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Chapter 807 You Can Let Us Leave

Su Yige's gaze lingered on Lu Qingyou's face for a moment before a faint smile appeared on her face. "Hello," she greeted in return.

She sounded warm and polite.

With that smile, Lu Qingyou felt that Su Yige looked somewhat familiar.

Where have we met before?

She couldn't remember.

Lu Qingyou could only smile back.

At this moment, Bai Yeqi, who was beside them, spoke up. "Would you pour Qingyou a glass of water as well?"

He was speaking to Su Yige.

The meaning behind his words was to indicate that Su Yige was the hostess.

Lu Qingyou was clever and quickly said to Su Yige, "Thank you, sister-in-law."

Su Yige looked surprised as she glanced at Bai Yeqi, but she quickly averted her gaze and poured water for Lu Qingyou.

Lu Qingyou took the water and thanked her again. As she watched Bai Yeqi and Su Yige enter the kitchen, she tiptoed in that direction, wanting to eavesdrop on their conversation. However, before she could hear anything, she heard the sound of something breaking inside.

Were they fighting? Arguing?

The next moment, Su Yige stormed out from inside.

Her face was slightly pale when she looked up at Lu Qingyou. "I'll bring you two sets of clothes," she whispered.

"Okay." Lu Qingyou quickly nodded.

After Su Yige left, Lu Qingyou entered the kitchen and saw Bai Yeqi standing there with a grim expression. She couldn't help but ask, "What happened between you two? Did you fight?"

"It's nothing."

Lu Qingyou didn't press further when she saw his unwillingness to say more. However, she was itching to know what was going on between them.

Su Yige brought the clothes for her—one set of pajamas and one set of clothes for tomorrow—in no time.

She was quite considerate.

After taking a shower, Lu Qingyou lay down and fell asleep not long after.

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Upstairs, Su Yige sat by the bed, looking at the chubby baby in the crib with a gentle expression.

Click.

As the door opened, Bai Yeqi walked in, his body damp from the rain.

Su Yige knew who had come in, but she didn't turn to look at him.

Bai Yeqi approached and sat down beside her. He had a gentle expression as well when he looked at Su Yang lying in the crib.

"Why is he sleeping all the time?"

Bai Yeqi had been busy with work recently. When he left in the morning, Su Yang was still asleep, and when he came back at night, Su Yang was also sleeping. He couldn't help finding it novel as he rarely had any contact with such a young child.

"That's how children are."

Su Yige turned her head when she heard the question. Seeing the curious look on his face, she couldn't help giving him a brief answer.

After speaking, she turned her head away again.

She didn't want to talk to Bai Yeqi.

Bai Yeqi was not a good person. He might not be as ruthless as Gong Zeyang, nor was he a principled and morally upright person, but he was a complicated and contradictory man.

Even so, he had sent someone abroad to bring Su Yang back.

Su Yang was Su Yige's hope in life, her weakness, her everything. Bai Yeqi having Su Yang in his hands was akin to him holding her lifeline.

She didn't want to have any relationship with any man anymore, but she couldn't avoid it.

Bai Yeqi reached out to hold her hand and softly uttered, "If you're bored, you can go play with Qingyou. She's lively and cheerful. You'll like her."

Su Yige pulled her hand out expressionlessly. "I understand. You can go back to your room now. I need to rest."

In the next moment, she felt a change in Bai Yeqi's aura.

"Yige, do you know how unlikeable and ungrateful you are being?"

His voice was deep when he uttered those words. The warm and humid scent of his shower and the fragrance of shower gel wafting toward Su Yige only made her uncomfortable.

She looked at Bai Yeqi coldly and moved back, keeping her distance. "You can let us leave."

She didn't want to stay with Bai Yeqi for a moment longer.

Bai Yeqi repeated, "Us?"

He sneered and reached out to touch Su Yang's face, his voice becoming softer.

"In your dreams."

Since moving here, there hadn't been a single harmonious day between her and Bai Yeqi. They would argue every day because of this.

"Why are you doing this? You could easily find a woman from a good family to marry and have children with. Why do you insist on holding onto Su Yang?"

Bai Yeqi looked at her with a half smile on his face. "I'm not that heartless. Besides, it's normal for me to live with my son and his mother, isn't it?"

Bai Yeqi would respond like this every time they talked about this topic.

Lu Qingyou's face appeared in Su Yige's mind.

She was a lively and pure young lady. It was evident that she was favored in her family and living environment.

Every woman probably wanted to live like Lu Qingyou.

Su Yige had no other expectations in her life. She just wanted to live a simple life and raise Su Yang to adulthood.

But even this small expectation was completely shattered when she met Bai Yeqi.

She had made mistakes in the past, but she didn't owe Bai Yeqi anything.

Su Yige gritted her teeth and sneered. "If you want to live together with us and truly love Su Yang, marry me. As long as we get married, the three of us can live together."

Bai Yeqi's expression changed instantly. Without saying anything else, he turned around and left.

Su Yige turned her back to the door before she heard it close. Glancing back, she pulled the blanket for Su Yang before turning off the lights and lying down on the bed.

She knew that Bai Yeqi would never marry her.

She was a divorced woman, and she had a messy past.

Although these words were harsh, they were the truth.

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Bai Yeqi returned to his room and poured himself a glass of red wine with a gloomy face.

He was swaying the content in the glass he was holding, lost in thought when his phone rang.

He glanced at it and saw that it was Bai Yunan calling.

Raising an eyebrow slightly, he tapped the screen to answer the call.

Before Bai Yeqi could speak, Bai Yunan immediately asked, "Where's Qingyou?"

"She's with me." Bai Yeqi sounded a bit annoyed as he was in a bad mood.

"Take care of her yourself if you are so worried about her. Why come to me later?"

Bai Yunan fell silent for a moment before demanding. "Are you drinking?"

"You can tell?" Bai Yeqi laughed at himself. "I have something to ask you."

"Yeah?"

Sensing that Bai Yeqi's mood was off, Bai Yunan became serious.

"Do you think they would agree if I were to marry a divorced woman?"

His tone might sound light, but there was certainty in it.

Bai Yunan had just finished a meeting and was a bit tired. Hearing Bai Yeqi say this, he frowned even deeper. "Yeqi, can't you just get a problem-free woman to marry?"

Shu Yanian was also the same. Not only was her family situation a mess, but she was also someone who harbored malicious thoughts.

Chapter 808 A Slight Resemblance

Bai Yeqi was not happy to hear what Bai Yunan said. He roared, "Are you saying that divorcees can't live a peaceful life? I have also been divorced!"

"It's not the same situation, is it?" Bai Yunan was already tired and didn't want to say anything more.

Besides, he was leaving tomorrow morning to carry out a mission at the border. He didn't have the time or the inclination to talk to Bai Yeqi in detail.

"I'm leaving tomorrow to carry out a mission, I don't have time to talk now.

You're not a child; you know what kind of woman you want, so there's no need to ask me again. I'll thank you for Qingyou's matter when I come back. That's it for now."

After Bai Yunan finished speaking, he hung up the phone in a hurry. He was pressed for time.

Bai Yeqi, on the other hand, couldn't fall asleep for half the night.

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The next day.

Su Yige was already in the kitchen making breakfast when Lu Qingyou woke up.

Beside her was a baby carriage where Su Yang soundly slept, looking particularly cute. This made Lu Qingyou feel a bit envious.

Lu Qingyou stood next to the stroller, curiously watching Su Yang when she reached out to touch him. However, she quickly retracted her hand as if afraid of hurting him.

Su Yige turned her head and saw the cautious look on her face. She gently smiled and reassured Lu Qingyou, "It's okay. You can touch him. He is a deep sleeper. He doesn't wake up easily."

"Really?"

Fascinated, Lu Qingyou reached out to touch him.

The child looked adorable and fun to play with.

After staring at Su Yang for a while, Lu Qingyou walked over to Su Yige,

"Sister-in-law, did you wake up early to prepare breakfast? It must be hard for you to take care of the child and cook."

The term "sister-in-law" sounded a bit harsh to Su Yige's ears. She lowered her head to stir the porridge in the pot and replied in a soft voice, "It's nothing. I have nothing else to do anyway."

Her initial plan was to settle down here, find a good house, then find a satisfactory job before she hired a suitable nanny. She would then bring Su Yang back.

But Bai Yeqi's actions interrupted her plans.

Now she had to take care of Su Yang here with a part-time cleaner who came during the day. Bai Yeqi was generous enough to give her a card, allowing her to go out and have fun whenever she wanted.

However, she was someone who had had her fair share of branded goods.

Now, she didn't care about those things at all. She basically didn't go out.

She even thought about running away. If she ran to Yunzhou City to find Su Ziyue, Su Ziyue would definitely take care of her. Only Su Ziyue could handle her.

But when she calmed down, she gave up on this idea.

She knew she shouldn't disturb Su Ziyue who was living a good life. Besides, her original intention of coming to Jingcheng City was to start over in a new city.

Lu Qingyou noticed that Su Yige seemed unenthusiastic and looked at the oatmeal in the pot. She mentioned enthusiastically, "It looks great! I love oatmeal the most."

"I'm glad."

There was nothing wrong with Su Yige's answer, but it made it difficult for Lu Qingyou to continue the conversation.

Lu Qingyou had a feeling that something was going on between Su Yige and Bai Yeqi.

It made sense when she thought about it. For a one-year-old child to appear out of nowhere... Furthermore, the child's father had just gotten divorced not long ago, and the child's mother was acting all strange.

It was too complicated.

Not long after, Bai Yeqi also came downstairs.

The three of them sat at the dining table and had breakfast. Lu Qingyou noticed that these two people didn't speak to each other. As a guest, she didn't have much to say, so she just ate her meal.

She thought that Su Yige looked impressive when the latter was cooking in the kitchen, but now that she was tasting the oatmeal Su Yige prepared, she found it quite average. Still, it's better than what I cook.

After breakfast, Bai Yeqi went to work at the company.

Since Lu Qingyou had nowhere to go, she continued to stay here.

She went back to her room and messaged An Xia.

'An Xia, do you know a woman named Su Yige?'

An Xia must have been busy with something as she didn't reply for a long time.

Noticing this, Lu Qingyou went to check her WeChat Moments and saw that An Xia had posted a photo of her shopping with Su Ziyue yesterday. She clicked on the photo and looked at it for a moment before slapping her thigh. She finally understood why she kept feeling like she had seen Su Yige somewhere before.

It was because Su Yige and Su Ziyue's eyes looked similar.

The two of them clearly had different appearances and temperaments, but there was a slight resemblance.

And they both had the surname Su.

The surname Su was rare in Jingcheng City and was more common in the south.

As Su Ziyue and the others had left for a while, Lu Qingyou didn't connect the dots until now. She finally understood what was going on.

While she was browsing WeChat Moments, An Xia replied to her message.

'I know her. Why do you ask?'

Lu Qingyou hadn't known An Xia for long, but they got along well.

She hesitated whether to tell An Xia about Su Yige and Bai Yeqi's situation, but in the end, she compromised and asked her, 'What's her relationship with Su Ziyue?'

'They are cousins. You haven't told me what's going on yet.' An Xia's interest was piqued.

'It's nothing. I was just asking. I don't have a signal now, so let's leave it at that.'

Her excuse for leaving was so old-fashioned that An Xia only replied with a string of ellipses.

Women, especially someone like Su Yige who has turned over a new leaf, were naturally curious.

An Xia thought for a while and felt that Lu Qingyou wouldn't ask her about Su Yige for no reason.

In the afternoon, she went to Su Ziyue's house to chat with her as she had nothing to do.

Su Ziyue's belly was getting bigger, making it more difficult for her to move around. Eventually, she became too lazy to go out as often.

The pregnancy symptoms were not very obvious on her; she only gained a little weight while her skin condition became better.

When An Xia arrived, she saw Su Ziyue languidly leaning against the window, keeping Qin Zixi who was painting company.

While Qin Zixi had a talent for painting, Su Ziyue was not very good at it.

As Qin Zixi drew small animals based on pictures, Su Ziyue was coloring in a coloring book.

An Xia couldn't help but make fun of her. "How are you worse than a child?"

Su Ziyue helplessly shrugged. "He inherited his father's talent for painting. Nothing I can do about that."

"Do you want to send him to an art class?" An Xia was curious about parenting now. After all, she and Bai Jingshu were preparing to have a child. "I probably will if he wants to." When a thought suddenly came to mind, Su Ziyue whispered in An Xia's ear, "He can use this skill to flirt with the ladies in the future."

An Xia burst into laughter and touched her belly. "My child is listening, Mrs. Qin."

The two of them continued to chat for a while before An Xia mentioned to her, "Qingyou suddenly messaged me before to ask about Su Yige. I asked her what was going on, but she wouldn't answer me."

Su Ziyue thought for a moment before remembering who Qingyou was. Even though not as much as Su Ziyue, An Xia knew a little bit about Su Yige's past.

Lu Qingyou had a good relationship with the Bai family. When An Xia was kidnapped, Su Yige saved her without revealing herself. There was only one possible reason why Lu Qingyou was asking about Su Yige now.

Chapter 809 Difficult Rescue

Seeing Su Ziyue lost in thought, An Xia asked, "What are you thinking? Do you know something about Su Yige that I don't?"

Su Ziyue snapped back to reality and smiled. "Yes, I do know some of her secrets. After all, we used to be archenemies."

"Then tell me."

"No way."

Anxia could only pout.

After she left, Su Ziyue thought for a moment and decided to call Su Yige.

When Su Yige received the call, Su Yang happened to be taking a nap.

She tucked Su Yang in and walked to the side to answer the phone.

"How have you been lately?"

Su Ziyue's voice was soft. She seemed to have become gentler recently. This was something Su Yige noticed when she last saw Su Ziyue.

Perhaps people who lived happily would naturally become gentler and calmer.

"I'm doing well. How about you? Is your belly starting to grow now?"

They engaged in idle chat.

Finally, Su Ziyue tentatively asked her, "Are you used to Jingcheng City? After all, you've lived in the South since you were young. Have you considered coming back to Yunzhou City?"

Su Ziyue cautiously probed, causing Su Yige's eyes to turn red.

If Su Yige had realized it earlier, she probably wouldn't be living like this now.

But generally, things that started with "if" were impossible to happen.

Silently and beautifully, snow started falling outside the window.

She sniffled and said, "I'm a bit unaccustomed to it. I've been feeling a bit sick lately, but it just started snowing. It's quite beautiful. If you come to Jingcheng City again, come find me."

Su Ziyue paused. "Okay."

When the call ended, Su Yige looked at the increasingly dense snowflakes outside the window and let out a long sigh. She sent a text message to Su Ziyue.

It was just two simple words. 'Thank you.'

After Su Ziyue received the message, she casually put her phone aside. She then pulled Qin Zixi downstairs, saying, "Let's go see what your father cooked today."

There was no way around it. Pregnant women were only interested in eating.

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Lu Qingyou was sleeping when she received a call from Bai Yunan.

"Hello?" She answered the phone groggily without opening her eyes.

There was silence on the other end.

Years of familiarity made Lu Qingyou sensitive.

She opened her eyes and looked at her phone, realizing it was Bai Yunan calling.

She was surprised that he took the initiative to call her.

"Yunan?"

"I'm leaving. Take care of yourself."

Only then did Lu Qingyou suddenly remember that Bai Yunan was going on a mission again.

He risked his life every time he went on a mission.

She anxiously asked, "When will you be back?"

"I don't know."

"Then—"

"I don't have time. I'm hanging up."

Bai Yunan didn't give her a chance to speak and hung up the phone directly.

Lu Qingyou's mood became solemn.

He must come back safely this time too.

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Now that Bai Yunan went on another mission, Lu Qingyou regretted arguing with him the day before he left.

He couldn't bring a personal phone on his missions, so she wouldn't be able to contact him until he returned.

Moreover, he didn't say when he would be back. He didn't even give her an approximate date.

Usually, this kind of situation indicated that things were complicated.

Lu Qingyou's heart grew heavy.

She stayed at Bai Yeqi's place for two days. On the weekend, she packed up her things from the rented house and went back home.

She explained to her parents that the internship job wasn't going well, so she quit and planned to work at Bai Yeqi's company.

Although her parents didn't like Bai Yeqi very much, they knew that Bai Yeqi wouldn't mistreat Lu Qingyou. Thinking about how her working at his company was better than working at other companies outside, they didn't ask too many questions.

She went to Bai Yeqi's company to report for work and started adjusting to the new company. Instead of staying with Cheng Qiulu, she chose to live at home. Every time Bai Yunan went on a mission, time seemed to pass incredibly slowly for her. Each day felt exceptionally long.

After a week, she noticed that her father and Bai Jingshu next door were coming home later and later.

The atmosphere in the courtyard became heavy.

Lu Qingyou had a hunch that something big had happened, and she vaguely felt that it might be related to Bai Yunan.

However, she didn't dare to think too deeply about it.

That was until one day when she returned home from work and bought some things to take to the Bai Residence next door.

As soon as she entered, she saw Aunt Liu bustling around.

Aunt Liu smiled when she saw her. "You are here, Qingyou."

"I bought pastries and fruits. I'll go upstairs to see Grandpa first." Whenever she had free time, she would come to see Old Master Bai. After the incident with Bai Jingshu, Old Master Bai, who was already old, didn't like going out anymore and seemed more dispirited than before.

She went to Old Master Bai's room but didn't see him. He must be in the study, she guessed.

As she approached the study door, she heard her father's voice from inside.

"We've already sent a rescue team, but there are mountains and valleys all over that area. It's difficult to carry out a search and rescue at that complex location. It's been three days, but we haven't received any news..."

What is Dad doing here?

As she guessed they were discussing something important, she was about to leave when she heard Bai Mingxu say, "This isn't the first time we've encountered this situation. I believe Yunan will overcome the danger."

Hearing Bai Yunan's name, Lu Qingyou froze at the door.

The two inside had already noticed the movement by the door. They quickly exchanged a glance, and her father soon walked toward her. Opening the door, he saw his daughter and paused before asking, "Qingyou, why are you

here? Are you looking for Old Master Bai? He went out and hasn't come back yet."

Lu Qingyou couldn't focus on what he was saying. She asked directly, "What happened to Yunan? What happened that requires him to 'overcome the danger?'"

In the past, she deliberately didn't count the days or inquire about Bai Yunan's news every time he went on a mission.

This time, she probably felt uneasy because they had argued the day before he left.

She had grown up in the courtyard and heard many stories of people who never returned.

Afraid that Bai Yunan would be like the people she heard from the stories, she would obediently say goodbye and ask him to come back soon even if they fought before he left on a mission.

Mr. Lu glanced at Bai Mingxu with a reluctant gaze. "I'll take Qingyou home first."

Bai Mingxu waved. "Go ahead."

After he finished speaking, he sighed and sat down on the couch, covering his forehead with his hand. He looked exhausted.

"Come with me." Mr. Lu gestured to Lu Qingyou before dragging her along. Lu Qingyou's heart continued to sink as she followed her father out of the room.

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Back at the Lu Residence, Mr. Lu paced back and forth in the living room, feeling a bit annoyed. He then poured a glass of water for Lu Qingyou and reassured her, "Don't worry. Yunan is fine. There are always unexpected situations on every mission he goes on. You don't have to needlessly worry like this. Did you hear what I said?"

Lu Qingyou held the glass of water and looked up at him. "What happened to Yunan?"

"I already told you not to worry about it."

"It's bad, isn't it? You and Uncle Bai wouldn't be so worried otherwise."

Although Lu Qingyou didn't know the specifics, she could infer from their reactions that things were not optimistic.

"You're right." Her father sighed. "Yunan did encounter unexpected circumstances this time. His team's whereabouts may have been leaked by an insider. Contact with the entire team was lost when they went on a mission during a heavy rainstorm."

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"What are you planning to do, Qingyou?" Lu's father noticed that Lu Qingyou's tone was off and cautiously reminded her, "Do only what you need to do. This is not your business. Don't get involved."

Not wanting to say more, Mr. Lu turned around and went upstairs.

He knew his daughter better than anyone else. If she found out what had happened, she definitely wouldn't let it go so easily.

Of course, she wouldn't ignore anything related to Bai Yunan.

"Dad!" She stopped her father.

Mr. Lu sighed. "Be good and listen to me."

Seeing her father's tired face, Lu Qingyou felt a bit sorry for him. She stepped aside and let her father pass.

Mr. Lu looked at her and shook his head. "Qingyou, the mission Yunan is on this time is highly classified. I don't know much about it myself. Not even Bai knows much. We will handle this. You're still a child, so just focus on your work."

"Okay." Lu Qingyou forced a smile, nodding. "I understand."

Mr. Lu knew that Lu Qingyou had a good sense of propriety when it came to important matters. After reminding her again, he turned and went upstairs.

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Because of Bai Yunan's situation, Lu Qingyou was not in a good mood when she went to work the next day and ended up making one mistake after another.

However, no one in the company said anything about it, as everyone knew that Lu Qingyou had a special relationship with the boss. Another reason was that Lu Qingyou was always humble and had a good relationship with her colleagues.

During lunchtime, Bai Yeqi came to find her for a meal.

When they were ordering, Bai Yeqi noticed that she didn't seem to be in a good mood and asked, "What's wrong? Are you not used to the company?"

"I'm used to it. Everyone is nice to me." Lu Qingyou took a deep breath and turned to look out the window.

"What's the matter, then? Weren't you fine a few days ago?"

Bai Yeqi had been living in the city apartment recently and hadn't returned to the military compound, so he had no idea about Bai Yunan's situation.

He handed the menu to Lu Qingyou, who took it and flipped through a few pages before randomly ordering two dishes. She asked him, "Something happened to Yunan. Are you aware?"

"What do you mean?" Bai Yeqi paused in the middle of drinking water and looked at Lu Qingyou solemnly.

Lu Qingyou proceeded to tell Bai Yeqi everything she had heard and what her father had told her.

After hearing the whole story, Bai Yeqi frowned and asked, "Lost contact with the whole team?"

"Well, that's what my Dad said. Do you think he..." Lu Qingyou stopped halfway through her sentence.

That's impossible.

Bai Yeqi's expression became even more serious. "I'll go back today."

That night, Bai Yeqi and Lu Qingyou went to the military compound together.

Bai Mingxu hadn't come back yet when they returned.

Bai Yeqi went to Old Master Bai's room first.

Since Bai Jingshu got married, Old Master Bai's temper had improved a lot.

Although he wasn't particularly close to Bai Yeqi, he wasn't as biased as he was before.

Old Master Bai squinted his eyes and looked at him for a while as if he couldn't recognize him.

"Grandpa, it's me, Yeqi." Bai Yeqi walked over and pulled the blanket covering his legs, speaking in a gentle tone.

Old Master Bai stared at his face for a few more seconds before he seemed to finally recognize him. "I haven't seen you for a while, have I?"

"That's right. I've been busy with work lately, so I've been living in the city."

Bai Yeqi sat down opposite him and reached out to touch the glass of water next to him. When he found that it had cooled down, he poured the older man a cup of warm water.

Old Master Bai nodded and asked, "Where's Yunan? I haven't seen him for a long time."

"Yunan went on a mission. Did you forget?"

"Ah, so he went on a mission."

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After leaving the room, Bai Yeqi went downstairs and asked Aunt Liu, "Aunt Liu, how has Grandpa been doing recently?"

Aunt Liu was preparing dinner when she sighed upon hearing the question about Old Master Bai. "He's in good spirits, but sometimes his memory isn't very good. It seems like he's becoming forgetful."

"Please call the doctor tomorrow to check on him."

Aunt Liu quickly nodded.

He also thought of what Lu Qingyou had said and stopped Aunt Liu, asking, "Has my Dad been coming back late recently?"

"Yes. I'm not sure what he has been busy with. He often comes back late, and sometimes he comes back for a while during the day, takes a shower, changes clothes, and then goes out again..."

As Aunt Liu continued, she started to ramble, "This is such a big family, but no one comes back at all. The house is always so empty..."

Bai Yeqi smiled but didn't say anything. In his heart, he already understood that something had indeed happened to his elder brother.

During dinner, he called Bai Mingxu, but no one answered.

Bai Mingxu still hadn't returned, so he waited in the hall until late at night when Bai Mingxu finally came back.

"Yeqi?"

Bai Yeqi saw Bai Mingxu and hesitated for a moment.

"Dad." Bai Yeqi stood up and poured him a glass of hot water. "Have you been busy lately? You are home late."

Bai Mingxu leaned against the couch and stretched his neck. "Yunan's mission this time is a bit troublesome."

"What mission is he on this time?"

Bai Mingxu looked at him with surprise in his eyes. "This is classified information. I can't tell you."

"Qingyou said we couldn't contact Yunan because we've lost contact with his whole team. We may not have a reason to know what mission they were on, but we are concerned about Yunan's safety."

Bai Mingxu frowned at those words. It seems that Qingyou has heard about it. Even so, he wouldn't back down on this matter. "He's a soldier. For him, death, when he's on a mission, is an honor. His safety is our responsibility. Don't inquire too much or meddle as Qingyou does."

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Mr. Lu looked at her and shook his head. "Qingyou, the mission Yunan is on this time is highly classified. I don't know much about it myself. Not even Bai knows much. We will handle this. You're still a child, so just focus on your work."

"Okay." Lu Qingyou forced a smile, nodding. "I understand."

Mr. Lu knew that Lu Qingyou had a good sense of propriety when it came to important matters. After reminding her again, he turned and went upstairs.

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Because of Bai Yunan's situation, Lu Qingyou was not in a good mood when she went to work the next day and ended up making one mistake after another.

However, no one in the company said anything about it, as everyone knew that Lu Qingyou had a special relationship with the boss. Another reason was that Lu Qingyou was always humble and had a good relationship with her colleagues.

During lunchtime, Bai Yeqi came to find her for a meal.

When they were ordering, Bai Yeqi noticed that she didn't seem to be in a

good mood and asked, "What's wrong? Are you not used to the company?" "I'm used to it. Everyone is nice to me." Lu Qingyou took a deep breath and turned to look out the window.

"What's the matter, then? Weren't you fine a few days ago?"

Bai Yeqi had been living in the city apartment recently and hadn't returned to the military compound, so he had no idea about Bai Yunan's situation.

He handed the menu to Lu Qingyou, who took it and flipped through a few pages before randomly ordering two dishes. She asked him, "Something happened to Yunan. Are you aware?"

"What do you mean?" Bai Yeqi paused in the middle of drinking water and looked at Lu Qingyou solemnly.

Lu Qingyou proceeded to tell Bai Yeqi everything she had heard and what her father had told her.

After hearing the whole story, Bai Yeqi frowned and asked, "Lost contact with the whole team?"

"Well, that's what my Dad said. Do you think he..." Lu Qingyou stopped halfway through her sentence.

That's impossible.

Bai Yeqi's expression became even more serious. "I'll go back today."

That night, Bai Yeqi and Lu Qingyou went to the military compound together. Bai Mingxu hadn't come back yet when they returned.

Bai Yeqi went to Old Master Bai's room first.

Since Bai Jingshu got married, Old Master Bai's temper had improved a lot. Although he wasn't particularly close to Bai Yeqi, he wasn't as biased as he was before.

Old Master Bai squinted his eyes and looked at him for a while as if he couldn't recognize him.

"Grandpa, it's me, Yeqi." Bai Yeqi walked over and pulled the blanket covering his legs, speaking in a gentle tone.

Old Master Bai stared at his face for a few more seconds before he seemed to finally recognize him. "I haven't seen you for a while, have I?"

"That's right. I've been busy with work lately, so I've been living in the city."

Bai Yeqi sat down opposite him and reached out to touch the glass of water next to him. When he found that it had cooled down, he poured the older man a cup of warm water.

Old Master Bai nodded and asked, "Where's Yunan? I haven't seen him for a long time."

"Yunan went on a mission. Did you forget?"

"Ah, so he went on a mission."

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After leaving the room, Bai Yeqi went downstairs and asked Aunt Liu, "Aunt

Liu, how has Grandpa been doing recently?"

Aunt Liu was preparing dinner when she sighed upon hearing the question about Old Master Bai. "He's in good spirits, but sometimes his memory isn't very good. It seems like he's becoming forgetful."

"Please call the doctor tomorrow to check on him."

Aunt Liu quickly nodded.

He also thought of what Lu Qingyou had said and stopped Aunt Liu, asking, "Has my Dad been coming back late recently?"

"Yes. I'm not sure what he has been busy with. He often comes back late, and sometimes he comes back for a while during the day, takes a shower, changes clothes, and then goes out again..."

As Aunt Liu continued, she started to ramble, "This is such a big family, but no one comes back at all. The house is always so empty..."

Bai Yeqi smiled but didn't say anything. In his heart, he already understood that something had indeed happened to his elder brother.

During dinner, he called Bai Mingxu, but no one answered.

Bai Mingxu still hadn't returned, so he waited in the hall until late at night when Bai Mingxu finally came back.

"Yeqi?"

Bai Yeqi saw Bai Mingxu and hesitated for a moment.

"Dad." Bai Yeqi stood up and poured him a glass of hot water. "Have you been busy lately? You are home late."

Bai Mingxu leaned against the couch and stretched his neck. "Yunan's mission this time is a bit troublesome."

"What mission is he on this time?"

Bai Mingxu looked at him with surprise in his eyes. "This is classified information. I can't tell you."

"Qingyou said we couldn't contact Yunan because we've lost contact with his whole team. We may not have a reason to know what mission they were on, but we are concerned about Yunan's safety."

Bai Mingxu frowned at those words. It seems that Qingyou has heard about it. Even so, he wouldn't back down on this matter. "He's a soldier. For him, death, when he's on a mission, is an honor. His safety is our responsibility. Don't inquire too much or meddle as Qingyou does."

Chapter 811 Ninth Lord

The meaning of Bai Mingxu's words was clear. He wouldn't reveal anything about Bai Yunan's situation or the mission he was currently on to Bai Yeqi. This righteous appearance was indeed in line with his identity as a leader. However, Bai Yeqi understood very well that Bai Mingxu was also worried about Bai Yunan's safety.

"Dad, we're at home now. You don't have to be so formal. Ever since Yunan

joined the military, he has always been prepared to sacrifice himself. But as his family, it's normal for us to be selfish and hope that he stays alive."

He turned to look at Bai Mingxu and emphasized, "Same goes for you, Dad."

Bai Mingxu's face froze as he looked at Bai Yeqi in disbelief.

Bai Yeqi continued, "Dad, can you tell me even a little about Yunan's situation? Tell me what you can."

After a moment of silence, Bai Mingxu spoke up. "His mission this time is to capture the leader of the Black Moon Organization known as the Ninth Lord. He is the largest military, arms, and private business figure in the country. Someone had taken on this mission before, but they failed and were sent back in pieces. The Black Moon is extremely brutal. The Ninth Lord managed to escape to another country."

Bai Yeqi was involved in legitimate business and didn't know much about illegal activities like this.

"After learning from the previous experience, the higher-ups prepared for two years and just recently discovered that the Ninth Lord had returned to the country and was currently in T City near the border. That was why they sent Yunan there. He sent a message before saying that he had captured the Ninth Lord, but before they could receive any further updates, they lost contact with his entire team."

Bai Mingxu massaged his temples after saying that. It was obvious he hadn't had a good rest for several days as he was constantly worrying about this matter.

"What's the plan now? Are they sending reinforcements?" Bai Yeqi had also spent a few years in the military and understood some of these matters.

"We contacted the local police station, but when the Ninth Lord was in the country, he was active in T City for a long time and was very familiar with T City's police. We discussed it and decided to send someone directly from here. However, the Ninth Lord is a cunning person. If ordinary soldiers go, they won't have time to take action before he finds out about them."

There was a saying that the third time's the charm. This was already the second time they were trying to capture the Ninth Lord. If they failed again this time, he would definitely escape to another country, and they wouldn't be able to go after him anymore. This man who was like a malignant tumor would only continue to exist.

He would continue to engage in illegal activities, arms smuggling, and pose a threat to society.

Moreover, although he was the largest military, arms, and private business figure, he was involved in more than just arms smuggling. Drugs, money laundering...

There was nothing illegal that he wouldn't do.

"I'll go."

Bai Yeqi's sudden words caught Bai Mingxu completely off guard.

"What did you say?"

"I said I'll go support Yunan. I also spent a few years in the military and haven't completely lost my skills and knowledge. However, I don't have the aura of a soldier anymore. If I end up confronting the Ninth Lord, he might suspect me, but he would lower his guard a bit."

"No!"

Bai Mingxu didn't even think about it and immediately refused.

"There's no way I'm letting you go. You are not making any sense."

"Then do you have someone more suitable right now? Do you have any news about Yunan?" Bai Yeqi's expression was even more serious than before.

"Let's leave it at that for today."

Bai Mingxu ignored him and went upstairs after speaking.

Bai Yeqi had no choice but to go back to his room and sleep.

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The next day, Bai Yeqi went to the company early.

He attended meetings, approved documents, and postponed his schedule.

Noticing this, his secretary couldn't help but ask, "President Bai, are you planning to take a vacation anytime soon?"

"No." Bai Yeqi didn't even lift his head. "I'm going on a business trip."

"A business trip?" The secretary found it rather sudden. She had no idea Bai Yeqi had such a plan.

"I'm going to expand the market in Africa."

The secretary didn't say anything at that.

Even though it sounded unbelievable, something that the boss said oh-so-seriously must be true.

The news of Bai Yeqi going to expand the market in Africa reached Lu Qingyou's ears.

When they were eating together at lunchtime, Lu Qingyou asked him, "Are you kidding me? What does the company have that can be expanded in Africa? Don't joke around."

"Is that so?" Bai Yeqi smirked, his smile faint. "But I really am going to Africa."

"Did you ask Uncle Bai about what happened to Yunan?" Lu Qingyou thought he was just joking, so she didn't believe it at all.

"The situation is not optimistic. I plan to go to T City, but my Dad probably won't agree. And since this needs to be kept confidential, I'm telling everyone that I'm going to Africa."

Bai Yeqi's expression became serious. The matter concerned Bai Yunan's safety. He shouldn't be taking it lightly.

Bai Yunan was always cautious. It was inevitable that people would think

negatively, now that they had lost contact with his entire team.

When Lu Qingyou heard that he was going to T City, she blurted out, "Is Yunan on a mission in T City? I want to go too!"

"You're just a little girl, so don't get involved," Bai Yeqi didn't dare to bring Lu Qingyou along. He could keep himself safe if he went alone, but he couldn't guarantee their safety if he brought Lu Qingyou.

After thinking about it, Lu Qingyou also realized that it wasn't realistic for Bai Yeqi to take her with him.

However, now that she knew Bai Yunan was on a mission in T City, she could go on her own even if Bai Yeqi didn't take her.

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A few days later, Bai Yeqi set off for T City.

He called Bai Mingxu to tell him that he was going to T City just before boarding the plane.

Bai Mingxu was so angry that he smashed his phone on the spot.

"Bai Yeqi, get your *ss back here! You're still fooling around like a child at your age. Be sensible!"

"Dad, I'm not fooling around. I just want to save my brother. If he's safe, maybe I can help him with something. If something happened to him, I'll go save him. I'll take care of myself."

After speaking, he hung up the phone.

When Bai Mingxu tried calling him again, it showed that the phone was turned off.

He was so angry that he could only pace around in frustration.

Lu Qingyou, on the other hand, bought an evening flight ticket.

Her father had been busy recently and didn't have time to pay attention to her.

As for Mrs. Lu, she was always busy with work and didn't even know about Bai Yunan's situation. She knew nothing about Lu Qingyou planning to secretly go to T City.

Lu Qingyou might be bold, but she didn't dare to call her family from the airport as Bai Yeqi did.

However, she did tell An Xia once before she left, saying that she was going to T City.

An Xia was puzzled. "Why are you going somewhere so far away?"

T City was a distant and somewhat inhospitable place situated on the border. Considering its remote location and less-than-ideal surroundings, it hardly seemed like a feasible destination for a leisurely vacation.

"There's something important I need to attend to. In a few days, please let Jingshu know to tell my family that I went to T City."

"What? Why?"

An Xia found it rather odd; something about it didn't seem quite right. Just what was it that Lu Qingyou wanted to do?

Chapter 812 Inconvenient to Contact Others

"Don't worry about it, An Xia. I'm counting on you. I have something to do, so goodbye for now."

An Xia looked at the disconnected phone call and felt more and more suspicious. However, she couldn't figure out what was going on.

On the other hand, Lu Qingyou returned directly to the provincial capital where T City was located, then took a train from the provincial capital to T City.

Although T City was a city, it was not big.

She soon found a small hotel where she could check in without showing her ID.

The people here were generally not tall and had tanner skin. As she was from the north, she was slightly taller. Moreover, since she had never had to work a day under the sun, her skin was smooth, and her temperament couldn't be concealed.

This was something she noticed after going out for a walk and having a meal. There were hardly any outsiders here, so her appearance attracted a lot of attention.

The next day, she put on makeup to make herself look "ugly."

Basically, she applied layers of powder and added a few discolored dots on her face before she tied her hair up into what looked like a bird's nest.

She didn't dare to contact her family or call Bai Yeqi.

If they knew she was here, they would definitely try to send her back.

If that happened, looking for Bai Yunan would be like finding a needle in a haystack. However, there was one thing she was very clear about: Bai Yeqi would go to the local police station.

In the following days, she disguised herself and went to the entrance of the police station every day to keep watch.

She refused to believe that she wouldn't bump into Bai Yeqi.

Finally, on the third day at noon, she saw him coming out of the police station. Dressed in all black, he had a cap covering his much-shorter hair. Lu Qingyou wouldn't have recognized him if she wasn't familiar with him.

There were also two people following him. When they reached the entrance, the two people said a few words to him, and he nodded before they parted ways.

Although Bai Mingxu didn't agree with Bai Yeqi coming over, he couldn't do anything to Bai Yeqi who insisted on coming to T City. In the end, he had to agree to his son's decision.

Moreover, even if Bai Yeqi didn't come, other people would still end up coming. Some things had to be done.

The reason people enjoyed a peaceful and prosperous era was that there were those who were shouldering the darkness.

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Lu Qingyou carefully followed behind Bai Yeqi for a long distance until they arrived at his place.

She booked a room nearby after checking the location.

When she went back to pack her things and brought them over, she saw Bai Yeqi waiting for her at the entrance of the hotel.

With his hands in his pockets, he looked like he had been waiting for a long time.

Lu Qingyou pretended not to recognize him and walked past him with her head down.

When she had walked two steps past Bai Yeqi, he called out slowly, "Lu Qingyou."

The bag in Lu Qingyou's hand fell to the ground. She turned her head, with a bitter face, and almost knelt in front of Bai Yeqi. "Yeqi, I beg you, please don't let my family know that I'm in T City. My dad will send me back!"

Bai Yeqi's face turned cold as he looked at her, and he warned in a lowered voice, "So you do know that you're acting recklessly. If you don't want them to take you back, you'd better go back on your own."

Lu Qingyou was about to say something, but Bai Yeqi interrupted her. He looked around, grabbed Lu Qingyou's hand, and walked upstairs, not forgetting to carry her bag.

Once they were in the room, he closed the door and continued to stare at her with a cold face. "You're getting bolder. You'll be in big trouble if Uncle Lu finds out about this."

Lu Qingyou weakly pleaded, "Don't let my Dad know then, Yeqi."

"Is this a place where you can come? Is it a place where you can act recklessly? Forget about your Dad; if Yunan finds out that I let you come, I'll be in big trouble too!"

He never expected Lu Qingyou to be so bold. Although she was pretty tough, she had always been able to distinguish the importance and urgency of things. She was sensible and never acted recklessly.

"I know my actions this time were impulsive and irresponsible, but I'm worried about Yunan. What if something happens to him? I'm just going to wait for you guys here. I won't do anything, and I won't cause you any trouble. I'll listen to you. Please don't tell my family that I'm in T City."

Lu Qingyou had already thought about this issue. It was almost impossible for a woman like her to find Bai Yunan.

However, by coming to T City, she was at least a little closer to Bai Yunan. If they had any news about him, she would be able to know it as soon as

possible.

That would be good enough.

Lu Qingyou looked at Bai Yeqi with a pleading, pitiful expression. Seeing this, Bai Yeqi couldn't help but waver.

As he gave a small nod, Lu Qingyou couldn't be happier. But then he said, "You stay here and don't go anywhere. Otherwise, I'll call back to Jingcheng City and have them send someone to pick you up."

"Okay!"

After negotiating the terms with Bai Yeqi, Lu Qingyou felt as though a huge burden was lifted off her chest.

At night, Bai Yeqi sat on the couch, studying a topographic map. Lu Qingyou wanted to ask questions as she couldn't understand well, but she was afraid of disturbing him.

Bai Yunan turned his head and glanced at her. "You want to ask me what I've found out, right?"

Lu Qingyou honestly replied, "Yeah, but I don't want to disturb you."

"Yunan should be safe. They chased the Ninth Lord to the outskirts. No matter how you look at it, they wouldn't be unable to find him in these mountains. So, there is only one reason, and that is Yunan intentionally not contacting us. He must have come up with another plan because of the Ninth Lord's cunning nature. What we need to do now is to contact Yunan."

"So what you're saying is, Yunan is safe, but because he changed his plan at the last minute, it's inconvenient for him to contact others?"

"That's right."

Lu Qingyou nodded and fell into deep thought.

In other words, Yunan had already disguised his identity and was hiding in a corner of T City.

Bai Yeqi believed that if he told Lu Qingyou that Bai Yunan's life was not in danger, she would at least be more obedient.

He could even persuade her to go back.

However, he didn't say it immediately because he was worried that saying it too early would cause Lu Qingyou to react negatively.

In the following days, Bai Yeqi would leave early and return late. Lu Qingyou, too, did the same.

She wandered around T City every day.

Taking taxis, taking buses, wandering around the city...

T City was too small. It didn't take her long to roughly explore the city. As she had a good memory, she quickly remembered the locations of various districts and streets. For those she couldn't remember, she wrote them down.

She had initially wanted to try her luck and see if she could bump into Bai Yunan.

Unexpectedly, she hadn't met Bai Yunan yet, but she had become familiar with the topography of T City.

She would always leave later than Bai Yeqi every day and return earlier.

Because of that, the man didn't pay much attention to her.

When Lu Qingyou was half asleep late at night, she felt the door being pushed open. The person's movements were very light, but she quickly woke up as her nerves had been highly tense recently.

Before she could speak, the person came forward and covered her mouth.

Chapter 813 The Man Whose Face She Couldn't See Clearly

"Don't talk. It's me."

When Lu Qingyou recognized the voice, she called out softly, "Yeqi?"

Bai Yeqi loosened his grip on her slightly, whispering, "Someone who has possibly come for us has entered this hotel. I've already contacted the police, but just in case, we need to escape through the window."

Lu Qingyou's mind, which was still a bit muddled, suddenly cleared up.

Shuddering, she quickly put on her coat.

Because of the recent situation, she only took off her coat when she slept and didn't even change into pajamas. This made it convenient so that she could run away easily in case of emergencies.

Bai Yeqi took out a rope from somewhere and tied it securely before letting Lu Qingyou go down first.

This place was on the third floor. Even though Lu Qingyou was a bit scared, she didn't want to hold Bai Yeqi back. And so, she gritted her teeth and went down the rope.

Seeing how obedient Lu Qingyou was, Bai Yeqi felt relieved.

When she landed, her legs were still trembling.

After Bai Yeqi also came down, he pulled her into a nearby convenience store and ordered a cup of coffee for each of them.

As the two sat side by side in the supermarket, sipping their coffee, they could see several police cars parked outside the hotel across the street.

Lu Qingyou turned to look at Bai Yeqi and saw that he was just focused on watching the opposite side, without any intention of going over to meet the police.

The police got out of the car and ran upstairs. Not long after, a few people ran out from inside.

Those people were fully armed and wrapped up tightly from head to toe, making it impossible to see their faces clearly. Also, they were running away at top speed.

The person at the back who was a bit slower ended up being caught by the police.

One of the police officers stood in front of the car and looked around before

taking out his phone to make a call.

Then, Lu Qingyou heard Bai Yeqi's phone ringing.

"Is he calling you?" Lu Qingyou curiously asked Bai Yeqi.

"Yes."

Bai Yeqi responded indifferently. After a slight pause, he answered the call.

Lu Qingyou didn't know what the police officer said to Bai Yeqi, but she heard Bai Yeqi say into the phone, "We are safe now. Let's meet at another place tomorrow. Okay. Goodbye."

After hanging up the phone, he stood up and said to Lu Qingyou, "Let's go."

The two then found a hotel to stay for the night before they went to the police station the next day.

They were welcomed by a man in his 30s who spoke with authority.

"Mr. Bai."

"Officer Fang."

After Bai Yeqi greeted Officer Fang, Officer Fang's gaze fell on Lu Qingyou.

"And who is this?" he asked.

"My sister. She threw a tantrum at home and followed me here."

Bai Yeqi answered casually without even introducing Lu Qingyou to Officer Fang, making it clear that he wouldn't reveal Lu Qingyou's identity.

However, the police knew that someone who would follow Bai Yeqi was definitely not ordinary.

"Please, come in and talk."

Fortunately, Officer Fang wasn't a nosy person. He led them into his office.

Officer Fang poured water for both of them and sat down. "Last night's event was unexpected. We were negligent. Are you both okay?"

"We're fine, but you might need to thoroughly investigate your subordinates, Officer Fang. I'm not a military person, and no one knew when I came here. After arriving in Jingcheng City, besides meeting you, I kept my whereabouts secret. Being attacked in the middle of the night couldn't have been the Ninth Lord's doing. It's highly likely that there is a mole on your side who knew about my meeting with you, and the Ninth Lord's men guessed my identity, which is why they chose to attack at night."

Bai Yeqi had already thought about this issue while he was drinking coffee with Lu Qingyou at the supermarket last night.

He had been cautious during the short time he was here. The Ninth Lord and his men had just been chased by Bai Yunan, so they would definitely focus on the police station and the support sent from Jingcheng City. They wouldn't have their eyes on him.

He had also talked to Bai Mingxu on the phone a couple of days ago, and there would be a support team coming later.

Officer Fang's expression turned grim after he heard Bai Yeqi's words. He

pursed his lips and awkwardly replied, "Alright, I will thoroughly investigate my people. Where are you both staying now?"

"Don't worry, Officer Fang. We have our own place."

Lu Qingyou looked at Bai Yeqi in surprise. At first, his words seemed polite, but upon closer consideration, it was clear that he had his guard up against Officer Fang.

Both of them were pretending to be clueless, and Officer Fang pretended not to notice. He even politely saw them off.

The place Bai Yeqi found this time was a high-end apartment.

As soon as Lu Qingyou entered, she asked him, "Don't you trust Officer Fang?"

"It's not that." Bai Yeqi closed the door and walked inside while saying, "Officer Fang is a responsible police officer, but the Ninth Lord's men are already familiar with him. I'm sure the police are closely monitoring the Ninth Lord. If we live in the accommodation arranged by Officer Fang, those people will definitely find us quickly."

Lu Qingyou nodded in confusion. "Then... When will we see Yunan?"

Bai Yeqi paused and remained silent for a while. "That depends on when he takes the initiative to come to us."

Lu Qingyou looked at him in astonishment. "Really?"

However, Bai Yeqi only wore an inscrutable expression on his face and didn't say anything more.

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Bai Yeqi went out early the next morning.

There was a supermarket in the neighborhood where Lu Qingyou could buy daily necessities and groceries, so she didn't need to leave the community.

At 10 in the morning., she went downstairs to the supermarket to buy things. She ended up buying too many items, and it was a bit difficult for her to carry them.

A tall figure slowly approached from not far away. When he reached behind Lu Qingyou, he asked in a deep voice, "Miss, do you need help?"

Upon hearing this voice, Lu Qingyou froze, quickly turned her head, and saw a man in a janitor's uniform. The hat and mask he had on made it impossible for her to see his face clearly.

"Yu—" She started to say this word but quickly changed her words. "Please do."

After the man took the things from her hands, he kept a distance of one step from her and followed behind her.

They met neighbors from the same floor at the elevator. The moment the neighbors saw the "janitor" behind her, they chatted curiously, "When did we have such a tall male janitor in our community?"

"I don't know. Judging by his clothes, he doesn't seem to be from our community..."

"How tall. You don't see tall men like him here often."

"Maybe he's from out of town."

As the voices of the two women gradually faded away, Lu Qingyou looked at the man with some worry.

In return, the man gave her a reassuring look.

Once they entered the apartment, she closed the door and reached out to remove the man's mask. Under the mask was an incredibly familiar face.

Lu Qingyou's eyes immediately turned red, and she pouted as she called out, "Yunan..." She then reached out to hug him.

But Bai Yunan dodged her.

He looked at Lu Qingyou with a cold expression. "Why did you come here?"

He received the news that Bai Yeqi had come, but he didn't expect Lu Qingyou to come along as well. This was ridiculous!