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She must have money to spare. This time, when we go to Valmere, we should make sure to get our share from her."

A gleam sparkled in Julissa's eyes as she maintained her gentle demeanor.

"Rest assured, Wyatt. Hannah is a sensible girl. She won't disregard her own family's predicament."

Upon arriving at her apartment, Hannah's phone rang. It was Rocco on the line.

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"Is something wrong? Have the Moore family been sniffing around for you lately?"

"No, I'm just thinking about heading back to the city," Rocco replied, his voice tinged with nonchalance.

Hannah pushed her hair behind her ear and settled onto the couch.

"The Moore family hasn't stopped searching for me. It's risky for you to come here."

"I'm aware you're staying in Autumngami Cove," Rocco said, gripping his phone composedly.

"I had Janet secure the apartment right beneath yours."

"Rocco, what have you done?"

Rocco's voice remained impassive.

"I knew you wouldn't approve, so I chose to act first and tell you afterward."

Frustrated yet resigned, Hannah knew there was little she could do about Rocco's ingrained stubbornness. Her best course of action was to slowly help him adapt to society.

Maybe his move wasn't entirely a bad thing.

Choosing to see the silver lining, Hannah nodded.

"I'll come get you."

"No need. Janet and I will move quietly. You being seen could cause issues."

"Fine, just be cautious."

"Will do."

Hannah then weighed her remaining vacation days. The time allotted by the school fell short of what she'd need to travel overseas for her thesis and graduation certificate. She chose for international express delivery instead.

When she resumed teaching, her students showered her with small tokens of appreciation.

Back in her office, she discovered her thesis had already been published on the school's website. Grace had even advocated for her on the school forum, making her an overnight sensation among the staff and students.

Hannah was baffled. She'd only been away for a few days and had no clue how the rumor had spiraled so quickly.