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Chapter 1653 Contingent Situation

Charlotte was about to send Danrique a text when the latter called. "I'd heard, Danrique," she said, picking up at once. "Thank you!"

"There's no need to thank me." Danrique sounded as aloof as ever. "When this business with the Nachts is resolved, you are to return to Erihal at once."

"Danrique-"

"One more thing," Danrique interrupted, with zero regards for Charlotte's protests. "When Francesca shows herself, capture her at once. Don't let her get away. Do you understand ?"

"What's going on between you and Francesca, Danrique?" Charlotte asked after an initially startled pause.

"None of your business. Get it done!" Danrique echoed Francesca at the mention of her name before hanging up.

Charlotte gazed at her phone dejectedly.

Soon, Sean called her again. "Ms. Lindberg, I am not to come over to you, after all. If you would hand over all of the leads you have, I shall begin my investigation. I'll let you know if I find anything."

"All right, I'll have Lupine forward it to you," Charlotte answered as she gestured at her bodyguard, who nodded and complied immediately.

"By the way, Sean," Charlotte said, seized by a sudden thought. "Is Danrique hurt?"

"How you did you know that?" Sean asked at once.

"He really is, isn't he?" Charlotte exclaimed. "No wonder he was so anxious to locate Francesco! Is it serious?"

"Not exactly, although that's not true. Actually, it's nothing to worry about."

Sean sounded conflicted as he was not sure what he was allowed to reveal. "The point is," he concluded after much hesitation, "that Mr. Lindberg needs Francesco urgently. Once she shows herself, you must inform me. I shall take her back to Erihal."

"I understand." Charlotte shifted guiltily. "I was thinking of having her treat Zachary, but I did not expect Danrique to get injured at the same time. That was selfish of me."

"Not at all," Sean said quickly. "Mr. Nacht had been in graver danger. It was the right thing to do to have Francesco treat him first. Besides, Mr. Lindberg's predicament is not particularly life-threatening. It's just-"

"Just what?" Charlotte asked at once.

"I can't say," Sean replied with a nervous cough.

Charlotte did not pursue the matter further at his extreme reluctance to discuss the subject. "Thank you in advance for all of your efforts to rescue my son."

"No matter. We're a family."

After hanging up, Charlotte hastened to meet Bruce to alter their plans after learning of the new developments from Sean. After Lupine had forwarded the information as was requested, she returned to report to Charlotte. "Sean is going to follow another trail of evidence. Also, we have word that Chris has left for Fairlake."

"It looks like my instigation worked. Now that the venom is working its way into his body, he will be so uncomfortable that he's going to need a second opinion."

"That sounds like what he would do." Lupine heaved a sigh of relief. "Everything is going according to plan."

The knot in Charlotte's brows began to loosen. Suddenly, there was a call from Johann. "What is it, Mr. Sterk? It's rather late."

"I'd just received word that Jesse is meeting with the major shareholders to buy their shares at a premium."

"Nacht Group's shares?" repeated Charlotte, surprised. "They are in the minority, aren't they?"

"Though that's true," replied Johann anxiously, "Thirty of them adds up to a total of ten percent between them. Along with the twenty percent in Chris' hands, they already have enough to topple you."

"No wonder he didn't leave last night. He wanted me to get the shares without a hitch. Jesse is a wily old fox. I will try to persuade our shareholders not to sell to him, but it doesn't look too optimistic."

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(1) New Message!

Chapter 1654 Plan Falling Apart

"Yeah. With how unstable Nacht Group is right now, they won't even trust me and Chris. It is perfectly understandable that they would want to sell off their shares to stay away from trouble," Charlotte said.

"Yes, exactly..." Johann let out a sigh as he continued, "All I can do is try my best to convince them. You try and figure something out as well."

"You and Mr. Spencer both have shares on hand, right?" Charlotte asked when she suddenly thought of something.

"Spencer doesn't, but I have five percent. Even so, we'll still lose if they manage to purchase that ten percent," Johann replied.

"Understood. I'll think of something."

"Let's just focus on rescuing the child first. Everything can wait until the child is safe."

"Thank you."

After hanging up the phone, Charlotte furrowed her brows as she thought to herself.

Da*n... Just when I thought I finally have things under control at the company, more trouble arises... Well, I don't have time to worry about that now. I have to first save Robbie.

"It's about to rain, and that will greatly hinder the investigation... I wonder how Robbie is doing right now..." Lupine began to worry when she saw the weather outside. "By the way, I just got off the phone with Sean earlier. He said Mr. Lindberg has ordered him to rescue Robbie within three days, so he has mobilized all of the men to search for Robbie. I'm sure it won't be long before they find something." "That's great! I hope we'll hear some good news soon!" Charlotte exclaimed happily.

After a whole night of raining heavily, the sky was finally clear the next morning.

Charlotte spent the entire night looking for Robbie, so she didn't sleep a wink. She was about to take a nap when she got a call from Lucy.

"That guy has called for another board meeting tomorrow at three in the afternoon, Ms. Lindberg."

"What does he want?" Charlotte asked in confusion.

Chris should've received the report of his analysis by now. If he has been poisoned, he should go confront Jesse directly about it. Why would he call for a board meeting?

"We just received word about it, so I'm not sure about that. All the directors are preparing to come over. Mr. Sterk asked me to inform you."

"Okay, got it."

Charlotte was feeling a little uneasy after hanging up the phone. Her train of thoughts was interrupted when Raina's call came in all of a sudden. "Jesse has Chris under his control."

"So soon? Did it happen right after he got his lab report?" Charlotte asked.

"I believe so. Although Jesse didn't stop him from getting tested in Fairlake, he had someone tail him the whole time. Chris was livid after he received the report. He got taken away by men from the Gold family before he could do anything," Raina replied. "Looks like I really overestimated him..." Charlotte exclaimed in disappointment.

I thought Chris would at least be able to put up a fight against Jesse after finding out about his poisoning, but he ended up getting captured immediately after... I bet Jesse forced him into calling for this board meeting too!

"What should we do, Ms. Lindberg?" Raina asked.

"Chris must've fallen out with Jesse now that he knows he has been poisoned. Even if he can't do much at the moment, he can at least cause Jesse some problems, and that will be beneficial to us. Jesse no longer has full control over Chris like before. I'm sure Chris will expedite the execution of his plan, so all we have to do is wait and see. Something is bound to happen in the afternoon!" Charlotte deduced.

"Do we have to do anything ?" Raina asked.

"What we have to do is stop the directors from selling their shares to Jesse. Of course, we also have to rescue Robbie..."

"Understood. I'll see if Mr. Sterk and Mr. Spencer need help with anything."

"All right, thanks."

After hanging up the phone, Charlotte checked the time and saw that there were still thirty-eight hours left until three o'clock in the afternoon tomorrow.

The situation is unfavorable for Jesse right now. I've taken twenty percent of the shares, and Chris is no longer loyal to him. With his plan falling apart, this board meeting tomorrow will be our final showdown!

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Chapter 1655 Finally Able To Move

Robbie isn't rescued yet, and I have to return to H City tomorrow morning. That means Danrique's plan won't work because I'd have to rescue Robbie before three in the afternoon tomorrow, and failure to do so will result in me losing this battle!

With that in mind, Charlotte grew incredibly anxious and gave Sean a call to explain the situation.

Although a little troubled, Sean said, "Mr. Lindberg has ordered me to rescue Robbie within three days, so you're basically requesting for things to be preponed by a day. It's going to be quite difficult, but I'll try my best to get it done."

"Thanks. I'll see if I can stall for more time," Charlotte replied.

"All right."

Charlotte contacted Johann and Spencer immediately after getting off the phone. The two of them were trying their best to convince the directors to not sell off their shares.

Charlotte asked if they could try to postpone the board meeting, and they both said it would be very hard as she hadn't cashed out her shares. Even if she did, it would still take some time to be verified and validated.

As such, "Zachary" was the one who called the shots in Nacht Group at the moment.

Even though his power had been limited due to the changes in his shares, it was still within his power to call for a board meeting. Charlotte was shocked to find out that she could only hope for Sean to rescue Robbie as soon as possible.

She began checking the news after hanging up and saw that the Gold family had hosted a press conference to announce Zachary and Nancy's wedding.

"Zachary" even confirmed that news on camera in front of all the journalists.

Looks like Jesse is getting impatient. He might even have Chris and Nancy register their marriage before the board meeting... Though it is technically Chris who will be getting married, he is still pretending to be Zachary at the moment. Unfortunately, there's nothing I can do to stop all of this from happening unless I save Robbie...

Charlotte frowned in displeasure at the thought of that.

Suddenly, Lupine came rushing in and said excitedly, "Ms. Lindberg, I've just gotten a call from Morgan. He told me that Ben is awake."

"Really? So soon?" Charlotte exclaimed in shock.

"Yeah! I didn't think he'd wake up so soon either! He's still very weak at the moment, but he was able to wave his hand and talk to me on video call earlier!" Lupine was so happy that she nearly cried tears of joy.

Charlotte gave her a pat on the shoulder. "This is great! You should head back right away. It is times like these that he needs you the most."

"No way! What will you do if I'm gone?" Lupine asked worriedly.

"I've got Emma to look after me, remember? You should hurry up and get a move on. Use this opportunity to ask Ben what happened before he lost consciousness. Talk to the police and find out if we can file a lawsuit against Chris with Ben's testimony."

"Understood. I'll be on my way now."

Lupine was so excited that she bolted right out of the room after saying that, much to Charlotte's relief.

Everything is ready now. All that's left is to rescue Robbie, and we will be good to go. I wonder how things are with Zachary... Ben was able to wake up so quickly thanks to Francesco's help, so what about him? Has he recovered as well?

"Dr. Felch's prescription really is effective! He is able to move his arm in just one day of medication!" Francesca exclaimed happily when she saw that Zachary was able to move his arm.

"My body doesn't feel as stiff as it was before!" Zachary said excitedly. It took him a lot of effort just to make very slight movements, but it was enough to give him hope.

Francesca nodded in satisfaction at her achievement. "Very well then. We'll increase the dosage tonight. Who knows, you might be able to lift your entire arm up by tomorrow!"

"Help me up. I'll see if I can sit upright."

Zachary had grown sick and tired of lying down all the time.

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Chapter 1656 The Father Of My Child

"I don't think that'll be happening so soon. Don't rush it," Francesca said while preparing the medicine.

"At least let me try..." Zachary insisted.

"All right."

Francesca wasted no time arguing and pushed Zachary up violently with her foot.

"Hey! Can't you be a little gentler... Argh!"

Zachary fell back down on the bed before he could even finish his sentence. The pain was so intense that he was gasping for air.

"I told you. It won't be happening so soon." Francesca ignored his protests and carried on preparing the medicine.

"How does someone so hot-tempered like you become a doctor?" Zachary exclaimed in anger and frustration as he lay on the bed.

"I'm no ordinary doctor." Francesca wasn't bothered by his insults in the slightest.

Realizing that it was pointless to depend on her, Zachary tried to get up on his own instead. However, his body was so stiff and weak that he couldn't even sit upright.

After several attempts, Zachary was finally able to make some progress, only to fall back down again.

Even so, he didn't give up and kept on trying as hard as he could.

Right when he was about to fall down again, Zachary felt something furry catching him from behind.

He turned around in shock and saw that it was that disabled old wolf.

The old wolf then leaned against his back and helped push him up with its body.

Zachary quickly tried to sit upright with this newfound assistance but to no avail. Thankfully, it didn't hurt as much when he fell backward as he had the soft body of the old wolf to cushion his fall.

Even so, Zachary refused to give up and mustered all of his strength as he tried again.

This time, he was finally able to sit upright. Although he was still rather unstable and could fall over anytime, it was still a significant progress for him.

"I did it! I managed to sit upright!" Zachary shouted excitedly.

Francesca turned around and froze in surprise when she saw what had happened. "My goodness! What an impressive display of determination!" she exclaimed after regaining her composure seconds later.

Zachary was panting heavily and sweating all over, but he refused to give up. "Increase the dosage. I have to return to the office and attend that board meeting tomorrow!"

"Tomorrow? But you haven't recovered from your illness! Wouldn't everyone find out about it if you return so soon? I won't be going to Northridge with you, so how will you continue with your treatment?" Francesca asked in shock. "I can't afford to wait any longer or the company will be destroyed! You won't be able to get your payment if I go bankrupt!" Zachary was hell-bent on heading back.

"Then you must go and protect your wealth!" Francesca responded quickly.

"You will have to come with me when I return to the office tomorrow. Maybe you can do a disguise so people won't find out about your identity," Zachary said.

Francesca rolled her eyes at him. "I don't care if people find out. I just don't want the Lindberg family to come after me, that's all."

Zachary knew what she was concerned about. "I won't let Danrique's men take you away from me. You have my word on that."

"Your word? How are you able to guarantee anything when you're paralyzed below your waist? Are you even capable of going against Danrique in your current state?" Francesca asked with a chuckle.

"I may not be able to beat him in a fistfight, but I have the upper hand when it comes to schemes and strategies."

In order to test her, Zachary added, "Besides, H City is my territory!"

Francesca grew displeased the moment she heard that. "Pfft! You have no idea what Danrique is capable of! Do you really think he's as dumb as you make him out to be? He's a very smart man!" she snapped back at him with a stern look on her face.

Zachary's lips curled into a smile. "Seems to me you don't hate him all that much. So, it's okay for you to yell at him, but you won't let anyone else underestimate him?"

Francesca arched an eyebrow at him. "Of course! He's the father of my child!"