning, Zhou Zimo took it and studied it for quite a while. Suddenly, his eyes lit up. “Gu Qiwu... Are you saying that this man in black is Gu Qiwu? What does this mean?”

When Su Chen heard that, he moved the pictures in front of him aside. “See for yourself. These two days, I followed Ah Chen’s orders and secretly gathered these pictures and information. Indeed, as he expected, I told someone to track Qi Qiming who did go to the riverside to meet Gu Qiwu. After that, at the cemetery, I also saw Gu Qiwu going to pay respects to...”

“Are you saying that Gu Qiwu might have done this?”

Zhou Zimo squinted at Su Chen and flipped through the pictures in his hand. When he saw Gu Qiwu before Mu Zi and Mu Lingtian's tombstones, his expression turned stiff and his movements paused. He hesitated for a moment, then took a deep breath and blinked before tossing the pictures onto the table. He sighed out loudly. "No wonder he was so sad..."

Su Chen leaned back against the chair, his eyes dim. "This is inevitable. If Grandfather and Grandmother Mu find out, I wonder what storm would brew. What do you think we should do about this?"

Zhou Zimo rubbed the space between his brows and shook his head feeling at a loss. "To be honest, if it were me, I really wouldn't know what to do."

"Just leave it to him to handle. Get him out first. He said that Li Si will be delivering some evidence soon, but I don't if he's telling the truth or not. The police have found traces of damages to the electricity generator circuit on the ship. That means that this was planned. There are CCTVs on the ship, and I've cut off a section of the clip two minutes before the incident of Wang Qin together with Ah Chen's surroundings, but the footage isn't that clear. It was quite hard to inspect it, so I couldn't identify many people."

"Didn't the police inspect every person on the ship? We can compare them again with the information we've gotten through the inspection," said Zhou Zimo, squinting at that picture. He continued, "Or maybe we can get some clues from Qi Qiming."

"Ah Chen suspects that this might've been Gu Qiwu, but we can't find any evidence. People like him who do things watertight won't give it away so easily, but I think that no matter what, he wouldn't have killed Wang Qin. This doesn't benefit him, and it'd only bring him lots of trouble. How are things on Glory World's end?"

"How else could it be? The shares keep falling. Earlier, when I came over, I even heard that Zhang Lan's going to the government. It's probably for the South River project which is one of Glory World's biggest ones in recent years. If anything happens to it, the outcome won't be good," Zhou Zimo said helplessly.

Su Chen nodded. "I'm helpless on this too. You know that I don't understand business matters at all. Let's play by ear then. Alright, I'll go find out about the situation from Li Si and Lawyer Wang. It's getting late. Let's have dinner together! Then, we'll take a good look at these things again. Hopefully, we'll discover something new."

As Su Chen said this, he stood up and picked up the coat beside him to put on.

Zhou Zimo nodded as he helped to tidy the things on the table.

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The storm continued for quite a few days, and only subsided that morning.

Inside Qi Qiming's office, Qi Qiming and Gu Lingsha were discussing a proposal when the secretary suddenly entered and reported with a smug expression, "CEO Qi, I've just received news that Glory World's Vice President Zhang Lan was called over. Based on Glory World's current market situation, if it goes as expected, their South River Project No. 1 might need to suspend construction."

Qi Qiming and Gu Lingsha both paused and looked gleeful.

"Is that confirmed?" Gu Lingsha asked.

"It can't be false. I found out about it from people on the government's end," the secretary responded.

Gu Lingsha then grinned and said happily, "This is great news, Uncle Qi, I'm sure that means we've got one less competitor for South River Project No. 2. In fact, for this project, we could even replace them. My father's been wanting to expand in City Z. If he could use this chance to gain a foothold, this would be a great thing."

She had just finished when Qi Qiming's gaze darkened slightly. Then, he smiled calmly. "Hopefully."

"Is Qi Lei still not at work? It's been quite a few days since Aunty Wang's incident. How... how is he?" Gu Lingsha's eyes held a hint of concern as she looked at Qi Qiming. "This incident's been a huge blow to him, Uncle Qi. Qi Lei's a simple person. You should be more concerned about him. I'm sure he just said all that in the heat of the moment. If Aunty Wang knew he was like this, she would be really sad too."

When Qi Lei was mentioned, Qi Qiming's eyes suddenly darkened. Naturally, he did not forget the few afflicted encounters they had.

"I'd be lucky if he doesn't anger me to death. His temper is just like his mother's!"

"Alright, Uncle Qi. Find a time to visit him. He's been having it hard these past few days."

"You don't have to care about him. He'll just make things hard for you. You just work hard on the South River project. Use this chance to hit Mu Yuchen where it hurts!" Qi Qiming's eyes turned cold as he said coldly.

Gu Lingsha's eyes froze for a bit, then she asked, "Uncle Qi, this time, will Mu Yuchen... really get into trouble?"

Qi Qiming scoffed. "That will depend on what Mu Tanghuan and the rest will do!"

"Uncle Qi, do you think it was him who did it too?"

"What I think isn't important. As long as other people think it was him, Shasha, this is considered revenge for you, Weiwei, and Ah Feng!"

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Gu Lingsha nodded as a subtle smile appeared on her beautiful face, and she subconsciously held her necklace. "Alright, let's not talk about it."

Qi Qiming sat down. "I'll let you handle the South River project at the moment. Is your injury alright?"

"It's fine. It's just a little scratch, so you don't have to worry about me." Gu Lingsha gave Qi Qiming a grateful glance.

Qi Qiming then replied, "That's good, or else, I wouldn't know what to tell your parents. By the way, did your father contact you lately?"

Gu Lingsha hesitated for a moment before shaking her head. "It's difficult enough to see my father. He's invested all his time into his work. At other times, he would be with my mother. He has no time for me at all."

Qi Qiming then looked downwards with a smile. "That's true. Anyway, you can head out now. I have some documents to work on."

Gu Lingsha nodded with a smile on her face. "Don't overthink things, Uncle Qi. You have to take care as well. I'm sure Aunt Wang will forgive you. There's nothing wrong with treating yourself better." She then left the room with a gentle smile.

Qi Qiming leaned his back against the chair with his eyes closed as he heard the sound of the door closed. He just could not relax.

Xi Xiaye was exhausted ever since Wang Qin's funeral. Her body had just recovered not too long ago, and then she went on for several days without sleeping well, so she caught a cold after a night of freezing rain. Luckily, Sis Wang gave her some medicine, and Wang Hui made sure she took a break. Only then did she get better.

When she returned to the office on the third day, she received bad news from Zhang Lan. The company had decided to stop working on the South River project.

"Why stop?" Xi Xiaye looked at Vice President Zhang Lan with doubt. "Even if Glory World isn't doing very well right now, we don't have to stop it at the moment. We still have funds, don't we?"

"Director Xi, this is Master Mo's suggestion because that's our baseline. Master Mo also said it's Chairman Mu's idea," Zhang Lan explained.

That was impossible. Xi Xiaye knew very well that doing so was not that impactful, so why would Mu Yuchen do that? Did he not know the consequences of doing this?

Xi Xiaye did not question Mu Yuchen's decision, but she just did not understand it very well.

Assistant Xiao Mei came over before Xi Xiaye could sort things out. “Director Xi, Qi Kai’s Manager Gu is here! She said she has something to talk to you about!”

“Manager Gu? Gu Lingsha?”

Before Xi Xiaye could answer, Vice President Zhang Lan voiced out lamentably, “She must be here because of the South River project. She dropped by several days ago asking about the materials. Vice President Qi has already confirmed with us before that we’ll be using traditional materials, and Chairman Mu and Director Xi approved the sample materials as well, but now she said she wants to use the new model materials because it will provide better lighting. I rejected her proposal. This is the document right here. Take a look at it, Director Xi.”

Zhang Lan then took a document out from her folder.

“That’s right, Director Xi. You have no idea how arrogant she sounded when she came the other day. She was so confident when she tried to argue with Vice President Zhang. She looked like a witch from every angle. Ugh, how frustrating!”

Xiao Mei was really angry. When she was there the other day as well, she was annoyed at how Gu Lingsha carried herself. It was as if she was trying to show off the kind of life she was leading abroad. Although she tried to be humble, it was not difficult to sense that Gu Lingsha was trying to be sarcastic, and Vice President Zhang almost lost the argument to her.

Xi Xiaye flipped through it and then left it on the table as her eyes darkened. A cold light flashed in her eyes as she said, “I’ll go and meet her then.”

Xi Xiaye told Zhang Lan, “Vice President Zhang, I have my thoughts reserved. Don’t just stop it right away. I’ll think about it. Stopping it right now will leave a negative impact, and we can’t let Glory World’s reputation suffer anymore. I’ll come up with something.”

Zhang Lan was startled for a moment. Then, she gave Xi Xiaye an uneasy glance and nodded. “Alright then, I’ll let the other Vice Presidents know for now.”

“Thank you for your hard work. I’ll get Chairman Mu to reward everyone when he returns safely,” Xi Xiaye said.

Zhang Lan smiled kindly. “It’s alright, Director Xi. Chairman Mu said before that there’s no you and me, only us and only everyone. We’ll definitely make it through this if we stick together. We all believe in Chairman Mu and everyone else!”

Xi Xiaye nodded gratefully as Zhang Lan left the office. She turned towards the large window looking outside as she told Xiao Mei, “Send Gu Lingsha in!”

“Yes, Director Xi!” Xiao Mei replied briefly before leaving.

Gu Lingsha wore a white suit with her hair tied up. Her outfit was smart, and she appeared very confident. Xiao Mei had to admit that this woman was charming in her own way. She was really a strong, beautiful woman!

However, Xiao Mei did not like her, so she was not really pleasant to her.

“Director Xi has allowed you to go in now!”

Gu Lingsha still maintained a smile as she glanced at Xiao Mei. “I thought a big company like Glory World would have high standards for all employees. Ah, I guess I’m wrong.”

She then slowly ambled into Xi Xiaye’s office.

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Xiao Mei was stunned for a moment before realizing what the woman meant. In fury, she gritted her teeth!

Xi Xiaye overheard their conversation, and her face suddenly turned cold! She swore to herself that she would pay Gu Lingsha back for Xiao Mei’s sake!

As she was having thoughts to herself, she heard the sound of footsteps behind her, but she did not turn back. Instead, her eyes darkened.

“We meet again, Ms. Xi!” Gu Lingsha smiled, but her tone of voice was cold.

“Why are you here? Getting addicted to chatting with me?” Xi Xiaye did not want to see her face at all, so she did not turn back and merely replied to her coldly.

“I suppose what happened lately must’ve been troubling you a lot, Ms. Xi. I personally sympathize with you about what happened to Mu Yuchen. I didn’t expect him to accidentally injure CEO Wang...”

Xi Xiaye laughed coldly and gave her a harsh reply, “You don’t have to be all sarcastic right now. The police haven’t made any conclusions yet. You’re going overboard with your words. Your behavior today makes me doubt that you might be the actual mastermind behind this instead. Only the real perpetrator could be so confident in their words.”

Gu Lingsha’s expression froze. As she bit her lip and was about to say something, Xi Xiaye turned around with a calm expression. She was impressed that Xi Xiaye was able to hold her ground.

She noticed Vice President Zhang Lan’s darkened expression when she walked over just now. It must be due to the South River project. The government had given their orders, thus some interested partners pulled out, yet this woman could stay calm.

Xi Xiaye pushed the document she left on the table just now aside. “If you’re here because of this, I’m telling you now that we’re never going to agree to it. We’ve come to an agreement with Vice President Qi to stick to the original plan. Although you’re the main person in charge of this project right now, how can we just simply change what has been decided?”

“The elements of traditional materials are plain and boring. The lighting effects aren’t as visible as it would be with the new type of materials. Isn’t the South River project all about being ‘new’?” Gu Lingsha argued.

Xi Xiaye grinned. "New type of materials? Manager Gu, can you guarantee these new materials can highlight the theme? How durable are these new materials against the cold? How are its anti-corrosive properties? What's the highest impact force it can withstand? Have you not spoken to Vice President Qi and found out we've already made comparisons before?"

"Please don't try to act like a professional when you don't know anything. This won't earn you any credit. The new type of materials is just a slight variation during the process. I'll still go with Vice President Qi's proposal. If you're thinking about rising up by using him as a stepping stone, you'd better get rid of that thought. We've already said that we'll only deal with Vice President Qi. I can't trust you, Ms. Gu. If this is Qi Kai's decision as a whole, please send Vice President Qi to discuss it with us."

Xi Xiaye's words left Gu Lingsha's expression stiffened. She knew very well that Xi Xiaye was trying to embarrass her, so she put on a saccharine smile. "Ms. Xi, you don't really need to put on a front right now. We're not even sure if Glory World will continue the South River project."

"Why not?" Xi Xiaye asked her back.

"Do you think you're in a good spot at the moment?" Gu Lingsha's smile was becoming sarcastic, and she was not hiding her feelings at all.

"I heard things didn't go well when Vice President Zhang Lan went to deal with the government personnel. Not only is Glory World not doing well, but we're not even sure if Mu Yuchen can be safely released."

"So, are you here today to see if I'm as miserable as you imagined?" Xi Xiaye asked dangerously.

Gu Lingsha nodded. "Of course, that's part of why I'm here today aside from work. Even God is on my side. You'll never know who the winner is until the very end. Ms. Xi, don't you think it's Mu Yuchen's mistake for choosing you?"

Xi Xiaye finally understood. This woman was here for a declaration of war today!

She squinted as her gaze turned cold. Then, she stared at Gu Lingsha for a while, "Why didn't you come and say these when Mu Yuchen was around? I'm not sure where your confidence comes from, Ms. Gu.

Do you think you're so charming that every man has to like you? I heard from Mr. Mu that you were unhappy when he said you were unworthy of him. Have you been angry and hurt about that all these years?"

Gu Lingsha's eyes shifted slightly, but her expression remained calm. With a smile still on her face, she replied, "You don't have to bring that up. You might not understand the past conflicts between us."

Xi Xiaye could sense something gushing into her brain, so she frowned and spoke in a warning tone, "Ms. Gu, mind your words. Don't speak as if you were in an extramarital relationship with my husband! Conflicts? What could possibly happen between you two? Isn't it just about the accident? You don't have to try to weaken our relationship."

"You're wrong. What if it's not just about the accident?"

"Then, you can talk to Mu Yuchen yourself. I'm not interested at all. Besides, the South River project will surely be continued. Please tell Vice President Qi to manage his priorities. Glory World will only deal with Qi Lei since he knows each and every detail regarding the project. We need a professional to take charge, not a decorative vase who can't do anything."

Xi Xiaye's crisp voice was powerful as she threw the document in front of Gu Lingsha. "Send Vice President Qi over next time. I only speak to people who can properly hold a conversation!"

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When Xi Xiaye said that, Gu Lingsha was instantly stunned and did not immediately react. She widened her eyes in disbelief and almost snarled. "What did you say? Are you calling me a vase?"

Gu Lingsha's long, shapely brows furrowed into a knot as she subconsciously gripped the document before her.

"I didn't say that. It's not my fault if the shoe fits." A hint of impatient hostility flashed on Xi Xiaye's face, her tone as indifferent as ice.

"Xi Xiaye, you..." Gu Lingsha tightened her grip onto the document in her hand. Her beautiful face could not hide the fury in her heart, yet Xi Xiaye had already pressed the button on the phone as she instructed sourly, "Xiao Mei, come in and see our guest out!"

Then, she turned around without giving Gu Lingsha a second glance.

Xiao Mei rushed in quickly. Earlier, she could already feel that the atmosphere in the office turn odd when she came in. Gu Lingsha's beautiful face was livid and pale at the same time that her eyes coldly glared at their Director Xi. It seemed like the conversation did not go well, and this woman was quite infuriated by their Director Xi.

At this sight, Xiao Mei could not help but feel delighted. Then, she walked over before she smiled sweetly and said, "Manager Gu, this way!"

Gu Lingsha's gaze was cold. The document was scrunched up in her hand. After a while, she sneered and held back the anger that surged within her. Instead, she smiled back. "Xi Xiaye, you're quite a capable one. I'll remember what happened today. I'd like to see how you get through this one."

Xi Xiaye returned the smile coldly without a word while Gu Lingsha sucked in a few more breaths before turning around to leave unhappily.

She was pissed!

Initially, Qi Qiming wanted to use this change of events to allow her to build some credibility in the company. That was why he had handed the project to her while South River Project No. 2 was the main focus. Unexpectedly, this woman would not budge, and even shamelessly called her unprofessional, clearly making things difficult for her.

Gu Lingsha was filled with anger. Even if she was unwilling to do so, she could only leave.

When she heard the door close, Xi Xiaye sighed softly, and then could not help but massage the tired space between her brows.

It was a fidgety moment, yet this woman had to come at this time to step on where it hurt, so no one could blame her for using her as a punching bag. She thought about it for a while before turning to pick the phone up and quickly make a call. The phone only rang a few times when the other person picked it up.

“Hello. You’ve reached VP Qi’s office!” It was Yang Sheng’s familiar voice.

Xi Xiaye’s sharp eyes eased a little. “Assistant Yang, it’s me, Xi Xiaye. Did VP Qi go to work today? How’s the situation on your end with regards to the South River project? Haven’t we already decided on the selection of materials? Why would Gu Lingsha bring another document over?”

Xi Xiaye’s words stunned Yang Sheng, but after a while, he reacted. “Director Xi, Master Qi didn’t come to work today. I’ll ask him about it right away, alright?”

Xi Xiaye nodded. “Okay, please tell him to call me later.”

Then, she hung up.

She was thinking about the South River project. There was no way they could put the construction on hiatus. Once they stopped, it would have a negative effect. Forget about the rest, but just explaining to the government’s end would be trouble. Furthermore, this was a newly developed area, and the slightest whiff of bad news about it would affect public opinion. Xi Xiaye mulled and pondered over many factors before she decided she could only ask for help from her grandpa, Shen Yue.

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Shen Yue did not go to the office today, so Xi Xiaye found him at the Shen residence. Lan Zilang was there too.

He was not surprised by Xi Xiaye’s request at all. Instead, he thought it was normal.

Inside the study room, Shen Yue looked at Xi Xiaye who was worried with a frown before his desk. After some time, he set the calligraphy brush in his hand aside, his deep yet clearly aged voice saying, “I’ve been assigning Zilang to pay attention to Glory World’s situation these few days. How’s Ah Chen?”

“Father says he’s fine. The police are still gathering evidence, and Lawyer Wang’s been busy too. Don’t worry, Grandpa. He’ll be fine.”

When Mu Yuchen was mentioned, Xi Xiaye's heart sank a little. It had been ten days. Mu Tangchuan had been anxiously pressuring the police station while Li Si had been gone too. Yesterday, when Xi Xiaye asked about Mu Yuchen, Mu Tangchuan smiled in a relaxed manner and told her that he would be back really soon.

Shen Yue sighed and held his head of grey hair before turning around to say, "Sigh, it must be tough on you to do all of this alone. Zhou Zimo's been helping quite a bit too. It's a good thing Ah Chen has these buddies of his. Alright, let's not talk about that. Zilang, give her the items."

Lan Zilang, who had been waiting on the side, instantly smiled. He walked over and handed the document to Xi Xiaye with a smile. "Miss Xiaye, take a look. This is something that Elder CEO has prepared right from the start. We were just waiting for you to ask when you needed it."

Lan Zilang's statement stunned Xi Xiaye. She froze for a while before reaching out to take it. Then, she flipped open the document and took a closer look. When she had studied the contents, a light flashed in her twinkling eyes as she looked up at Lan Zilang. Upon seeing Lan Zilang nod with a smile, she felt a warmth surge inside her, and she turned to look at Shen Yue.

"Grandpa... aren't these... those plots of land that Grandpa was planning on developing? In fact, Uncle Lan even said that there's a huge opportunity for them to appreciate in price. Why..."

"It's not that easy to develop them. You won't see results within 10 or 20 years. In fact, I've shifted this land around quite a few times now, and I didn't make a loss. I've already signed the contract, so I'll be able to get the money back today. We'll talk about it when the matter with the South River project is settled. Okay, time's of the essence. I won't keep you from lunch. Xiao Ru can stay at the Shen residence with me this weekend while you handle the company matters first before anything."

Shen Yue's deep voice was filled with consolation. "Just treat this as the final training for you. In the future, you'll meet more troublesome things than this. This is how business is. Just treat it with a calm heart. Alright, go back now."

Xi Xiaye felt like crying. She nodded gently and said in a slightly raspy voice, "Thank you, Grandpa."

Shen Yue smiled lovingly and then waved his hand.

Xi Xiaye then turned to leave Shen Yue's study room. Just as she stepped out of the Shen residence, the phone in her pocket suddenly vibrated. She quickly took it out and saw that it was unexpectedly a video sent by Mu Yuchen. She paused, then quickly played the video. To her delight, that exceptionally handsome face greeted her sight.

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She saw that the man was calm as usual. His low and sensitive voice was filled with gentle comfort as he assured her, "Missus, don't worry. It'll be fine in a few more days. Wait for me to get back."

It was a very simple sentence, yet it had been more than ten days since she last saw him. Hearing his familiar voice once again, the emotions she had been suppressing involuntarily poured out, and she could not help but tear up a little.

She sniffled and lifted her hands to cover her face. After a while, she sighed and then blinked hard before keeping her phone and getting into her car...

With Shen Yue's enormous flow of funds, Zhang Lan quickly got through to the government. Their lament about the South River project being forced to stop work was resolved. Soon, Glory World's shares slowly showed signs of picking up again. As a result, Qi Qiming and Gu Lingsha could not quite react from Qi Kai's end.

Inside the spacious office, Gu Lingsha frowned as she watched the share market graph on the screen, and asked, puzzled, "Uncle Qi, what's happening?"

Qi Qiming was on another call at that moment with Yue Hai from the government. He seemed extremely troubled. Afterward, she only heard a thud as the phone in Qi Qiming's hand was tossed into a corner.

The loud sound startled Gu Lingsha who quickly turned to Qi Qiming. "Uncle Qi, did something happen?"

Qi Qiming's aged face was stormy as he shouted, "This bastard, Hua Heng! Is he thinking about raising the price? We already had a deal before, but now he suddenly wants to raise the price., I don't think that Fuhua's Shen Yue would use that much money to monopolize that land!"

Gu Lingsha immediately knew that it was probably the land near the South River which was a highly valuable land as the outback of South River Project No. 2. One of the main reasons the government had used a tender process to look for a developer was that they had no way of getting a deal for that land, so if they wanted to win the bid, they would have to get this piece of land!

Now upon hearing this, it looked like Hua Heng had raised the prices again!

The initial price was already very high. In fact, the price that Qi Kai offered was not that low either, so why was there suddenly a change right now?

“Fuhua Real Estate was thinking about how to collaborate with Glory World. Now that something’s happened to Glory World, I thought I could use the chance to take them down, and Project No. 2 would be a guarantee, yet Shen Yue still dares to offer a new price. Does he think that just Fuhua alone can take this gold mine on?”

Qi Qiming’s eyes darkened. From his clenched fists, you could see that he was extremely furious. He thought about it, then turned to the secretary who had kept quiet before he said, “Quickly go check what happened at Hua Heng, and find out what’s the situation on Fuhua’s end!”

The secretary quickly retreated in shock. “Yes, CEO Qi! I’ll go check right away!”

“Uncle Qi, don’t be anxious first. Let’s see how it goes. Don’t worsen your health over this. I think something’s up with Glory World.” As Gu Lingsha said this, she looked at the screen above and frowned as she pointed out the discrepancy.

Qi Qiming then took a deep breath and followed Gu Lingsha’s gaze to look up. His eyes turned steely, and after a while, he sighed. “It looks like your father’s analyzed it correctly. Glory World’s got a concrete foundation. This time, we’ve underestimated Mu Yuchen. He’s managed to survive so many days...”

“Uncle Qi, don’t forget that Zhou Zimo isn’t a pushover either. He’s been going to Glory World frequently in recent times.”

“That’s right. Zhang Lan, Liu Lingyu, and the others aren’t good-for-nothings either!” Qi Qiming’s expression darkened as he slammed the table. At this moment, the secretary who had gone out to find out about things had returned.

“CEO Qi, we received news that Shen Yue’s just sold off a few lands under his ownership, so...”

“It should be those few ones in the east of the city! It looks like he’s determined to get Project No. 2. I’ve really underestimated old Shen Yue’s capabilities,” Qi Qiming growled frustratedly. He pondered for a moment, then looked up. “Okay, let’s call for a meeting! Have it in half an hour. Inform everyone!”

“Yes! CEO Qi!”

Gu Lingsha nodded. “Uncle Qi, I’ll go back to my office to get some materials then.”

Qi Qiming waved his hand at her.

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Gu Lingsha then slowly left the office and walked towards her office.

However, she had just stepped out of the elevator when she unexpectedly saw a frail and lonely figure before her.

Gu Lingsha’s eyes lit up. She could not help but call out to the figure upfront, “Lei!”

When he heard the voice from behind him, Qi Lei stopped and turned around indifferently to look at Gu Lingsha who stood before him. His still eyes dimmed, and you could see that faint loneliness on his calm face as he stared at Gu Lingsha for quite a while. He said softly, “It’s you.”

His voice was cold like a little pebble that had been tossed into still water. It only caused a small ripple, and then there was nothing more.

Gu Lingsha's heart sank slightly. She was about to ask about him something when he had already averted his gaze as he turned around coolly before continuing to walk ahead.

"Qi Lei! Hold on!"

Almost as if she could no longer handle Qi Lei's indifference and distance, what more his lonely figure, Gu Lingsha felt her heart ache, and she could not help but chase after him. She reached out to pull his arm.

Qi Lei then stopped walking silently. He turned to look at her again before asking calmly, "Do you need something, Manager Gu?"

When she heard his distant voice, Gu Lingsha could feel a sour sadness swelling in her heart. With a frown, she said gloomily, "Qi Lei, do you have to be like this?"

"How am I being?" Qi Lei's glance was calm as he glanced at her hand that held onto his arm without batting an eyelid. His indifferent glance made Gu Lingsha's heart sink even deeper. After that, she could only let him go in a daze.

"Are you okay? I've been worried about you." Gu Lingsha changed her tone slightly, her beautiful eyes sparkling with genuine concern. Her voice was lowered too. She looked up like that and silently watched Qi Lei's handsome face that seemed deep in thought.

"Do I look like I'm not doing well right now? Thank you for your concern, Manager Gu! Is there anything else?"

Qi Lei's tone was distant and cold as he calmly looked at Gu Lingsha.

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"Qi Lei, I'm sorry. I didn't think that would happen to Auntie Wang either," Gu Lingsha spoke, the hint of sorrow unable to be concealed in her voice.

However, before Gu Lingsha could finish, Qi Lei had already spoken up to cut her short, “My mother’s already gone. Can you all stop bringing this up every time? I already said I’m fine. I’m fine! I’m doing great! If I wasn’t fine, would I have come back to work?”

When Qi Lei said this, his silent eyes gleamed with gloom.

“I’m sorry, Qi Lei. Don’t be angry! I was just... I was just concerned about you! Since you’re fine, that’s great! You look like you’ve become much thinner. I hope that you’ll take good care of yourself,” said Gu Lingsha, helplessly lowering her voice as she turned pale.

Qi Lei did not take another look at her. He turned around and walked away, leaving only an apathetic shadow behind with Gu Lingsha.

Gu Lingsha just stood where she was in a daze. She could not quite react to Qi Lei’s sudden change in attitude, and she found his indifference hard to believe. She thought about it for a long while, and then sadly lowered her gaze.

Qi Lei returned to his office casually. Yang Sheng was already in the office arranging the documents. When he saw Qi Lei, his worries finally subsided a little. He quickly went up to greet him, “Master Qi, I was worried that you’d be late!”

Qi Lei took his coat off and tossed it onto the table as he leisurely sat in his chair. He turned around and looked outside the window behind him as he said calmly, “Am I the kind of superior who’s always late to you?”

His direct words stunned Yang Sheng who could not help but think to himself, Master Qi, you are late every day! You were only two minutes earlier today.

“What’s this?” Qi Lei quickly noticed the pot of ball cacti on the low stool by the window. They were green and round, seeming quite refreshing.

Yang Sheng followed Qi Lei’s gaze. When he saw those ball cacti, a smile could not help but ripple across his face. “Oh, those! I got them from Director Xi. When I was at Glory World to deliver some things the day before, I saw that there were quite a few pots behind Director Xi on her window sill. She personally

planted them herself. I suddenly remembered that you don't have these little things in your office, Master Qi, so I casually mentioned that. Afterward, Director Xi gave you this pot. She even picked the nicest looking ones, saying that it was a gift for you. She hopes that you could be like these little guys."

As Qi Lei listened, the gloominess on his handsome face faded a bit, and he could not help but smile. He thought about it, then bent down to pick up the cacti to examine. Then, he sighed softly and a poignant smile spread across his lips. "Ball cacti... Does she really think that this thing can be a metaphor for me? Do I look like the kind of person with thorns all over me?"

When he heard Qi Lei mutter, Yang Sheng seriously examined him, and then shook his head before answering honestly, "You don't look like it, not at all!"

Upon hearing that, Qi Lei chuckled. A hint of gratitude flashed in his eyes as he looked carefully at the pot of cacti for a long while before putting it back. "I understand what she means... Alright, give her a call and thank her for me. Please also call Deputy Chief Zhang and ask him how Mu Yuchen's thing is going. See if we can do anything."

Yang Sheng nodded quietly. "Okay, I'll go right away. Oh, right, Master Qi, previously, Manager Gu brought a document over to Glory World directly. It should be about using new materials. I heard that Director Xi furiously reprimanded her, saying that if there was any issue, you should personally go to Glory World for a discussion. Also, at 9 a.m. CEO Qi has called for a meeting with everyone. It's about South River Project No. 2. In the afternoon, CEO Gu from Gu Feng has a lunch appointment with you, and at 3 p.m. you'll need to inspect the South River. At night, Miss Sun has asked you out for dinner..."

"Got it. Reject the dinner. I want to go back to the Qi residence tonight to pack my mother's things," Qi Lei said calmly.

Yang Sheng fell silent, then answered, "Okay, Master Qi!"

Then, he left.

As the sound of the door closing carefully sounded, Qi Lei suddenly fell limp. He lifted a hand to hold his forehead and relaxed before gently touching that cactus with thorns all over it. He felt a faint prick, then was clear-headed again.

The warm sun was hanging high up in the sky outside while the morning winds were calm. The breeze brought a faint scent of grass, complementing the warm morning sun. It made one feel quite refreshed, and there seemed to be no more of the gloominess from the past few days.

Xi Xiaye had just sat down in her office when Xiao Mei informed her happily, "Director Xi, our shares are getting back on track. Even though they haven't returned to the way they were before, there are signs of it going back up. Assistant Li has handled things on the media's end, so there's no need to worry."

Xi Xiaye looked at the data on her laptop screen as ease flashed in her twinkling eyes. She nodded gladly. "Mmm, this is the result of everyone's hard work. Everyone's been working hard in recent times. When Chairman Mu gets back, I'll definitely get him to reward everyone well. Tonight, tell everyone to relax at Imperial Sky. Put the expenses under my name."

"Really? Then, I'll have to thank you on behalf of everyone first! Director, you've been quite worn out recently too. You should rest well!"

Xiao Mei smiled as she arranged the documents on hand before delivering it to Xi Xiaye's desk.

Xi Xiaye nodded gladly.

"Right, Director Xi, earlier, Vice President Qi's assistant from Qi Kai, Assistant Yang Sheng, called. He said that VP Qi wanted to thank you. He really likes that cactus, and he wants to treat you and Master Mu to a meal soon."

When she heard this, Xi Xiaye raised her brows and asked, "VP Qi's back to work?"

Xiao Mei nodded. "Yeah, he went back to work this morning. Assistant Yang said that VP Qi's alright now, and he told you not to worry. They're really thankful for you, Director Xi."

Thankful?

But she had not done anything.

However, since Qi Lei could walk out from his valley of sorrow, this was a positive thing.

Xi Xiaye fell silent for a while. She blinked, then responded softly, "Okay, I got it. You can leave first."

Xiao Mei bowed respectfully, before retreating quietly.

Xi Xiaye fell silent for a while, then subconsciously turned to look at the remaining pots of cacti behind her. A faint warmth gathered in her eyes as she got up and walked over to draw open the curtains shielding her from the sun. Rays of warm sunshine poured in, the light instantly filling the room as if the chilliness from before was all gone...

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The storm went on for over ten days, yet Mu Yuchen felt like they were the most relaxing ten days he had ever had. He did not see them as unfortunate. Instead, he used the days to sort out his jumbled thoughts and feelings, feeling much more at ease because of that.

When the police called him to the interrogation room, he was relieved. The first thought that crossed his mind was Xi Xiaye's bright and beautiful face. It had only been over ten days since they last met, yet it felt like a century had passed. He truly missed her a lot.

In the interrogation room, Lawyer Wang sat aside, and before the table was Captain Wang and two other police officers. Meanwhile, Li Si and Su Chen were waiting outside.

When they saw Mu Yuchen walk towards them along the corridor, Li Si could not help but rush up to him as he shouted emotionally, "Master!"

"Ah Chen!" Su Chen called out softly too. He wanted to go up to his friend but was stopped by the two police officers that stood guarded by the door.

Mu Yuchen's expression was calm. He nodded gently at the two of them, a faint smile rippling across his handsome face before he walked in.

Mu Yuchen had just sat down when Captain Wang smiled and said as he opened a folder, "It looks like you've gotten quite used to staying with us now, Master Mu."

Mu Yuchen nodded calmly as he answered humbly, "Indeed, it's a good place to cultivate one's character and mental strength."

Captain Wang chuckled with his gaze lowered. The higher-ups had explained things to him, so he dared not be disrespectful towards Mu Yuchen either. If not for Mu Yuchen's lawyer bringing in new evidence today, Mu Yuchen would have to be continued being detained. Wang Qin and Gu Lingsha were no ordinary people either. With both sides pressuring them, it was hard for him to be stuck in the middle. He would much rather Mu Yuchen quickly hand in new evidence and then leave. That way, he would not need to be troubled with this every day and lose sleep!

They repeated the inspections over and over again near the dock and with the footages on the ship. Captain Wang kept looking through them. In fact, he looked at them so much that his eyes could bleed. Alas, even though he found it suspicious, he did not discover anything.

So, today when Lawyer Wang came over, he was relieved.

"Lawyer Wang, you said that you have new evidence to prove that Master Mu wasn't the one injuring the victims. What evidence is it?" Captain Wang asked frankly, not delaying any further.

Lawyer Wang quickly took a document from his briefcase and handed it to Captain Wang. "I'm sure this document has been handed to Captain Wang before by the forensics department. The results from the forensics team have proven that the tissue underneath Madam Wang Qin's nails doesn't match our Master Mu's DNA. The fingerprints on the knife were also messy, so you can't prove that only our Master Mu has handled that knife. Furthermore, you can't prove that it was Master Mu who accidentally injured the victims with the knife. Also, we found these things in a garbage heap near the dock."

As Lawyer Wang said that, he picked the bag beside him up and put it before Captain Wang. "This is the uniform of the waiters that night. There are some red wine stains on it. Of course, there are some blood stains too. Even though the clothes have been burnt, thankfully the blood traces on it can still be detected. I brought it to the lab for a test which can prove that the bloodstains on this are Madam Wang Qin's. It's also the same as the DNA from Madam Wang Qin's fingernails. It doesn't belong to our Master Mu."

Captain Wang's eyes darkened while a solemn expression flashed across his face. The police did not even find such important things. How did they get all of that?

He took the bag a little doubtfully as he pulled a pair of gloves on. He inspected it closely and flipped through the examination report before nodding at the officer beside him. That officer swiftly picked up his phone to call the lab. Shortly after that, he kept his phone away and leaned in towards Captain Wang to whisper something. The captain nodded tersely.

"Master Mu, the fact that you could even get this report from the lab shows that your people are really going all out. Lawyer Wang's quite capable." When Captain Wang said this, they were not sure what he meant.

"Captain Wang, you're over-praising me now," Lawyer Wang said humbly.

Captain Wang muttered to himself for a moment, and then said, "However, this shouldn't be enough to clear Master Mu of suspicion. I'm sorry. You need to have stronger evidence." His steadfast face contained a hint of indescribable sternness as he looked up to Mu Yuchen.

"Captain Wang, you don't have evidence to prove that our Master Mu did it either, do you? Just based on the fact that Master Mu held a fruit knife, can you prove that he did it? Did you see him personally hurt someone with the knife? How can you be sure that someone else didn't frame him in the mid of the chaos then? You can't just convict and lock him up based on this alone. The police shouldn't treat this like child's play!" Lawyer Wang demanded when he noticed Captain Wang's tensed expression.

"I think you wouldn't have just brought these things to prove your innocence, would you, Master Mu?" Captain Wang looked at Lawyer Wang, then turned to look at Mu Yuchen who had remained silent.

Then, Mu Yuchen smiled and straightened up. "Captain Wang, you seem quite calm, but this incident really has nothing to do with me. Instead of spending time on me, how about you look through these things? My people have already saved you half the effort." His deep voice came through as he looked pointedly at the things on the table.

"As the police, we will definitely look through what should. Thank you for your cooperation."

Mu Yuchen nodded gladly. He turned to look at Lawyer Wang who coincidentally met his unfathomable gaze. Upon seeing him nod gently, Lawyer Wang took a document that had many pictures attached out of his briefcase.

Mu Yuchen casually took two of the pictures to study casually. Then, a perfect curve flashed in the corner of his lips before his long fingers tossed the pictures to Captain Wang. "If the previous evidence isn't enough as proof, these should be sufficient."

Then, Captain Wang picked the pictures before him up while Lawyer Wang handed him the complete document too. "Captain Wang, this was the instant before the lights dimmed. Our people caught that in that split second. There's even the timestamp of when the picture was taken. It coincidentally captured the moment the murderer did it. Even though you can't see the person's face clearly, at that moment, our Master Mu and Missus were right there!"

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Captain Wang stared at the pictures for a long time before his strained expression softened. He looked through the other photos and asked, "Who's this person in the photo? How did you get these photos? Why are you only showing these to us now?"

Lawyer Wang glanced at Mu Yuchen whose expression was as calm as ever. "Finding out who that person is will require you to investigate more. The security camera footage on the ship is still in your hands. I'm sure it won't be difficult to find out. As for why we have this, it's all thanks to Master Mu's fore-planning."

"Did you know that someone was going to do something against you?" Captain Wang squinted and looked at Mu Yuchen.

Mu Yuchen casually adjusted his sleeves. "You've misunderstood, Captain Wang. I have no idea this would happen. I just thought I needed better security, so I arranged my guards all around me. I'm glad that they captured this for me."

Captain Wang took a deep breath and then said, "You're a really cautious person, Master Mu. If you have this, why stay here and torture yourself?"

“Torture? I don’t think so. It takes time to get these as well. Thank you for putting on an act with me this whole time. I’ll be sure to pay you back some time later. Captain Wang, you and your colleagues are welcome to visit the Imperial Sky facilities. I’ll be sure to entertain you. So, can I leave now?”

Mu Yuchen already stood up.

Captain Wang’s expression turned pale as he nodded vigorously. “You’re free to go, Master Mu!”

Mu Yuchen nodded at him elegantly before leaving the room while Lawyer Wang packed his things up and gave Captain Wang a firm handshake before catching up with his client.

“Master!”

“Ah Chen!”

Su Chen and Li Si’s expressions softened when they saw Mu Yuchen come out. They quickly went towards him.

Mu Yuchen did not stop at all as he spoke, “Let’s talk outside.”

The car was parked right outside the police station. Mu Yuchen got in as soon as he stepped out of the premises. Su Chen sat beside him while Li Si sat in the front passenger seat.

“I expected them to release you. You really held your ground in there for over ten days. It took me a long time to convince Uncle Mu not to act. If he had given his orders and had his people do something, our plan would’ve been ruined,” Su Chen complained as he put his arm over Mu Yuchen’s shoulder.

Mu Yuchen smiled. “If I didn’t do this, we wouldn’t have been able to break through the current situation. Did Ah Mo bring back any news?”

“Master, as you expected, Gu Qiwu and Qi Qiming met by the river. Gi Quwu also went to Qingshan Cemetery before returning to City B. Regarding Glory World, Missus didn’t stop moving forward with the

South River project. Gu Lingsha met her several days ago. She probably provoked Missus and caused her to seek help from Elder CEO Shen.

“Elder CEO Shen sold several plots of land and invested all the money into Glory World, so our share prices have stabilized at the moment. As for South River Project No. 2, Hua Heng raised his prices even higher and then made a quick deal with Qi Kai. It was a huge deal and took a lot out of Qi Kai. I wonder what the Gu Hui Corporation would think if they found out about this.”

Li Si guffawed before he continued moments later, “Ah Mo sent an email over. He found Qi Feng when he followed your instructions.”

“Hmm?” Mu Yuchen sounded interested. He traded glances with Su Chen beside him as they both looked at Li Si together, signaling him to continue.

“Take a look at this.” Li Si handed the tablet over. The screen showed an opened email with some photos attached.

Mu Yuchen grabbed it as Su Chen looked over while Li Si continued with his explanation, “Master, this is Qi Feng. His face was injured during the accident, so he underwent plastic surgery. He looks nothing like he used to. That is the hospital that he went to. His vocal cords were injured as well, and his voice sounds very different from before. Lately, he went for recovery surgery.”

“After plastic surgery, even his voice has become different?” Su Chen mumbled, “No wonder we couldn’t find him all these years!”

Su Chen let out a bitter laugh. He glanced at Qi Feng’s strange face before asking Li Si, “Why isn’t there an address? Didn’t you find him?”

“We just got this information from the hospital, but we haven’t found out his address at the moment. He didn’t register a detailed address at the hospital, but it’s confirmed that he doesn’t stay in Sydney. He stays in a rural area a certain distance away from Sydney. They stay at this hotel every time he goes for surgery,” Li Si explained.

Su Chen scrolled down and saw Qi Feng sitting in a wheelchair. Then, he looked at Li Si with his eyes widened. "That's a smart move. Australia is pretty big and it's hard to locate him. Hmm? What happened to his legs?"

Li Si coughed lightly as he covered his mouth to hide a laugh. "His legs were crippled since the accident six years ago. Even though he tried a lot of treatments, his legs still can't feel anything. In a nutshell, his lower-half body is paralyzed."

"Paralyzed?"

Su Chen stared at the photo in surprise for a while before laughing. "That must be really sad for him. I'm sure it's hard for a person like him to accept this truth, huh?"

"Master Su, I also heard from Ah Mo that he tried to commit suicide when he woke up, but a certain thought prevented him from doing so."