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Ed blushed out of embarrassment. "Matt, I-I really don't have so much money."

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Matthew nodded and glanced at Brandon. "Did you hear that? This is known as true love! He loves your daughter, so to him, your daughter is priceless. However, you only think of your daughter as a bargaining chip for your promotion, so you gave your daughter a price. This is the difference between the both of you!"

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Matthew replied, "After I give you one million, you shall never bother them ever again. From then on, your daughter will have nothing to do with you."

Brandon looked at Eddie and scoffed. "Deal! They will have nothing to do with my family anymore! Not only that, we will also not attend her wedding! I'll just forget that I ever had Wendy as a daughter!"

The Atkinson brothers and Laura all nodded. "We will not attend such a tasteless wedding. It's such a disgrace."

In their eyes, Eddie was just a cripple from a poor family. If they got involved with him, he might borrow money from their family. Of course, they didn't want to lend him even a single cent.

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"You're trash! What a waste of time!"

"Forget about it, let's save the chatter with him."

"We should call the police and have them apprehend him!" Andrew yelled loudly.

Brandon gritted his teeth and said, "Brat, looks like you really have a death wish. How dare you come to my house and act so shamelessly?"

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"That's right." Laura laughed loudly.

"When the time comes, we may even be praised for being righteous and brave too!"

Matthew ignored them and turned toward Eddie. "Let me use your phone."

Eddie searched his pockets but couldn't find his phone too, causing him to look at Matthew helplessly. "I seem to have lost my phone too."

Matthew was dispirited. The situation just now was very chaotic and Eddie probably lost his phone during the scuffle.

Laura burst into laughter instantly. "Two grown men and not one of you has a phone to make a call. Don't you guys feel ashamed of yourself? You're so poor, and you still wish to marry my sister?"

With a sneer, Brandon took out his phone and was about to make a call, but another call came in first. When he saw the phone number, Brandon was stunned. "It's Director Zook," he quickly said. "Keep your voices down." With that said, Brandon cleared his throat and answered the call carefully with a flattering smile. "Hello, Director Zook. Do you have any orders?"

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"Oh, I'm at home. I had to deal with something at home today, so I took a leave. Did something happen in the factory? I'll go back right away!" Brandon replied, feeling flattered.

Director Zook laughed. "It's fine. I'm about to reach your house, and I have an honored guest with me. You should tidy up quickly and prepare some tea. Make sure you don't mistreat our distinguished guest!"

Brandon was even more surprised. "Director Zook, who are you bringing along? Do I know that person?"

"Don't be silly, of course you know him!" Director Zook laughed. "He came to our factory to look for you, and even asked me to bring him to your house. He was very polite when he spoke too."

Brandon was confused. "Really? What is his name? Is he a real big shot?"

The factory manager chuckled. "I won't tell you his name now. It's a surprise, but let's put it this way—he is a real big shot! Whether our factory can turn around or not depends on him. Brandon, you really hid this deep. Why didn't you tell me earlier you knew such a big shot? If I knew you had such a connection, I wouldn't have approached those companies and cooperated with them! After this matter is settled, you will be the second-in-command in the factory!"

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Brandon couldn't hide his smugness. "Oh, this is difficult to say. You guys know me, I'm a good and loyal friend. While I was in school and serving in the military, I had a lot of friends. A lot of those classmates and comrades of mine are now big shots. I'm just keeping a low profile and did not want to contact them, but it seems these old friends of mine couldn't forget about me! Alright, enough talking. All of you tidy up quickly. Clean up the house and take out my most precious tea!" Brandon commanded his children excitedly. Both of his sons and Laura started to get busy.

This was related to their future prospects, so each of them were giving their all.

"You two, why aren't you leaving yet?" Laura said arrogantly to Matthew. "Didn't you hear that we have guests coming? Do you still want to continue causing a scene in front of our guests? Don't say I didn't remind you. Those people are big shots that you can't afford to mess with. If you cause a scene in front of these big shots, it won't be as simple as getting an arm or a leg broken. If you guys cause too much trouble, you might even get killed here!"

Andrew walked toward his mother and said with a dark face, "Mom, you bring Wendy back to her room first. We can talk after the guests leave."

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Andrew wolked toword his mother ond soid with o dork foce, "Mom, you bring Wendy bock to her room first. We con tolk ofter the guests leove."

Brandon couldn't hide his smugness. "Oh, this is difficult to say. You guys know me, I'm a good and loyal friend. While I was in school and serving in the military, I had a lot of friends. A lot of those classmates and comrades of mine are now big shots. I'm just keeping a low profile and did not want to contact them, but it seems these old friends of mine couldn't forget about me! Alright, enough talking. All of you tidy up quickly. Clean up the house and take out my most precious tea!" Brandon commanded his children excitedly. Both of his sons and Laura started to get busy.

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Andraw walkad toward his mothar and said with a dark faca, "Mom, you bring Wandy back to har room first. Wa can talk aftar tha guasts laava."

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"Wendy, don't do anything silly! I'll definitely marry you!"

Wendy nodded her head vigorously.

Matthew couldn't get hold of Julian, so he couldn't do anything before he found a phone.

After the two of them left, Brandon was in even higher spirits. "Those two scoundrels have finally left. Someone, quickly boil some water and prepare the tea. Also, get me my suit. I need to change my clothes quickly."

The Atkinsons all busied themselves tidying up the house.

Just when they finished cleaning up, they heard a cry from outside.

They quickly ran to the window to have a look and saw a beautiful luxurious car parked in the courtyard.

There was a group of people surrounding the car, pointing at it.

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"Could it be owned by someone from our fectory?" Andrew couldn't help but esk.

Brendon shook his heed. "Are you kidding? All of the residents here ere old employees. Even Director Zook's old Mercedes only cost 600,000. Who could efford e cer thet costs 2 million?"

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Brandon's heart gave a wild thump. If that was the case, he would really make his mark this time.

#### Chapter 534

Brandon hurriedly looked outside and saw a few people getting out of the car.

Among them, a bald and obese man, was Director Zook.

Director Zook was following a man with a flattering smile on his face. Apparently, this man was the owner of the car.

If Matthew was there, he would have recognised him right away, because that man was Julian.

After Julian dealt with his work at the company, he immediately got ready to go and help Eddie at his house.

When he was on his way, he called Matthew and learned that they were already helping out at Wendy's house.

So, he immediately turned around and came here and didn't make a stop at Eddie's house.

However, he didn't know where Brandon's house was.

When he was nearby, he called both Matthew and Eddie but they didn't answer his calls. At that time, both of them had no phones.

In the end, he had no choice but to head to the factory and find a way to get someone from the factory to bring him over to Brandon's place.

He had vaguely heard Eddie talk about Brandon, so when he arrived at the factory, he directly said he was looking for Brandon.

Because Brandon was going to be Eddie's father-in-law and was considered to be his elder, so when Julian mentioned Brandon, he was respectful.

As a result, Director Zook thought Julian was Brandon's junior.

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Brandon was taken aback because he didn't know Julian.

Julian appeared to be around twenty to thirty years old, so he couldn't be an old friend of his.

Laura was confused. "Dad, do you know him?"

Brandon shook his head blankly. "I have never seen him before."

"What's going on?" Laura asked. "Why would he come to our house?"

The family looked at each other, all of them confused.

"Dad, could he be the son of an old friend of yours?" Andrew suddenly asked.

Brandon froze for a while then suddenly cheered up. "You know, that might just be possible. He looks around the same age as all of you. Maybe he really is the son of one of my old friends coming over for a visit. Quickly, tidy up and bring our guest upstairs!"

After floundering in the house for a bit, Brandon and his family waited respectfully at the door.

Not long after, Director Zook and Julian approached them.

Julian was still making calls as he walked. He was trying to contact Matthew and Eddie.

Just when they arrived, Director Zook immediately announced, "President Davis, we're here. This is Brandon Atkinson, the man you are looking for."

Brandon greeted him with a big grin on his face. "Greetings, President Davis. Your presence really makes this humble house of mine shine!"

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"Oh, it's elreedy greet thet you could come, end there's reelly nothing much to do," Brendon excleimed. "Pleese, come end teke e seet inside."

As Brendon welcomed Julien into his house, he ignored Director Zook who wes et the beck.

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It seemed like Julian really was the son of an old friend of his. Otherwise, why would he be so reverent? He even asked if there was anything he could help with! This old friend really cared about him a lot!

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Julian frowned a little, but he didn't bother to say anything.

After chatting a bit, Brandon asked while chuckling, "President Davis, how is your father doing? Speaking of him, we haven't seen each other in years! Is he doing fine?"

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"Mr. Atkinson, you know my dad?" Julian asked carefully.

Brandon was caught off guard. What did he mean?

If I don't know your dad, why are you looking for me? Could he be the son of a female friend of his? God, that would be awkward.

After hesitating for a moment, Brandon said to salvage the situation, "Oh, then how is your mother doing?"

Julian was even more puzzled. You know both of my parents?

"Mr. Atkinson, so you know my mom too?" Julian asked curiously.

The scene became completely awkward.

Brandon was dumbfounded. I don't know your father, and I don't know your mother either, so who should I know? Your grandpa?

After another moment of silence, Brandon couldn't stand it anymore. "President Davis, th-then why did you come to my house?" he asked.

"Oh, pardon me, I forgot to tell you. I'm Eddie's friend. Eddie's wedding is tomorrow, and I thought that you must be busy, so I came to help," Julian explained quickly. "Oh, that's right. Mr. Atkinson, shouldn't Matthew and Eddie already be here? Why don't I see them?"

After Julian finished speaking, everyone in the house went silent. Brandon and the others were totally dumbfounded.

The room plunged into silence once again and after some time, Laura couldn't hold back anymore. "Are you really Eddie's friend?"

Julian nodded immediately. "Of course. Well, we're not exactly friends. You can say we're more like brothers. While we were still studying in school, the three of us always stuck together. I'm an only child, so I see them as my brothers!"

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Who would expect Eddie to know such a big shot?

Brandon took a deep breath and asked carefully, "President Davis, do you mind if I ask which industry you work in?"

Director Zook hurriedly laughed and said, "Brandon, you didn't know?"

"President Julian Davis is the president of Cunningham Group Wellness Herbary. Currently, seventy percent of the herbary business in Eastcliff has to go through his company. You could say that President Davis is the king of herbs in Eastcliff!"

When he heard Julian's name, Brandon was dumbfounded.

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### Chapter 536

Seeing Brandon and the others keeping quiet, Julian couldn't help but find the situation strange. "Mr. Atkinson, did something happen? Haven't they arrived yet?"

Brandon was feeling extremely awkward and he didn't know how to explain.

At that moment, a voice suddenly came from the door. "We arrived a long time ago."

Julian turned around and was overjoyed when he saw Matthew and Eddie standing at the door. He quickly rushed over and said, "Oh, I finally found both of you. What happened to you two? My calls weren't getting through, and I have been circling around here a few times. So how is it? Did everything go well?" Julian laughed.

"It went extremely well!" Matthew sneered. "They promised to completely cut ties with their daughter for one million dollar as her betrothal gift!"

When he heard this, Julian frowned instantly. "What do you mean?"

Director Zook looked at Brandon quickly. His instincts were telling him sh\*t was about to hit the fan.

Brandon's face turned red from shock and anger.

Matthew then told Julian what had happened earlier.

After hearing what he said, Julian was furious.

He turned to look at Brandon and asked angrily, "Did you really say all this?"

Brandon smiled awkwardly. "Ah, all of this is just a misunderstanding. Um, let's... let's take a seat first and talk about it. Laura, go make some tea."

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By then, if Julian decided to target them, they would be finished. They would probably even lose their jobs.

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"Ah, I-I was just kidding. Eddie, hurry up and ask your friend to come and sit. Oh my, I'm really sorry for showing such poor hospitality." Brandon put up a smile as he said this.

Eddie lowered his head, not saying anything.

Julian waved his hand directly. "Don't bother, the money will be here soon. We'll come and pick up Wendy tomorrow."

Brandon was embarrassed and said quickly, "Since you're already here, you're our guest. Come, have a seat. Let's discuss the details of the wedding."

They ignored him, and both Matthew and Julian didn't go inside and take a seat.

Laura couldn't stand it anymore and said, "Hey, why are you being so arrogant? So what if you drive a Porsche? Who do you think you are to come to my house and act so arrogantly? What's so great about a Porsche? My husband also has a Porsche, but why don't I see him behaving so pompously?"

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# Chapter 537

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However, since things had developed to this point, he knew that he was finished.

Now that he had offended Julian, the factory was sure to fire him.

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He was now sure that Eddie would marry his daughter by hook or by crook, so he planned to make a fortune using his daughter.

With this ten million, even if he couldn't be the assistant factory manager or was fired, so what?

Director Zook was trembling with anger, but there was nothing he could do.

If Brandon had made up his mind not to work in the factory, there was nothing he could do to him.

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"You shut up!" Brandon yelled at her angrily. "You're just a woman, so what do you know?"

Tears flowed down Wendy's face as she was really disappointed in her father.

Matthew slowly nodded then pointed at Brandon. "I have made up my mind. I've decided that I won't give you even a single penny."

Brandon became furious. "Then you can forget about my daughter marrying him! Tomorrow, I will have her marry that fool!"

"Your daughter is still going to marry my brother!" Matthew sneered.

Brandon flew into a rage. "So, you want to take her away?" he seethed. "Come on then! I'm telling you, even if I have to sacrifice this old life of mine today, you can forget about taking her!"

Matthew didn't speak but waved his hand at Julian.

Julian got the message, thereafter he walked outside to make a call.

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"What the hell are you guys doing? Did you call some local thugs to frighten me? You should know that I'm not afraid of you!" Brandon said angrily.

Brandon and Julian both wore a cold smile on their faces but didn't speak.

Wendy's mother wept. "Brandon, can't you think about your daughter? With such a disturbance today, Wendy won't be able to marry in the future! This is related to your daughter's happiness, so how can you be so selfish?"

Brandon was annoyed. "Shut your trap! If you say another word, you can get out of here!"

Wendy's mother wiped away her tears and dared not to speak again. She was always at a disadvantage at home.

After about half an hour, when she saw that nothing had happened, Laura couldn't help but sneer.

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## Chapter 538

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Matthew just smiled coldly and didn't say anything.

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After he entered the house, the man greeted Matthew and Julian respectfully.

"Mr. Larson, President Davis, I have the information you wanted. Would the two of you like to take a look?" the man asked.

Matthew shook his head. "No, just show it to him."

The man nodded and his gaze swept across the crowd. "Which one of you is Mr. Brandon Atkinson?"

Everyone in the Atkinson Family was surprised, and Brandon frowned. "That would be me. What do you want?"

The man glanced at him and then nodded. "Allow me to introduce myself. I am from the Carlson Law Firm, and we found that you had taken kickbacks on three equipment purchases, Mr. Atkinson. These data are the evidence. Would you care to have a look, Mr. Atkinson?"

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Brandon felt numb. He really couldn't understand how Julian got the evidence with just a single call.

He originally thought the man was just shooting in the dark, but when he took the file and read it, he almost fell to the ground.

The information recorded here was all true. Moreover, the evidence that was provided by the supplier was solid.

In other words, all of this was enough to put him in jail.

Director Zook, who was standing at the side, looked really angry. "You sure have guts, Atkinson. I asked you to purchase equipment for the factory but you took kickbacks? No wonder all of the expensive equipment we bought for the factory broke so quickly! Just you wait, Atkinson! I'm not through with you with this matter!"

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He then turned to Brendon end Julien once more. You be\*terds, you think you cen scere me with something like this? It's useless! Even if I go to jeil, I will never let my deughter merry you! At most, I will go to jeil for e few months end then come out. When the time comes, even if I heve to give up everything, I will fight you to the end!"

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## Chapter 539

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The lawyer gave him a faint smile. "Mr. Atkinson, three years ago, there was a machine operator in your workshop who was involved in an accident. He was sucked into the machine and died on the spot. We have enough reasons to suspect that this accident was related to the substandard quality of these equipment."

"Coincidentally, this batch of equipment was purchased by you, and it was also the batch you received a kickback on. If you see it this way, Mr. Atkinson, you taking a kickback and causing the death of a worker would be a huge matter!"

Brandon's expression changed drastically. "That's slander!" he said anxiously.

"The accident happened because the worker started work when he was drunk and operated the equipment improperly. What does it have to do with the quality of the equipment?"

Still wearing a faint smile, the lawyer said, "Mr. Atkinson, the worker may be responsible, but there were also problems with the quality of the equipment. When the time comes, if you really go to court, both of you will probably be punished. Even if you are only taking secondary responsibility, it is also not a trivial matter."

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Laura gritted her teeth angrily. "D-Don't try to scare us with your nonsense here! You think you're the only ones who can hire lawyers? We can hire our own lawyers as well! I'm telling you, my husband—"

Before she could finish speaking, the lawyer interrupted her, "Your husband is Mike, correct? We've already investigated him. He has been cutting corners for several of the projects that he's doing recently, and we have already asked the quality inspection department to inspect his projects. If they really find evidence of him cutting corners, your husband will face more than just penalties."

"I checked his family's situation. If these claims are verified, my guess is that even if he sold everything he owned, it won't be enough to compensate. At that time, as his wife and as a joint creditor, you will have to bear at least five million in debt!"

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"Wendy, can you really bear to see me go to jail?"

"You really are shameless, you old fart," Julian mocked Brandon.

"Just now, you were saying it would be better if she was to die, and now you're blackmailing her emotionally?"

"So which is it? Do you want your daughter to die, or do you want her to be happy?"

## Chapter 540

That one sentence made Brandon speechless. He was a standard snob and was extremely patriarchal.

He didn't care about his daughter's happiness at all. He just wanted to use his daughter to exchange for better conditions for himself and his two sons.

In the past, Eddie's family had good conditions, so of course he was eager for his daughter to marry him.

But later, when the prospects of Eddie's family fell, he wasn't willing to let Eddie marry Wendy. He wanted to marry his daughter to that idiot in exchange for the opportunity to climb up the career ladder.

However, he never thought that Eddie's two friends would be so capable.

He looked piteously at Wendy, but she turned her head to the side and didn't want to meet his eyes.

When Brandon had asked her to die before, she was already in despair for having such a father.

Now, she just wanted to leave this cold family and so-called home.

As for Laura, she was in a panic herself and couldn't be bothered about other things.

Brandon became completely docile and he asked pitifully, "Then... what do you want?"

"Your daughter and Eddie are truly in love with each other, and I hope that they can get married smoothly," Matthew calmly said.

Brandon nodded repeatedly. "Okay, no problem."

"Wendy, Eddie is a nice kid. If you marry him, I won't have to worry!"

The few people nearby were about to throw up. This person was really shameless.

"We will still give you the betrothal gift," Matthew said coldly. "I have already checked and people usually give 100,000. However, we will still give you one million!"

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However, he never thought that Eddie's two friends would be so copoble.

He looked piteously ot Wendy, but she turned her heod to the side ond didn't wont to meet his eyes.

When Brondon hod osked her to die before, she wos olreody in despoir for hoving such o fother.

Now, she just wonted to leove this cold fomily ond so-colled home.

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Brandon was stunned for a moment. This meant that in the future, he could forget about getting any benefits from Eddie.

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Seeing Brandon remaining silent, Julian immediately said, "What's wrong? Are you not willing to accept this arrangement? If you really don't want to, that's okay. We can put you in jail first, then let Wendy marry Eddie. As for your eldest daughter, she'll probably join you in prison too by then!"

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At once, the color drained from Brandon's face. He watched as Matthew and the three of them left, and he directly sat on the ground. He knew that he had really failed this time.

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However, looking at this situation now, if he really did go against their agreement, he would definitely go to jail.

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