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Chapter 1477 Who Else

"Kallum, Danrique and Ms. Lindberg are different beings. You can't compare them," Spencer said calmly. "Now, she's Mrs. Nacht, Mr. Zachary's wife!"

"So what?" Kallum refused to listen to him. "There are plenty of women in history who have killed their husbands to get their husbands' wealth!"

As soon as he said that, the air in the room tensed up.

The shareholders stared at Charlotte and Kallum fearfully.

With her gaze lowered, Charlotte sipped on her tea without bothering to respond.

Johann broke into a cold sweat. I can't believe Kallum is that arrogant to defame Charlotte!

However, he wasn't in the right position to speak up for Charlotte. Thus, he had to remain silent as his heart leaped to his throat.

"Kallum, don't go overboard!" Spencer retorted. "Ms. Lindberg is married to Mr. Zachary. How could you disrespect her? Do you even respect Mr. Zachary?"

"Spencer, you're too old to be aware of how dangerous the corporate world is," Kallum replied with a frown. "Look at you, trembling in your seat. You should head home and rest. Stop butting into my business."

"Hey!" Spencer went wordless with rage.

However, Kallum didn't even spare him another glance.

The other board members advised, "Mr. Kallum, let's return to the topic. You can't be rude to Mr. Spencer."

"I was just concerned about his health," came Kallum's answer.

"Kallum Nacht, right?" Charlotte finally spoke. "You're the CEO of Nacht Group's company based in M Nation. As you're three generations apart from my husband, we're considered relatives."

"You flatter me," Kallum uttered icily. He assumed that Charlotte wanted to butter up to him.

However, Charlotte's tone did a one-eighty. "But as I'm your superior, I can fire you for spouting nonsense here."

"How dare you?" Kallum fumed.

"Why not?" Charlotte lifted an eyebrow. "I'm the biggest shareholder in Nacht Group. I can fire you if I like. What can you do about it?"

"You..." Kallum was at a loss for words.

Johann immediately shot a look at Charlotte to remind her not to act recklessly. After all, Kallum was representing all thirteen board members from the headquarter.

As expected, the other board members chimed in, "Ms. Lindberg, you're so authoritative, huh? Why don't you fire us all?"

"That isn't what she meant," Spencer offered hastily.

"Those who disagree can leave now." Instead of giving in, Charlotte gave a court order. "Lucy, hand every board member a resignation letter. Those who wish to leave can sign the letter and complete the procedure now."

"Hey!"

Her order immediately created an uproar.

Besides those from the headquarter, even those from Divine Corporation and other branches were abuzz with discussion.

The tension in the air increased under Kallum's incitement.

Some board members started reprimanding Charlotte for her arrogance. After accusing her of abusing her authority, they started to suspect her motives.

Growing anxious, Spencer asked Johann to dissuade Charlotte.

Rising to his feet with difficulty, Johann was about to go to Charlotte as requested when she parted her lips to say, "Why? Do you want to resign, Mr. Sterk?"

At once, everyone fell silent and gazed at her in disbelief.

Stunned, Johann replied instinctively, "Of course not."

"Sit down, then." Charlotte made a gesture with her hand.

Johann immediately sank down.

"Who else wants to resign? We can go through the procedure now." Charlotte gazed at them calmly. "Don't worry. Nacht Group will give you what you deserve. You won't receive a cent less."

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Chapter 1478 A Domineering Female President

Johann and Spencer gaped at Charlotte. They had no idea what she was getting at.

Though some board members remained skeptical, they held important positions in the company. If they were to leave, the company would be in a total mess and had to stop operation.

"Charlotte Lindberg, this is too much!" Kallum exclaimed, slamming on the table. He rose to his feet and declared, "She's messing around to destroy Nacht Group!"

"What will I get in return when Nacht Group is destroyed?" Charlotte retorted icily. "Even if you refuse to admit it, my children are the heirs to the company. Mr. Henry Nacht has left his shares to them."

The rest promptly calmed down at her words.

Those who were talking earlier quietened down and gazed at her curiously, for they were unsure what she meant.

"You can doubt me, but I won't allow you to doubt Henry or my husband," Charlotte announced haughtily. "I believe you know Henry's will. Before his death, he left everything to his great-grandchildren, and I am their mother. That means I'm their guardian for now. My husband has also transferred his shares and assets to me. You should know that they are smart and capable enough to avoid being controlled by a woman. Why can't you trust their decisions? Instead of seeing what I can do, you immediately found fault with me. What will you gain from kicking me out? If Nacht Group is in a mess, who will take charge? Kallum?"

At her explanation, everyone swiveled around to stare at Kallum.

Spencer was beaming inwardly. Good job for turning the target to Kallum! She successfully made everyone assume that Kallum is creating trouble because he's ambitious enough to take over the president's position.

Kallum's expression changed drastically as he hurriedly explained, "That wasn't what I meant! I only want the best for Nacht Group and the Nacht family. The Lindbergs are our enemy. I did nothing wrong by questioning you!"

"You can question me, but instigating the others isn't the right thing to do," came Charlotte's cool answer. "This isn't our company's anniversary. I didn't receive any reminder in advance, but thirteen board members from the headquarter turned up in H City. What about your jobs? This is a clear threat."

"No, don't make things up."

"You know what you did," Charlotte said harshly. "Everyone here is smart enough to know that."

"How dare—"

"Let me repeat myself." Charlotte swung around to face the rest of the board members. "Those who want to leave can sign on the resignation letter. I'll approve it without further delay!"

The other board members exchanged looks without saying anything.

Some of them hung their heads low in order to avoid being named.

In fact, none of them wanted to leave. To become a board member or upper management in Nacht Group was a dream come true for most of them.

"Kallum." Charlotte turned to look at Kallum.

"Why? Are you going to force me to resign?" Kallum rebutted in a fit of rage. "Impossible! I've been working in Nacht Group for thirty years and I deserve credit for my efforts! I won't leave!"

"I'm glad you'll stay." A grin appeared on Charlotte's lips as her tone grew soft. "We can still be a family if you stay. The outside world is waiting for something to happen to Nacht Group after Zachary went missing. We should work together to face our enemies together!"

The tension within the room quickly dissipated.

Besides giving Kallum an out, she also exuded warmth as though everyone here was part of the family facing the same problem.

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Chapter 1479 Success

Spencer was impressed by Charlotte's actions.

At the same time, Johann finally understood what she was getting at.

"Of course, I need to answer Kallum's questions." Charlotte's voice was gentle now.

"First, I'd like to clarify that I'm just the acting president of Nacht Group. When Zachary returns or the company's operation resumes to normal, I'll leave without taking a cent," she revealed.

The board members relaxed visibly at her words.

"Second, when I'm in charge, Nacht Group will never merge with another company. There's no way it will be taken over by someone else, for example, my brother Danrique Lindberg!"

The shareholders exhaled in relief, for that was what they were worried about.

Danrique was famous for his ruthless actions, so they were afraid he'd take the opportunity of Charlotte's position to take Nacht Group away from them.

"Third, when I'm in charge of Nacht Group, Mr. Spencer and Mr. Sterk will have to give their stamps of approval before I am to make any important decisions. Thus, you don't have to worry that I'm incapable or being reckless."

There was no mistaking the delight on the board members' faces.

"Note them down, Mr. Williams. Prepare an agreement, and the rest shall be our witnesses!" Charlotte ordered.

"Got it, Mrs. Nacht," answered Rodney with a nod.

"Anything else to object?" Charlotte turned to face the rest of the board members. "If you do, state it now. We can discuss it together!"

"That's it," someone answered. "I think this is good enough."

"I have something to say." Right then, Johann spoke up. "Everyone, you may not know Mrs. Nacht well, but I have witnessed how she got together with Mr. Nacht until now. I trust her character. Though Nacht Group is facing a slight problem, Mr. Lindberg left a lot of money to her before his accident. She is operating a lucrative business, so there's no need for her to take over Nacht Group's mess. She could've lived a great life with her children. But why did she take the risk of taking over this hot potato? Part of it is for her children, but mostly it's because she loves Mr. Nacht. Mr. Nacht left the entire family and company in her hands, so we need to trust his decision. We have to help Mrs. Nacht, just as we helped him to develop Nacht Group!"

"That's right!" Spencer nodded. "Even if you have no trust in an outsider, you trust me, right? I've been working for Mr. Henry Nacht since I was nine, and it has been eighty years since. I don't have any private assets or pursuits as I only hope

to protect the Nacht family. Now, I'm sitting here because Mr. Henry told me to take care of Mr. Zachary before he died, and Mr. Zachary told me to protect his wife, just as how I protected Mr. Henry. I believe Mrs. Nacht will lead Nacht Group well. Remember, many outsiders are targeting us, so we can't have an internal conflict!" His tone was sincere.

"You're right. We'll do our best to be of help," the board members immediately offered.

They were Henry's men who trusted Spencer greatly.

Charlotte's words had convinced them, so they had no reason to disagree with Spencer.

Divine Corporation's employees were already on Charlotte's side. The ones from other regions promptly agreed to support her after hearing the headquarter's stance.

Though Kallum was indignant, he couldn't keep arguing, for that would only serve to increase the others' suspicion. He had no choice but to agree to stay in his position and do his job well.

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Chapter 1480 Impressed

The board meeting ended in a peaceful manner. Before leaving, Charlotte gave Kallum some assurance to pacify him.

His pride restored, Kallum strode off.

After the meeting, Johann and Spencer came to the president's office to talk to Charlotte.

She was busy signing some documents. "Mr. Sterk, Mr. Spencer, you're here!" She looked up briefly to greet them.

"Give us three minutes to talk to you," requested Johann with a pleasant smile.

"All right. Take a seat. I'll be with you right after I finish signing these documents."

Charlotte returned to her work, while Lupine ushered them to their seats and prepared hot tea for them.

Lucy soon came in with more documents, but Charlotte put her pen down and pinched the bridge of her nose. "These shall wait. I need to talk to Mr. Sterk and Mr. Spencer."

"Sure!" Lucy got her a cup of coffee.

Taking her seat on the couch, Charlotte flashed a shy smile. "I'm sorry. It's been pretty busy lately..."

"Thank you," Spencer said apologetically. "I've always thought of you as a young lady, but you changed my mind today."

"Yes. Back when I was a secretary at level 68, you were totally different," Johann remarked.

"Pfft!" A crimson red crept up Charlotte's cheeks. "Did you drink the chip placed accidentally in your cup?" she joked.

Johann laughed heartily at her joke, and Spencer soon joined in.

This was the first time they had laughed after what happened back at Southridge.

Today, they had won the battle, and it was a good start.

They had to deal with the internal threat first before focusing on the external threat.

Now that the internal conflict had been resolved, they could focus on their rivals.

"Actually, I knew that all along, but I never got the chance to show it. Now that I think of it, Danrique has protected me too well. He taught me a lot but never gave me the chance to face difficulties alone," Charlotte lamented.

"Danrique is a business whiz. He taught you well." Johann gave his honest opinion.

"That was my first experience dealing with such a problem," Charlotte revealed with a grin. "I only used a basic trick and resolved the problem easily. It proves that the board members didn't want to kick up a fuss. They only wanted to know my attitude and determination."

"You're right." Spencer was pleased. "Though they tried to put you in a tight spot, they are loyal to Nacht Group. After all, they used to work for Mr. Henry. Back when Mr. Henry got sick, he had eliminated those questionable employees. He also did a cleanup when Mr. Zachary got sick, too. The ones left behind don't have any outstanding issues, including Kallum. He may be reckless and competitive, but there's nothing wrong with his character. I was worried you'd unleash a killing spree, but you surprised me with your decision and vision. I must say I'm impressed!"

Charlotte chuckled. "I'm not the same now. Don't worry. There are more surprises to come."

"Thank you. Thank you so much!" Though Spencer had a lot in mind, he could only express his gratitude.

"I'm here at Divine Corporation, so you don't have to worry," Johann said. "Though we've gained their support, you need to be extra careful in some matters. We'll always be here if you need us."

"Thank you!" Charlotte nodded gratefully. "Let's work hard to overcome this obstacle."

"Yes, let's do that." Spencer and Johann bobbed their heads in agreement. "We'll leave you to your work now."

After leaving her office, they shared a smiling look before sighing in relief.