

## PAW 1231

Chapter 1231: Xie Family's eldest grandson-in-law

Hotel.

Hotel suite.

Shen Xiaoyan's Chief hung up before she could react. She was shocked by what her Chief said.

"Sis... Sis..." Shen Xiaomei called.

"Ah? Huh?" Shen Xiaoyan turned to her sister.

Shen Xiaomei asked. "What did Chief say?"

Shen Xiaoyan replied. "He says Xiao Dong is reliable."

Shen Xiaomei paused for a second. "Reliable? Does this means Chief knows him?"

Shen Xiaoyan did not reply to her sister. She turned to Zhang Longjuan. "Sorry, Ms. Zhang. I must ask my Chief. I apologize if I caused trouble for you and Mr. Dong." Zhang Longjuan asked her not to talk about Dong Xuebing, and Dong Xuebing saved her and her sister. She felt bad for informing her higher-up about him.

Zhang Longjuan smiled. "It is your duty to report to your superior. It's fine if you tell him about Xiao Dong. You did not tell him about his combat powers, and I am grateful for that."

Shen Xiaoyan paused for a while and asked. "What is Mr. Dong's name?"

Zhang Longjuan laughed. "Didn't you hear it from your superior?"

Shen Xiaoyan looked at her. "Is he Dong Xuebing?"

Zhang Longjuan nodded. "Yes. Haha... this brat seems to be notorious."

Shen Xiaoyan asked. "What did he do previously? Even my department head knows him."

Zhang Longjuan shrugged her shoulders. "Hah... You got to ask him. I don't know the details." Her lips were tight.

Shen Xiaomei asked. "What else did Chief say?"

Shen Xiaoyan smiled awkwardly. "Chief says he needs to inform his higher-up after hearing Dong Xuebing is with us."

"What?" Shen Xiaomei was shocked. "Why does Chief need to report to his higher-up at his level?"

Shen Xiaoyan looked towards the bedroom. "I don't know. That was what Chief said."

Even their Chief cannot decide and must inform his higher-up. Who is Dong Xuebing? Why are the State Security Leaders so concerned about him?

Five minutes...

Ten minutes...

Ring... ring... ring... Shen Xiaoyan's phone rang again.

Shen Xiaoyan looked at the number and answered quickly. It is her Chief. "Chief."

The middle-aged man asked. "Tell me in detail about Dong Xuebing's injury and condition."

Shen Xiaoyan thought for a while and said. "His left hand is broken, and he has a hairline fracture on his left leg. He has many bruises and cuts all over his body and has multiple muscle pulls. He also has some deep wounds on his chest. However, he seems to be fine. His body is strong, and he is in a stable condition."

The middle-aged man thought for a while. "Hmmm..."

"Err... Chief..." Shen Xiaoyan said.

The middle-aged man replied after two seconds. "You still have a few days to complete your mission. Take care of Dong Xuebing and ensure his injuries do not worsen. If you can bring him to the hospital, you must ensure he stays there to check his wounds. You all can ask him after his injuries are stable. Check with him if he wants to come back. If he wishes to return, I will arrange for someone to fetch him."

Shen Xiaoyan gasped. "Fetch him?"

The middle-aged man replied. "His identity is special. Don't ask anymore and do as I say."

Special identity?

What do you mean by special identity?

Shen Xiaoyan took a deep breath. She does not understand how special Dong Xuebing is. Why is the State Security willing to send someone to bring him back, and why are they so concerned about his injuries? Even a Bureau Chief level leader does not have such treatment, let alone a civil servant. She calmed down and said. "I understand. But... what if he does not want to return? He is very concerned about Ms. Zhang's safety. Should my sister and I send him to the airport?"

The middle-aged man paused for a while and said. "Both of you cannot do anything if he does not want to return."

Shen Xiaoyan replied. "He is injured, and he refused to go to the hospital. His injuries are scary. If you agree, we can subdue him when he is resting and send him back."

The middle-aged man replied helplessly. "The higher-ups want Dong Xuebing to return to the hospital. He is not Dong Xuebing if he can be subdued so easily by you and your sister. You should have seen his capabilities. Do you think you and your sister can subdue him?"

Shen Xiaoyan thought for a second. "We are not confident."

The middle-aged man laughed. "It is impossible. No one can bring him back if he doesn't want to leave. Even though he is injured, he is still Dong Xuebing. A sleeping tiger is still a tiger. I had heard of his stubbornness."

Shen Xiaoyan can confirm that her Chief knows about Mr. Dong's combat abilities and character. She and her sister are not confident they can suppress Dong Xuebing even when he is injured and sleeping.

“Then we...” Shen Xiaoyan asked.

“Let him do whatever he wants if he does not want to return.” The middle-aged man replied.

“But he wants to protect Ms. Zhang and our mission...” Shen Xiaoyan said.

The middle-aged man thought for a second and said. “The mission cannot be delayed. You can shake him off if necessary.”

“Huh? What if we cannot shake him off? I am scared he...”

“Handle it yourself. You can don’t consult me if you encounter special circumstances. That’s it. Be careful.”

Shen Xiaoyan tried to digest what her Chief said after hanging up.

Shen Xiaomei asked her sister, and she told them what their Chief said. Shen Xiaomei was also shocked.

Who exactly is Dong Xuebing?

Why is the Chief so concerned about him?

How do her leaders know him?

The twins do not know about Dong Xuebing because any news about him has been blocked. Only the top leaders of special departments like the State Security knows about him. They know he had saved many people during the earthquake, challenged Seoul’s Tae Kwon Do schools, killed a pirate group on the seas, and what happened at the US research facility.

Dong Xuebing does not know those leaders, but the State Security leaders know him.

This guy is the God of Plagues. He causes trouble wherever he goes, and State Security has to clean up after him.

Dong Xuebing...

Many top leaders of State Security have headaches when they hear of this name.

However, they had no choice. They must clean up after him because he is Senior Xie’s eldest grandson-in-law.

Chapter 1232: You are in an administrative role?

Night.

After 9 pm.

Dong Xuebing woke up and felt pain all over his body. He did not mind the pain and got up slowly.

Creak...

The door opened.

Zhang Longjuan giggled as she entered the room. She was holding a bowl of hot congee. “Oh, my handsome boy is awake.”

Dong Xuebing nodded. "This is..."

"I was about to wake up for dinner." Zhang Longjuan sat on the bed.

Dong Xuebing reached over to get the bowl of congee. "Thank you. I am starving. I have not eaten the whole day."

Zhang Longjuan turned towards Dong Xuebing, showing him her sexy thighs. "Stop moving. I will feed you."

"No need. I can move my right hand." Dong Xuebing felt awkward to have someone feed him.

"How are you going to eat with one hand? This congee is hot, and you cannot drink it from the bowl. All right. You don't need to be shy." Zhang Longjuan blew on a spoonful of congee with her red and sexy lips. Dong Xuebing could smell the fragrance of the congee and her breath. "Here, open your mouth. Ahhh..."

Dong Xuebing smiled to himself and opened his mouth.

"That's more like it. You are injured and should act like one." Zhang Longjuan fed him another spoonful of congee. "Here, eat a bit more. Good boy..."

"Huh? Stop treating me like a kid."

"Haha... My son should be around your age if I get married. You are a kid to me. Stop talking and open your mouth."

"Err... ok."

"How is it?"

"It's delicious. Did you get it from a restaurant?"

"I made it myself in the hotel's kitchen."

"Ah, why did you cook? You can get it from outside. I am fine with anything."

"Haha... those chefs are not as good as me. Finish it."

One mouthful...

Three mouthfuls...

Five mouthfuls...

Dong Xuebing leaned against the headboard and opened his mouth. He likes getting fed by a beautiful woman. However, he was distracted by Sis Zhang's sexy legs. He kept looking at her legs and body. She is hot, and she is facing him. He kept looking up her short skirt but could not see anything.

Dong Xuebing finished the congee.

Dong Xuebing smacked his lips. "It's delicious. Thank you, Sis Zhang."

Zhang Longjuan laughed. "What else do you want to eat? I will make it for you next time. But I only know Western cuisine. Besides congee, I don't know how to cook Chinese Cuisine."

"I have never eaten such delicious congee."

"You are so sweet... haha... I like."

Dong Xuebing felt some itch in his chest. He asked. "Can I smoke?"

Zhang Longjuan looked at Dong Xuebing. "How can you think of smoking in your condition?"

Dong Xuebing replied. "Err... Just one stick. Half a cigarette is fine too."

"You cannot smoke." Zhang Longjuan looked at Dong Xuebing's pathetic look and gave in. "I will allow you to have two puffs."

Zhang Longjuan lit a cigarette and took a few puffs. After that, she placed the cigarette before Dong Xuebing's face.

Dong Xuebing took a big drag. "Ahhh..."

Zhang Longjuan laughed and took another puff before sticking it into Dong Xuebing's mouth. The cigarette butt is wet with her saliva.

Both shared the cigarette.

Dong Xuebing was used to sharing a cigarette with Sister Zhang and was not embarrassed.

Knock... knock... knock...

Someone knocked on the door.

Zhang Longjuan said without turning. "Come in. It is not locked."

Shen Xiaoyan and Shen Xiaomei entered the room and were choked by cigarette smoke. They were speechless when they saw Zhang Longjuan smoking with Dong Xuebing. How can someone smoke in that condition?

Shen Xiaoyan quickly said. "Ms. Zhang."

Shen Xiaomei said. "He should not be smoking."

Zhang Longjuan took the cigarette from Dong Xuebing and placed it between her sexy lips. "All right. I am not letting him smoke anymore."

Shen Xiaoyan said. "The higher-ups ordered us to look after Mr. Dong. He is severely injured. You..."

Dong Xuebing interrupted. He is puzzled. "Your higher-ups? Which higher-up ask you to look after me?"

Shen Xiaoyan replied. "Our department's Chief. He asked us to look after you."

Dong Xuebing felt helpless. "Your Chief knows me? Oh, did you inform my family members?"

"I don't think so. I am not sure." Shen Xiaoyan looked at Dong Xuebing. "Your family is..." Her Chief had mentioned Dong Xuebing's family and his identity. But he did not tell them the details.

Dong Xuebing did not reply, and he checked his phone. There were no missed calls. Someone would call him if his family members heard about this. The State Security leader did not inform the Xie family. Although he is from the Xie family, State Security did not have any dealings with them. Also, no one was killed in this afternoon's incident.

Great...

Dong Xuebing is scared his family members will scold him. He had 'fallen' from a building and did not want to be involved in another incident.

Dong Xuebing changed the topic.

The sisters did not ask when they saw Dong Xuebing and did not want to discuss it.

Zhang Longjuan finished her cigarette and snubbed it. "How are you feeling, Xiao Dong? Can you move?"

"Yes. I feel better now. Why?" Dong Xuebing asked.

Zhang Longjuan replied. "We are going back to our hotel. Our luggage and items are there, and we can buy medication on our way back."

Dong Xuebing blinked. "We injured so many hooligans this afternoon. I think they should be searching for us now."

Shen Xiaoyan replied. "They will find us if they want. It's fine now. The higher-ups had sent someone to deal with the aftermath. We don't need to worry about anything now."

"What about the police?"

"It's settled."

"All right. Let's go. But you all might need to help me."

"No problem. I borrowed a wheelchair. Let me push you."

"Go ahead. I will push our handsome boy."

Handsome boy... handsome boy... Dong Xuebing was blushing.

Zhang Longjuan pushed Dong Xuebing into the elevator. Shen Xiaoyan and Shen Xiaomei walked close to them to protect them. Although the higher-ups said they would settle this incident, they must remain vigilant.

Inside the car.

The Mercedes went onto the roads.

Shen Xiaoyan, sitting in the front passenger seat, turned and looked at Dong Xuebing. "Mr. Dong, the higher-ups want you to stabilize your injuries and return as soon as possible."

Dong Xuebing pretended not to hear her.

Shen Xiaoyan repeated in a serious tone.

Dong Xuebing looked at her and said. "I told you all why I am here. I am here to protect Sis Zhang and will not leave until she goes."

Shen Xiaoyan replied. "The threatening letter incident is settled."

Dong Xuebing shook his head. "This incident is over, but no one knows who Liu Ye is. Why is he targeting Sis Zhang? What grudges does he have with Sis Zhang? Who knows what might happen after I leave? Even if your people will handle it, you all are still on a mission. I don't know what mission it is, but I know it must be dangerous. The three of you are doing this mission, and I overheard you all are doing it without any support. How can I leave?"

Zhang Longjuan laughed. "My lovely brother dotes on me."

Shen Xiaoyan frowned. "Then what do you want, Mayor Dong?"

Dong Xuebing replied. "Sis Zhang must leave with me if I am returning."

Shen Xiaoyan said. "But we will be doing our mission in a few days. It will be dangerous."

Dong Xuebing replied. "Do you think I will be scared of danger?"

Shen Xiaoyan was dumbfounded. She knows the other party will be in danger if anything happens during their mission. Dong Xuebing will never be in danger. "But this is our State Security mission. How are we going to work if you remain beside Ms. Zhang? We are grateful to you for saving us, but we cannot allow you to be around during our mission."

Dong Xuebing said. "I will protect Ms. Zhang and not get involved with your mission. You all can do your mission, and I will protect her. There's no conflict."

"How am I going to tell my higher-up?"

"Tell them the truth. I worked in State Security Bureau before. Although it was an administrative role, it is the same organization as you. I had passed the screenings, and you don't need to worry about anything." Xie Family's son-in-law, Dong Xuebing, does not need screening. The Xie Family is a 'red' family (Political family) whose interest is tied to the country. Their family members will never betray the country. That's why Shen Xiaoyan's Chief told her Dong Xuebing is reliable.

The twins caught something.

Dong Xuebing worked for State Security before.

He was an administrative staff.

Shen Xiaoyan and Shen Xiaomei were shocked.

You are a civil servant! But how can you hold an administrative role with your skills?

Which administrative staff can fight like you?

Chapter 1233: Scared of Xiao Dong

Night.

Hotel. Presidential Suite.

Shen Xiaoyan continued to persuade Dong Xuebing, but the latter refused to leave. He will not leave without Zhang Longjuan.

“Mr. Dong.”

“You don’t need to say anymore.”

“Why are you... sigh...”

“Sorry, I will not give in.”

“You are making this difficult for me.”

Zhang Longjuan was yawning and smoking when she turned and smiled suddenly. “Let Xiao Dong stay. I know him well. He can keep secrets. We don’t need to hide anything from him as he worked in the State Security Bureau before. Also, we don’t need to worry about our safety with him around. Haha...”

Shen Xiaoyan replied. “It’s not that simple. This is a State Security Bureau mission, and Mr. Dong is no longer with State Security. Even though he worked in the bureau before, he was an administrative staff. He handles administrative work and does not have access to our missions.”

Zhang Longjuan retorted. “I am also not a State Security member.”

Shen Xiaoyan replied. “You are different. The higher-up appointed you for this mission.”

Zhang Longjuan laughed. “It’s the same. If I can be here, so can Xiao Dong. You all are too rigid.”

“This is our regulation.”

“People set rules, and I am in charge of this mission.”

“The higher-ups told us to follow your orders, but we cannot agree to let Mr. Dong join this mission. It is against our protocol.” Shen Xiaoyan said. “The higher-up did mention he is reliable, but this is not an overseas mission. Many rules bound us.”

Dong Xuebing looked at her. “Do you think I will leak your mission?”

Shen Xiaoyan shook her head. “I know you will not betray us, but rules are rules.”

Zhang Longjuan said. “All right. How about you call your Chief and seek his permission?”

Shen Xiaoyan hesitated for a second and nodded. She sighed. “All right.”

If someone else insisted on joining their mission, Shen Xiaoyan and her sister would forcefully stop that person. They cannot allow outsiders to participate in their missions. But it is Dong Xuebing. He eliminated twenty hooligans despite his injuries, and the twins know they were not his match.

Ring... ring...

Shen Xiaoyan walked away to make the call. “Chief.”

The middle-aged man asked. “What is it?”

Shen Xiaoyan replied. "Mr. Dong is awake, and I told him what you said. He insists on staying with us to protect Ms. Zhang."

"Let Ms. Zhang speak to him."

"But... Ms. Zhang wants him to stay."

"Nonsense!"

"That's why I am seeking your advice."

"This is an important mission. How can you bring an outsider along?"

"I think so too. But Mr. Dong refused."

"Didn't I tell you to handle the situation?"

Shen Xiaoyan knows what her Chief means. He is asking them to ditch Dong Xuebing. If they cannot ditch him, they can drug him. However, Dong Xuebing saved her and her sister. She cannot do this to him.

"Chief."

"All right. Pass the phone to Ms. Zhang."

Shen Xiaoyan returned to Zhang Longjuan. "Chief wants to speak to you."

Zhang Longjuan was about to take the phone when Dong Xuebing reached for it.

Shen Xiaoyan has quick reflexes. She quickly turned her wrist and retracted her hand.

However, Shen Xiaoyan was facing Dong Xuebing. When she thought she had dodged Dong Xuebing's hand, she realized her hand was empty. She turned and looked at Dong Xuebing in shock. He was holding her phone. Even though he is severely injured and needs others to support him when he walks, he is still faster than most people.

Dong Xuebing answered the phone. "I am Dong Xuebing."

The middle-aged man frowned. "Where is Ms. Zhang?"

Dong Xuebing said calmly. "You don't need to ask Ms. Zhang to persuade me. You all should know me. No one can make me leave if I say I am not leaving."

The middle-aged man had a headache. "You are causing trouble for us."

"Who is causing trouble now?" Dong Xuebing does not care if the other party holds a higher rank. "Ms. Zhang made it clear she is not a State Security member and is only funding your missions. Is that not enough? How can you make her travel so far to do your mission? Luckily, I came here in time to save her. I don't care about your mission. It has nothing to do with me. But Sis Zhang is my friend, and I do not allow her to be in danger. I am warning you. I will not let you all off if anything happens to Sis Zhang because of this mission."

Most people who know Dong Xuebing will think he is hot-tempered. But those who understand him will know he does not get angry over trivial matters quickly. However, he is angry this time. If he arrived one day later, Liu Ye would have captured Zhang Longjuan. He can guess what would happen to her if it happened. Luckily, he was around and managed to save her. He was raging when he thought about it. He vented his anger on this Chief. She would not be in trouble if they did not ask Ms. Zhang to do this mission in Hong Kong.”

Shen Xiaomei and Shen Xiaoyan were shocked when they saw Dong Xuebing raising his voice at their Chief.

Zhen Longjuan looked at Dong Xuebing with a smile.

The middle-aged man got mad. “You dare to threaten us? Huh?”

Dong Xuebing replied. “You can think of it as a threat. You should know if I can do it.”

The middle-aged man’s head hurts more. “Although we asked Ms. Zhang to do this mission, we did not force her. She agreed to do it.”

“I don’t care. I had warned you.”

“Who are you to meddle with the State Security matters?”

“I have no right to meddle with the State Security’s mission. If anything happens to my friend, I will tear down the State Security. You can try if I mean it.”

The twin sisters were dumbfounded. Dong Xuebing is challenging State Security!

Shen Xiaoyan and Shen Xiaomei quickly called. “Mr. Dong.” They do not want to see Dong Xuebing offending the State Security’s higher-ups.

The middle-aged man was mad and amused by Dong Xuebing. This guy is unreasonable and would turn State Security upside-down if anything happened to Zhang Longjuan.

This Dong Xuebing...

He is a gangster, just like the rumors.

The middle-aged man had heard about Dong Xuebing, and this was their first interaction. He understood why people call him the God of Plagues and why his superiors have headaches when they hear his name.

There is nothing wrong with acting like a gangster or being unreasonable.

State Security will not have headaches because of these reasons.

But this unreasonable gangster is a government leader with superb combat skills, and the Xie Family is behind him.

They cannot suppress him or teach him a lesson. They cannot do anything to Dong Xuebing.

“I said what I wanted.” Dong Xuebing said. “I prefer to make things clear. Ok. I will pass the phone back to Sister Yan.”

Dong Xuebing returned the phone to Shen Xiaoyan.

Shen Xiaoyan took it. "Chief."

The middle-aged man kept quiet.

Shen Xiaoyan said cautiously. "Mr. Dong said those things because he is concerned for Ms. Zhang's safety. Err... our mission..."

The middle-aged man thought for a while. "Let him follow if he wants. You don't need to care about him."

"Let him follow us?"

"Just do what you are supposed to do. He can tag along if he wants."

"Huh? I understand. Should we tell him what our mission is?"

The middle-aged man said after a short pause. "You can tell him and let him be prepared. You two must watch him closely. Don't let him create any trouble. I am warning you as you all don't know about him."

Shen Xiaoyan said to Dong Xuebing after hanging up. "Chief says you can stay if you want."

Dong Xuebing nodded. He knows State Security will agree because of Xie Family.

However, Shen Xiaoyan and Shen Xiaomei noticed many details from this phone call. Dong Xuebing dared to raise his voice at a State Security Senior Leader, and the Chief gave in to his demands. The Chief is scared of him.

Why is their Chief scared of Dong Xuebing?

What happened?

Why is their Chief giving in to Dong Xuebing?

Chapter 1234: At Wit's end

Night.

After 11 pm.

The four people in the Presidential Suite stopped arguing after the phone call.

"It's late. You all can continue to chat. I am going to take a shower." Zhang Longjuan looked at the time and walked towards the bathroom gracefully. When she walked past Dong Xuebing, she leaned over and kissed his forehead suddenly.

Dong Xuebing was surprised.

Shen Xiaoyan and Shen Xiaomei were shocked.

Zhang Longjuan laughed and pinched Dong Xuebing's cheeks lightly. "This is your reward for worrying for me. Haha..." She was touched by Dong Xuebing getting mad with State Security's leader because of her.

"Huh?" Dong Xuebing touched his forehead.

A lipstick stain was imprinted on his forehead.

Dong Xuebing tried his best not to blush. He knows Zhang Longjuan's character. She is direct and open. Kissing on the cheeks and foreheads is nothing overseas.

Zhang Longjuan laughed and walked away. "I am going to take a shower."

The bathroom door closed, and they could hear Sis Zhang whistling and kicking her heels aside. She seemed to be undressing.

Dong Xuebing quickly wiped the lipstick stain with his sleeves.

Shen Xiaoyan said. "I need to go out for a while. Xiaomei, take care of Ms. Zhang. Oh, tell Mr. Dong about our mission. Since the Chief agreed to let Mr. Dong follow us, he should know what we will do. We cannot afford anything to go wrong."

"I understand, Sis."

"Be careful."

Shen Xiaoyan left the Presidential Suite.

Only Dong Xuebing and Shen Xiaomei remained in the living room. They could hear water sound from the bathroom. Sis Zhang had started her shower.

Dong Xuebing asked. "What mission is it?"

Shen Xiaomei sat opposite Dong Xuebing and said. "We came here to infiltrate a gambling ship."

"Are you referring to those gambling ships that operate in international waters?"

"Yes."

Dong Xuebing frowned. "Such activities are not secret. Why are you all so secretive?"

Shen Xiaomei paused for a second and said. "We don't care if it is an ordinary gambling ship. But this gambling ship is different. The scale is much bigger and more like a cruise ship."

"A gambling cruise ship?"

"Yes. It is the biggest illegal gambling ship in this area. The money involved is huge. It isn't easy to get on board. They will verify all guests' identities. This is why the high-ups asked Ms. Zhang to do this mission. We cannot get on board without her official identity. Can you remember we stopped at a commercial street this morning? My sister went there to register for Ms. Zhang. This is the first step. The gambling ship operators will check Ms. Zhang's identity, and we will be searched before we can get on board."

Dong Xuebing nodded. "Their scale and operation are quite big."

Shen Xiaomei replied. "This mission is not about the illegal gambling activities on board. We need to identify the boss behind the ship. This gambling ship appeared in Hong Kong a few months ago and suppressed all its competitors. We do not know who the boss is and where he is from. But we did receive information that this gambling ship might be engaging in spy activities. It is closely related to some foreign powers. Almost all the guests on board are big shots. You should know the

consequences if they are engaging in spy-related activities. Many big shots are involved, and the higher-ups must keep this mission confidential. That's why they only send us."

Dong Xuebing understood.

This is a serious matter if foreign organizations are involved. State Security must treat this seriously.

"What do you need to do?" Dong Xuebing asked.

Shen Xiaomei replied. "Infiltrate, investigate, and confirm the person's identity behind the scene."

"That's all? You all don't need to do anything else?" Dong Xuebing looked at her.

"Yes. We are the vanguard and not there to do anything. We have to confirm the illegal activities before State Security takes action. This might be a long mission, and the higher-ups cannot decide the next action."

"Is it dangerous?"

"We should be fine if we are careful."

"Ok. I understand the mission, but why did you all get Ms. Zhang to participate in this mission? I believe State Security have businessmen working for them."

Shen Xiaomei replied. "Ms. Zhang has a green card, and her businesses are overseas. Not many people here know her, and she can get on board without any worries. Most importantly, Ms. Zhang started her business from a casino and is good at gambling."

Is Sis Zhang good at gambling?

Dong Xuebing had heard about it but had never seen it.

Shen Xiaomei told Dong Xuebing some details and what they would do.

Dong Xuebing listened to Shen Xiaomei, and the water sound stopped. Zhang Longjuan finished showering. He asked. "I got one more question. Why did Ms. Zhang agree to do this mission."

Shen Xiaomei shook her head. "I don't know."

Dong Xuebing replied. "Are you hiding something from me?"

"I don't know." Shen Xiaomei hesitated and said. "Ms. Zhang spoke to the higher-ups, and I don't know what they discussed. You should ask her."

The bathroom door opened.

The living room suddenly smells good.

"Haha... what do you want to ask me?" Zhang Longjuan walked out in a bathrobe. She was smiling as she dried her hair with her towel.

Dong Xuebing asked. "I heard about this mission. It is dangerous. Why did you agree to do it?"

Dong Xuebing knew Zhang Longjuan had been unwilling to get involved in State Security missions.

Ring... ring... ring... Zhang Longjuan's phone rang.

Zhang Longjuan took her phone and said. "Let me answer this call first. Hello, it's me... Yes... I understand... I will think of a solution soon. Stall them for me. Yes... Don't worry. I will settle it." She threw her phone on the table and sat on the couch.

Dong Xuebing looked at her. "Sis Zhang."

"I got nothing to hide. Haha... I believe Old Xu had told you." Zhang Longjuan lit a cigarette. "My company does have some cash flow problems. Yes. I am facing some serious cash flow problems, and my company is facing bankruptcy. I applied for a loan, but it is not approved yet. I tried to borrow money from my family, but I told you before. I had separated my business from my family and had clashed with them. They are willing to help me with one condition. They want my company's shares which I cannot agree to."

Dong Xuebing frowned. "How is this possible? You have so many assets."

Zhang Longjuan replied. "The bigger your company is, the bigger the impact of cash flow issues. My company is facing bankruptcy and might be bought out. This is common. I am at my Wit's end. My company can continue running because I borrowed from my friends." She looked at the safe. "The five million USD in the safe is from selling my house and cars."

"You sold your house?" Dong Xuebing was shocked.

"Haha... yes. I mortgaged everything I have." Zhang Longjuan replied nonchalantly.

Dong Xuebing could tell Sis Zhang was on the verged of bankruptcy. "This..."

Shen Xiaomei was shocked. She did not expect Sis Zhang to be in financial difficulties.

Zhang Longjuan laughed. "I am penniless now. If my company close down, I will be in serious debt. I can never repay the debtors in my life. If that happens, I will look for you. Are you going to take care of me?"

Dong Xuebing replied. "Stop joking."

"I am not joking. This might be the end for me."

"How much do you need? I might be able to help."

Zhang Longjuan looked at Dong Xuebing and laughed. "You are a civil servant. How much can you have from your salary?"

Dong Xuebing thought for a second and said. "I should have tens of million. I can transfer to you tomorrow."

Tens of million RMB?

Shen Xiaomei was shocked.

Zhang Longjuan was also shocked. "You have tens of million RMB?"

Dong Xuebing nodded. "I won the lottery."

Zhang Longjuan laughed. "You surprised me again. But thanks for the offer. Your money is not enough."

"How much do you need?"

"At least two hundred million."

"I will give you fifty million RMB first and will think of a way to get the remaining."

Zhang Longjuan looked at Dong Xuebing and smiled. "I am talking about USD and not RMB."

Two hundred million USD?

That is over a billion RMB!

Dong Xuebing took a deep breath.

After listening to their conversation, Shen Xiaomei wants to jump out of windows. They were talking about tens of million RMB and above.

Ms. Zhang is a businesswoman, and it is normal.

But Dong Xuebing can lend her fifty million RMB without hesitation.

Who the hell is he?

Shen Xiaomei felt she could not join their conversation.

Chapter 1235: Do you accept disciples?

Inside the presidential suite.

It became quiet.

Over a billion RMB. This is an astounding amount.

Dong Xuebing could roughly guess Zhang Longjuan's company value. It should be worth around seven to eight billion RMB. A single woman created a successful business overseas from her winnings at a Macau casino. She even separated herself from her family to build her career. He could not imagine what hardships she had undergone. She is a legend, and she is facing her biggest hurdle now.

Over a billion RMB.

How can I get this amount?

Dong Xuebing could not help. He could not get it so fast, even if he could raise this amount.

If Zhang Longjuan could not get funds, her company would be gone.

Zhang Longjuan's successful business would be gone, and she will be in debt.

Dong Xuebing does not want this to happen. "Do you have ways to raise so much money?"

Zhang Longjuan smiled. "I don't have a foolproof plan, but I can try my luck. If I succeed, I can temporarily settle my company's financial issues."

Dong Xuebing asked. "What are you going to do?"

“This is why I came.” Zhang Longjuan replied.

Dong Xuebing paused for a second. “Are you going to gamble?”

Zhang Longjuan nodded. “That gambling ship is big. I heard from my friends that winning or losing a few million USD there is normal. Those are big players. The gambling ship will not allow guests without high net worth to board. I considered for a few days when State Security approached me, and I decided to try my luck. I mortgaged my houses and cars to raise some money. If I win tens of millions or a hundred million USD, I can solve some of my financial issues.”

Dong Xuebing was speechless. “But...”

Shen Xiaomei heard and said. “This is illegal.”

Although Zhang Longjuan started her business from her winnings at a casino, it was a legal casino. She paid the taxes, and those are not illegal funds. But this gambling ship is operating without a license. Gambling might be allowed on international waters, but the winnings are considered illegal funds.

Zhang Longjuan replied. “I know. I have spoken to your leaders. If we can complete our mission smoothly, they will disregard my winnings. They can even help me turn it into legal funds.”

Shen Xiaoyan was shocked. She did not expect her higher-ups to agree to such a condition.

Shen Xiaomei thought about it and did not say anything. Zhang Longjuan had donated tens of million USD to the State Security to fund their missions. State Security will repay her in times of need. However, Ms. Zhang must win first.

Dong Xuebing asked. “Are you good at gambling?”

Zhang Longjuan replied. “Not bad. I seldom lose.”

Dong Xuebing continued. “What if you lose?”

Zhang Longjuan laughed. “I will be bankrupted if I lose. Haha... State Security will not cover my losses as they don’t have the funds to do so.”

Dong Xuebing smacked his lips. “It is too risky.”

Zhang Longjuan replied. “I know. But I must take the risk. I cannot allow my company to collapse. I got no time. The call earlier was from my staff. We owed too much money, and they could not stall the debtors anymore.”

Dong Xuebing suggested. “How about you let your family help and think of other solutions later?”

Zhang Longjuan looked at Dong Xuebing. “They demanded 51% of my company. If I agree, they will own the company. I would rather let it be bankrupt.”

Zhang Longjuan is stubborn.

Her stubbornness is similar to Dong Xuebing.

Dong Xuebing did not say anything else. He understood how she felt. He would do the same in her situation. But his composure is far from Sis Zhang. She can continue to joke and laugh in her situation. He could not tell her problems if she did not tell him.

She can be composed because of her life experiences.

Dong Xuebing knew he could never do it.

Dong Xuebing stopped persuading her. "I wish you the best."

"Haha... thank you." Zhang Longjuan turned to Shen Xiaomei. "Although we had known each other for a few days, we were in danger and risked our lives together. I am telling you all this because you are my friend. Don't tell others about my agreement with your leaders. After all, this is nothing to be proud of."

Shen Xiaomei nodded. "I understand."

The State Security leaders had agreed, and she will not stop Zhang Longjuan.

Zhang Longjuan snubbed her cigarette. "All right. I don't know how much I can win. It's about luck. Let's not talk about me. Haha... Xiao Dong, how much did you win from the lottery? I remember the lottery's top prize in China is only five million RMB. What lottery lets you win tens of million RMB?"

Dong Xuebing replied. "I bought a few stakes."

"How many stakes?" Zhang Longjuan was curious.

Shen Xiaomei was also curious. She felt Dong Xuebing was full of surprises.

Dong Xuebing cleared his throat and mumbled. "About 100 hundred stakes."

One hundred stakes?

One hundred stakes of the lottery top prize?

Zhang Longjuan was amused. "Unbelievable."

Shen Xiaomei said. "You are that person who won 100 stakes of the two-colored ball lottery."

Dong Xuebing was surprised. "You know about it?"

"Of course. I watched the news too." Shen Xiaomei was speechless. "Are you that guy who won the 100 stakes? That is over 100 million RMB of prize money."

Who is this guy?

How is he so lucky?

Shen Xiaomei felt Dong Xuebing is amazing.

Dong Xuebing replied. "I spent some. I might help Sis Zhang a little if I did not spend some of my winnings."

Zhang Longjuan laughed. "I am grateful to you for having this intention. Not everyone is willing to lend fifty million RMB to others."

"We are friends."

"I acknowledged you as my younger brother. If I can get past this hurdle, you can ask me for help anytime. I will not reject you."

“Thank you. What can happen to me?”

“Haha... that’s right. There’s nothing you cannot solve.”

“Huh? I was too reckless. You think too highly of me.”

Midnight.

Shen Xiaoyan returned.

It was late, and Dong Xuebing and Zhang Longjuan returned to their rooms.

Shen Xiaomei told her sister about their conversation earlier. Of course, she also told her about Dong Xuebing winning one hundred stakes of the lottery top prize.

“One hundred stakes?” Shen Xiaoyan was shocked. She saw the news with her younger sister and remembered it clearly. “He was the one who won it.”

“Yes. He admitted.” Shen Xiaomei said. “Do you think he is lying?”

Shen Xiaoyan replied. “Do you think he will lie about it?”

“You are right. But why is he so lucky? He has good combat skills and marksmanship.”

“That’s why I say Mr. Dong is different. Didn’t you see our Chief’s attitude towards him? He is only a former State Security administrative staff. How can a State Security department head know him?” All subordinates know their leaders, but the leaders will not know all their men.

“Ah, Sis...”

“What is it?”

“Do you think... do you think he...”

Dong Xuebing walked out of his room suddenly when they were chatting. He looked at the twins and said. “I can’t sleep, and I am going to the bathroom. Carry on chatting.”

Dong Xuebing was about to walk to the bathroom when Shen Xiaomei called him. “Mr. Dong.”

“Ah?” Dong Xuebing looked at her. “What is it?”

Shen Xiaomei asked awkwardly. “Err... Do... Do you accept disciples?”

Dong Xuebing was puzzled. “Disciples? What disciples?”

Shen Xiaomei cleared her throat. “I... I want to learn how to dodge bullets from you.”

Dong Xuebing wiped his sweat. “I... I don’t know how to dodge bullets. Those hooligans have poor aiming today.”

Shen Xiaoyan looked at Dong Xuebing. “We can tell how amazing you are today.”

Shen Xiaomei added. “You had dodged at least seven bullets today. You cannot fool us.”

"It's luck." Dong Xuebing was scared of others talking about this. "Err... I don't accept disciples, and you are better than me. I got nothing to teach you. I... I am going to the bathroom."

"Please teach us, Mr. Dong." Shen Xiaomei insisted. "You can also tell us your trick. Also, why is your body so tough? Have you learned external Qi Gong?"

Shen Xiaoyan smiled. "I also want to learn."

"No... I was lucky too." Dong Xuebing replied. "I cannot hold it any longer. I need to use the bathroom."

The sisters were speechless.

Chapter 1236: The Twin Sisters' Passion

Next day.

Morning, 7 am.

The sky is bright, and the sun shines brightly through the windows.

Dong Xuebing woke up. He rubbed his eyes and started to look for his cigarette with his injured hand. Someone had hidden his cigarette, and he could not find it. He had no choice but to endure it. He took out his phone and made a few calls. He fears his family would look for him in Beijing if he did not call them.

Xu Yan...

Luan Xiaoping...

Xie Huilan...

Qu Yunxuan...

Dong Xuebing took half an hour to call them.

Dong Xuebing yawned and was about to get out of bed. Someone knocked on the door suddenly.

Knock... knock...

Dong Xuebing said. "Come in."

Shen Xiaoyan entered. "You are awake."

Dong Xuebing replied. "Yes. I am about to wash my face."

"Don't move." Shen Xiaoyan shouted. "Sis, bring two hot towels over."

"Eh, you don't need to do this."

"It's fine. You are injured and should not get up."

"I cannot let you do this. I can move and don't need..."

"Don't reject us. The higher-ups had ordered us to care for you."

Dong Xuebing felt uneasy and wanted to leave the room. But he had removed his clothes last night and could not leave bed with a woman in his room.

One minute later.

Shen Xiaomei entered the room with two hot towels.

Dong Xuebing thanked her. Before he could take the towels from her, Shen Xiaoyan took them. She wiped his face gently, and Shen Xiaomei wiped the other side with the other towel.

One left and one right.

Dong Xuebing was surprised by these two beautiful women's passion. He quickly stops them.

"Don't... don't... I will do it myself."

"Stop moving."

"We will do it for you."

The twins said and continued to wipe his face.

Dong Xuebing was uncomfortable.

He would not feel uncomfortable if it was Xie Huilan or Qu Yunxuan. He has known Shen Xiaomei and Shen Xiaoyan for one day, and they wipe his face for him.

After wiping Dong Xuebing's face.

Dong Xuebing quickly thanked them. "Thank you."

"Don't mention it." Shen Xiaomei kept the towel and looked at him. "Oh, Mr. Dong. How did you dodge the bullet? You can see where the gun is pointed, but how do you predict where the bullet will land? Any slight movements will cause the bullet to stray from its original trajectory. How can you be sure of the bullet's trajectory? How can you react so fast? Did you move before they opened fire? But you are severely injured."

Shen Xiaomei asked a lot of questions.

Dong Xuebing realized what they were trying to do. They want to learn from him.

Dong Xuebing quickly replied. "I moved blindly."

Shen Xiaomei continued. "You can dodge every shot. That's not moving mindlessly."

Ding dong... the doorbell rang. Shen Xiaoyan went out and returned with a bowl of hot congee. "I ordered it earlier. Ms. Zhang says you like it."

"Thank you."

"Here, let me feed you."

"I can eat by myself."

"You are injured. Let me do it."

Shen Xiaoyan started feeding Dong Xuebing carefully.

Dong Xuebing tried to stop her but to no avail.

Of course, Shen Xiaoyan will not let go of this opportunity. She asked while feeding him. "Let's not talk about dodging bullets. I don't think we can do it even if you teach us. But how did you train your external Qigong? Can you teach us? We promise to keep it a secret and will not teach others."

Shen Xiaomei added. "Yes. External Qigong."

Dong Xuebing was speechless. "I don't know any Qigong."

Shen Xiaoyan asked. "You don't know Qigong? Then how are you all right after getting hit by a truck?"

"I am not all right. I almost died from the blood loss."

"But you are alive." Shen Xiaomei said. "And you managed to fight those hooligans."

Dong Xuebing replied helplessly. "I don't know. I would teach you if I knew."

Shen Xiaomei saw him refusing to teach them, and she continued to ask. "Then what about winning the lottery? How did you win 100 stakes of the lottery jackpot? Are there any tricks to it?"

"Huh? There are no tricks."

"Then how did you win?"

"I told you. It's luck."

Shen Xiaomei was getting frustrated. "You kept saying it's luck. How can someone be so lucky? You are unwilling to tell us. Let's ignore him, Sis."

Shen Xiaoyan smiled and continued to feed Dong Xuebing.

Shen Xiaomei paused for a second and looked at Dong Xuebing. "I don't care. You must teach us something."

"I don't know."

"Who are you trying to fool? How can you beat up so many people if you don't know?"

"I was lucky, and they were not trained."

"I don't care. You must teach us a few moves. My sister watched you in the living room last night and did not sleep."

They were determined to learn from him.

Dong Xuebing could not stand it and pretended to be in pain. "Ya... I cannot move, and I am in pain. It's difficult even to talk."

Shen Xiaomei was speechless.

You can subdue twenty men with those injuries and loss so much blood yesterday. How can you tell us you cannot move after your wounds are treated and stopped bleeding? Who are you trying to fool? The sisters had seen his combat power and knew he was pretending.

Shen Xiaoyan said. "Stop pretending. Open your mouth."

Dong Xuebing was hungry and opened his mouth to eat the congee.

The door was opened, and Dong Xuebing could hear footsteps. Zhang Longjuan walked to the door in her bathrobe. "Xiao Dong, you are up."

Dong Xuebing nodded. "Yes. I just woke up."

Zhang Longjuan saw the beautiful twins serving Dong Xuebing and laughed. "Haha... you are enjoying yourself."

Dong Xuebing was embarrassed. "No... I..."

Shen Xiaoyan was scared Ms. Zhang would misunderstand the situation and quickly explained. "We only want to learn something from Mr. Dong."

"You want to learn from him?"

"Yes."

Zhang Longjuan stretched. Her bathrobe almost burst open from her large breasts. She smiled. "All right. Take good care of this brat. I am going to wash up."

Chapter 1237: Spar

Inside the room.

The sisters looked at Dong Xuebing again after Zhang Longjuan left.

"Xiao Dong. Are you going to teach us?" Shen Xiaomei got mad after Dong Xuebing refused to teach them. She stopped calling him Mr. Dong. The sisters are a few years older than him, and there's nothing wrong with calling him Xiao Dong.

Shen Xiaoyan wiped Dong Xuebing's mouth gently after he finished the congee.

Dong Xuebing could not reject them. "All right. I am not good enough to teach you all anything. We are friends, so don't call me your teacher. Let's share and exchange some pointers. Ok?"

Shen Xiaoyan replied. "A few moves are good enough."

"Ok." Dong Xuebing thought for a while. "Let's try close combat."

"Ok." Shen Xiaomei stood up, and Shen Xiaoyan listened attentively.

Dong Xuebing leaned against the headboard. "I am not belittling you. Females are weaker against men in terms of strength."

Both nodded.

Dong Xuebing continued. "I will teach you a method to overcome this. You don't need to clash head-on every time. We have many acupuncture points, and these are weaknesses. You can win if you can accurately hit your opponent's acupuncture point or nerve." He has often used this method, and it is the only skill he can teach.

"Acupuncture points?"

“Nerves?”

The sisters did not learn this.

“Can it work?” Shen Xiaomei was doubtful.

Shen Xiaoyan asked. “Is hitting the nerves effective?”

Dong Xuebing replied. “Ok. Try attacking me.”

Shen Xiaomei looked at Dong Xuebing’s wounds. “You are on the bed, and your injury...”

“It’s fine. Go ahead and hit me. Hit wherever you want.” Dong Xuebing did not put up a defensive stance. He sat on the bed and did not move.

Shen Xiaomei looked at her sister.

Shen Xiaoyan nodded and stepped back.

“Be careful.” Shen Xiaomei looked at Dong Xuebing and was prepared to attack.

She threw a punch at Dong Xuebing’s face. She did not hold back as she knew his skills.

Dong Xuebing looked at her and lifted his hand. He used no strength, and his hand and Shen Xiaomei’s fist touched.

Shen Xiaoyan felt Dong Xuebing could not block her sister’s punch and might get hurt.

Shen Xiaomei thinks the same. But when their fists touched, her face changed. She gasped in pain, and her arm went soft. She quickly retracted her hand and took a big step back. She held her fist and inhaled deeply.

Shen Xiaoyan was shocked. “What happened, Sis?”

Shen Xiaomei bit her lips. “My hand is numbed.”

“Your hand went numb from that light touch?” Shen Xiaoyan could not believe it.

Shen Xiaomei nodded. “I cannot put in any strength. It is painful.”

“Let me try.” Shen Xiaoyan still did not believe her sister. She walked over to Dong Xuebing and said. “Sorry, Mr. Dong.”

“Come at me.”

“Be careful.”

Shen Xiaoyan moved.

She did not attack Dong Xuebing’s face like her sister. She aimed a few inches lower toward his chest. She was fast, and her fist was inches away from his chest.

Dong Xuebing lifted his arm casually like the previous time. He used no strength and looked like he waved his arm lightly. His fist blocked Shen Xiaoyan’s arm near her elbow. This is a normal attack and block exchange. Most attackers will follow up with another attack.

Before Shen Xiaoyan could attack Dong Xuebing again, she felt her elbow joint numb.

She immediately retracted her arm and attacked with her right hand.

Dong Xuebing lifted his hand calmly to hit her wrist.

Bam! The punch was blocked, and Shen Xiaoyan's wrist was numbed.

They could not hurt each other with these moves and strength, but Shen Xiaomei noticed her sister's facial expression. She was looking terrible.

Bam!

Bam!

Bam!

Shen Xiaoyan did not stop, and she continued exchanging blows with Dong Xuebing.

She unleashed a kick at the end.

They were sparring, and Dong Xuebing could not get out of bed. Kicking was a bit too much, but it also meant Shen Xiaoyan had no choice. She was forced to use her leg.

Dong Xuebing smiled and lifted his knee from under the blanket. His knee met Shen Xiaoyan's ankle and blocked her kick.

Shen Xiaoyan could not take it anymore. She took a deep breath and quickly stepped back. Her leg went soft, and she was limping.

"Sis!" Shen Xiaomei quickly help her up.

Shen Xiaoyan waved her hand. "I am fine."

Dong Xuebing asked. "It is quite effective, right?"

Shen Xiaoyan smiled wearily. "It is very effective. How will we fight if we meet someone who knows this skill? We cannot win."

Shen Xiaomei nodded. "This is amazing."

Dong Xuebing blocked their attacks, and they lost their strength upon contact.

One might be fine, but no one can last three to five times.

Shen Xiaoyan's arms and legs were numb and in pain after exchanging blows with Dong Xuebing. It felt terrible.

Dong Xuebing did not use any strength during their exchanges.

It would be more effective if Dong Xuebing were serious.

Shen Xiaoyan sighed. "I didn't know there's such a powerful Kung Fu."

"This is not Kung Fu. It is a combat method." Dong Xuebing said. "You must memorize the acupuncture points and practice. You don't need to use any strength for this skill. You only need accuracy, and this skill suits you." He explained.

The sisters listened attentively and took notes.

They spent the morning asking and learning from Dong Xuebing. He had researched this combat method and shared his experience.

After this sparring session, the sisters respected Dong Xuebing more.

They were impressed by his techniques.

A severely injured person on the bed...

Dong Xuebing could not move his body and managed to win against two professionally trained agents with one hand.

Shen Xiaoyan and Shen Xiaomei were convinced.

Chapter 1238: This is my lover

One day...

Two days...

Three days...

Afternoon.

A car stopped outside a pub.

Shen Xiaoyan, Shen Xiaomei, Zhang Longjuan, and Dong Xuebing sat in the car. They will be boarding the gambling ship today, and they were prepared.

"We are here." Shen Xiaomei said. "That's the place."

Zhang Longjuan looked at the sisters. "What about your weapons?"

Shen Xiaoyan nodded. "We did not bring any or will not get past the security checks."

"Ok." Zhang Longjuan turned to Dong Xuebing. "You cannot back out if you board. Xiao Dong, I am grateful to you for coming to protect me. I do not want you to risk your life with us, as you got nothing to do with this mission." She repeated it. "I need to confirm if you are going with us."

Dong Xuebing smiled. "I must go."

Zhang Longjuan replied. "All right. I shall not say anything. Let's go."

"Ok." Dong Xuebing looked at her. "You will be fine if you are within 300 meters from me."

Shen Xiaomei asked. "Why 300 meters?"

Dong Xuebing explained. "I can handle any situation within this distance."

Shen Xiaomei replied after a long pause. "Oh... ok."

Other bodyguards will laugh at Dong Xuebing if they hear what he says. Who can protect someone from 300 meters away? No one can do anything 30 meters away. It should be 3 meters. But it was Dong Xuebing who said it. Shen Xiaoyan and Shen Xiaomei exchanged looks. They knew Dong Xuebing could do it, and they were amateurs compared to him.

Zhang Longjuan laughed and agreed. "I will not bear to be so far from my handsome boy. Haha..."

Dong Xuebing laughed. "You are doing it again. I am not handsome."

Zhang Longjuan replied. "You are handsome."

Sister Zhang started joking again. She seemed relaxed and was not nervous at all.

The twins understood why their higher-ups let an outsider Zhang Longjuan lead this operation. She is experienced and does not get nervous. Others would be shaking if tasked with this mission and might expose themselves. But Zhang Longjuan will not be caught.

Ms. Zhang has been through ups and downs, and few will have her composure.

They got out of the car. Shen Xiaomei and Shen Xiaoyan carried a silver numeric lock suitcase each. The suitcases were heavy as they were full of USD.

They walked towards a bar.

Dong Xuebing suddenly remembered something. He asked. "How many people can you bring on board?"

Zhang Longjuan replied slowly. "I can bring one or two people with me under normal circumstances. We are using cash to gamble and need people to carry the money. Most people will bring a secretary, bodyguard, or two bodyguards."

Dong Xuebing said. "We got four people."

Zhang Longjuan looked at the twins. "They are my bodyguards, and you... Haha..."

"How can I be your secretary? What if they don't allow so many of us to board the ship?" Dong Xuebing is afraid he cannot board the ship. This is a dangerous mission. He must stay beside Zhang Longjuan to protect her.

Zhang Longjuan did not answer him. "Let's talk about it later."

They reached the bar.

It is a small bar located in a corner. The signboard is in English, and there's a small lantern beside it. It looked smaller than other bars along the street, and the doors were closed. A man in his early sixties sat outside the door, reading a newspaper.

They stood at the entrance.

The old man looked at them. "We are not open yet."

Shen Xiaomei replied. "We are not here to drink. We are here to board the ship."

The old man was not surprised. He looked at them without saying a word.

Shen Xiaomei passed him a card. It is a golden card, and Dong Xuebing saw a drawing of a cruise on it.

The old man looked at the car and nodded. He put the newspaper aside and unlocked the door. He opened the door and said. "Come in."

Shen Xiaomei looked inside cautiously and entered.

Shen Xiaoyan, Zhang Longjuan, and Dong Xuebing followed.

The bar is bright, and they saw a few staff in uniforms inside. The old man closed the door and passed the golden card to a middle-aged man. That man checked the card and returned it to Zhang Longjuan. He greeted her politely. "Good afternoon, Ms. Zhang."

Zhang Longjuan nodded. "What time are we boarding?"

"We can board now, but we must check you all first. This is a normal procedure. We don't mean to be rude, and I hope you are not offended." The middle-aged man said.

Zhang Longjuan replied. "Ok."

The middle-aged man turned and looked at the staff. Three staff walked over to search them.

The female staff conducted a body search on Zhang Longjuan and the twins. A male staff searched Dong Xuebing and used a metal detector on them. Another staff checked their suitcases. He took out all the money and checked the suitcase before putting the money back.

Five minutes later.

The staff nodded to the middle-aged man.

"Sorry to keep you all waiting." That man gestured to the back door. "I will bring you all to the ship. But you all need to take my car."

"No problem. Let's go."

"Thank you for your understanding. This way, please."

Dong Xuebing and the rest followed the middle-aged man through the back door and got into a Lincoln. It is long and looks luxurious. Dong Xuebing can tell the boss of the gambling ship is wealthy. A few people were waiting in the car. It was a middle-aged woman and her male bodyguard. Two other men were there alone. They did not talk to each other and seemed to be strangers.

The car started moving.

It drove towards the south.

The car stopped in front of a beach about an hour later.

It is afternoon, and the weather is hot. They could see many people and cars after they got out. A few yachts were on the sea.

The middle-aged man led the way.

A few staff walked over and checked them again. They checked their golden card and scanned them with a metal detector before bringing them to the beach.

An average-looking woman walked up to them. "Hello, are you all together?"

Zhang Longjuan smiled. "We are together. What's wrong?"

"You only got one gold card, but you have four people. This is against the regulations." The woman said. "Are they your bodyguards?"

Zhang Longjuan pointed to the twins. "They are my guards."

"What about him?" The woman looked at Dong Xuebing.

Dong Xuebing's body is still in bandages. Although his suit covered them, he limped and had wounds on his forehead. No one would believe he is a bodyguard. How can someone injured be a bodyguard?

Dong Xuebing was interrupted when he was about to answer.

Zhang Longjuan wrapped her arms around Dong Xuebing's arm and said. "He is my lover."

Shen Xiaoyan and Shen Xiaomei did not react. They seemed to know Ms. Zhang would say that.

The woman paused for a second and looked at them. Their age gap was too big, but she showed no expression. This was not her first time seeing an older woman bringing a younger man. She hesitated. "Oh..."

Zhang Longjuan smiled. "Can we board now?"

Two bodyguards and Dong Xuebing is considered her family. The woman thought for a while. "Sorry for the delay. Please board the ship."

"No problem. Haha..."

"Please come with me."

The woman brought them toward a white yacht.

Zhang Longjuan's continued to hook her hand around Dong Xuebing's arm and followed that woman gracefully.

But Dong Xuebing was awkward.

I am your lover?

Darn! You are daring to say it.

Dong Xuebing was embarrassed as other guests were looking at them weirdly. A forty-plus woman was walking with a man in his twenties. Anyone would be curious.

However, there's a benefit to it.

Zhang Longjuan was pressing her breasts against Dong Xuebing's arm.

He could see her deep cleavage when he looked down.

Zhang Longjuan's breasts almost burst out of her dress, shaking with every step she took.

Chapter 1239: Gambling ship

Afternoon.

Beach.

On a yacht by the seaside.

After boarding, Zhang Longjuan pulled the stiff Dong Xuebing to a lounging chair. He sat with her and felt everyone was looking at him. It was uncomfortable... only his left arm squashed between Sis Zhang's boobs, felt good. It was a weird feeling.

Zhang Longjuan was amused. "Why are you so shy?"

Dong Xuebing whispered. "Can you don't stick so close to me?"

"Haha... are you scared I would eat you? Huh?" Zhang Longjuan laughed.

"No, I just feel... err... this is wrong..." Dong Xuebing pretended to be a gentleman. But he was enjoying this feeling inside.

Zhang Longjuan laughed. "They will not allow you to go on board if you are not my lover. You insisted on coming with us."

"Can't you tell them I am your brother or nephew?"

"How can that relationship be the same as a lover? A lover is more convincing."

"Ok... let's pretend to be lovers now."

"We got to hold hands. Act natural, and don't expose us."

Shen Xianyan and her sister stood beside Dong Xuebing and Zhang Longjuan with the digital lock suitcases.

Suddenly, there was laughter from a distance.

A middle-aged man and a young woman walked to the yacht. They had a bodyguard each with them, and the bodyguards carried heavy suitcases.

"Ms. Zhang." The man laughed.

The young woman said. "Why are you here?"

Zhang Longjuan turned. "Oh, Mr. Wei and Ms. Leng."

The middle-aged man smiled. "We have not met for many years since Macau. I remembered I lost a lot to you."

Zhang Longjuan laughed. "I was lucky or would not have won against you with your skills that day."

Mr. Wei replied. "Are you mocking me?"

The woman beside seemed to know Mr. Wei and Zhang Longjuan. "Sis Zhang, I heard you are doing well overseas. I hope we can cooperate in the future."

Zhang Longjuan laughed. "Sure."

Mr. Wei looked at Dong Xuebing and asked. "Who is this?"

Zhang Longjuan wrapped her arms around Dong Xuebing's arm. "Let me introduce. This is Mr. Wei. He is doing electronic products business. His company is big. This is Ms. Leng. Her business is focused mainly on Singapore. We cooperated once many years ago."

Dong Xuebing nodded and greeted them. "Nice to meet you, Mr. Wei, Ms. Leng."

Zhang Longjuan pointed at Dong Xuebing and said. "This is my lover."

Mr. Wei smiled. "You have good taste, Ms. Zhang."

Ms. Leng smiled. "I didn't know you liked young men."

Dong Xuebing felt slightly insulted, but he did not say anything. He did not want to create trouble today.

Zhang Longjuan smiled. "I remember there was a young man beside you when we met. He seemed to be in his teens."

Ms. Leng's eyelids twitched. "He is my relative."

Mr. Zhang quickly changed the topic. "Let's get on board. The yacht is going to set sail."

They got onto Zhang Longjuan's yacht and sat together.

Dong Xuebing could tell they, especially Ms. Leng, were not close with Zhang Longjuan despite their friendly greetings. He could tell from their tone and attitude.

"Is this your first time here, Ms. Zhang?"

"Yes. I heard it is a big gambling cruise and came to take a look."

"Haha... Ms. Leng and I came a few times. It's not bad."

"I didn't know Ms. Leng enjoys playing cards."

"I am here to have fun. Haha... I am not expecting to win."

They chatted, and Dong Xuebing could not join their conversation. He looked around and saw a few cars stopping at the beach. Everyone was searched before they could get on board. They were doing this in broad daylight. He guessed the boss has connections with the local authorities. It is not easy to have such a scale within a few months. No wonder State Security is watching them.

Around ten minutes later.

All guests arrived.

The professionally dressed woman came on board the yacht. She is in charge of this yacht. "We are setting sail soon. It is windy here, and you can rest in the cabins."

"It's fine. I am enjoying the breeze."

"Ok. We will set sail now. Call me if you need anything."

The yacht set sail after a few minutes.

Zhang Longjuan yawned and asked. "How long will it take? I am feeling sleepy."

The woman replied. "It will take around one hour. This is your first time, right? We will provide rooms and food on the cruise. You can rest or dine when you get on board. It will take seven to eight hours before the cruise reaches international waters. The casino will open at midnight. You can have a good rest."

“Seven to eight hours to reach international waters?”

“Yes. We are located further from international waters, and the security has been tighter recently. We cannot stop in the areas previously. We got to change our course.”

“Is someone investigating you?”

“Haha... it’s better to be careful.”

“It’s fine. We don’t need to rush.”

Mr. Wei looked at Zhang Longjuan. “Let’s have lunch later, Ms. Zhang. We have not met for many years besides a few phone calls.”

Zhang Longjuan smiled. “We will have time. I am tired and will take a nap after we get on board. I think I will have dinner in my room.”

“Sure. Let’s talk about it again. You must go lightly on me when we meet in the casino.”

“Haha... you are teasing me again. Who doesn’t know how good you are with cards.”

Ms. Leng smiled. “Let’s play a few games later, Ms. Zhang.”

Zhang Longjuan looked at her. “Sure. Let’s meet again tonight.”

“Deal.” Ms. Leng laughed.

Ten minutes...

Half an hour...

One hour...

The yacht slowed down, and they could see the coastline.

They were unsure where they were. The port on the coast is not a proper port and a large luxurious cruise berth there. Dong Xuebing was speechless. He imagined the cruise ship when Shen Xiaomei told him about the mission, but he did not expect the ship to be so big. It looks new and can fit thousands of people.

This is an actual cruise ship.

This ship should cost an astronomical amount.

Port.

All the yachts stopped at the port.

About a hundred people got off the yachts and stood on the port.

Some seemed to be regulars as they were not looking around. Most of them were here for the first time. They were surprised and looked at the giant cruise ship.

The staff started boarding the guests.

There was another security checkpoint before boarding. The guests were searched and scanned with metal detectors and an infrared device. Guests' spectacles and contact lenses were also checked thoroughly. This was to prevent anyone from bringing dangerous items on board and the guests from cheating with high-tech products. Lastly, everyone's suitcases were checked. The guests were high rollers, and they had high net worths. Ordinary guests could not pass the initial checks.

Everyone's suitcases contain a few hundred thousand to a few million USD. Zhang Longjuan's five million USD is not the most.

Credit cards?

This is an illegal gambling ship, and they do not allow credit card transactions. That's why the guests must bring cash with them.

On board the gambling cruise.

Zhang Longjuan and the rest finally boarded after clearing the security checks.

Staff in a casino dealer's uniform walked up to them. "Please show me your gold card."

Shen Xiaomei took out the gold card.

The staff replied. "Good afternoon, prestigious guest. Please come with me."

Dong Xuebing noticed the guests were led to different parts of the ship. Some entered the cabin decks through the west entrance, and some through the east entrance. The gold cards should have different levels. The staff leads them into the decks through a north entrance and a long corridor. At the end of the corridor is a majestic and grand area.

Rooms lined on both sides.

Gold VIP signs and room numbers were hung on the doors.

"Every VIP guest has two rooms. These two, VIPs 7 and 8, are your room.

"All right."

"The casino opens at midnight. You can call us from the phone inside if you need anything. All food and liquors are free for our guests."

"Ok."

"Have a good rest, and I hope you will have a pleasant stay with us."

Chapter 1240: Scrub my back for me

Afternoon 3 pm.

Inside VIP room 7.

They entered the room and closed the door behind them.

Shen Xiaoyan and Shen Xiaomei started checking the room's bedsheets, lights, carpet, etc. They checked every corner of the room for listening devices or hidden cameras. It is a luxurious suite with two rooms, one bathroom, a living room, and a small kitchen. It comes with a TV, fridge, and

various home appliances. They did not feel they were on a ship because of the grey carpet. Instead, they feel like they are in a luxurious presidential suite.

About twenty minutes later.

Shen Xiaoyan said. "Safe."

Shen Xiaomei nodded. "The room is safe."

Zhang Longjuan laughed. "They should not put listening bugs in the rooms. The cruise operator's reputation would be tarnished if the VIPs found listening bugs. If the ship is spying on other countries, they will install listening devices in the restaurants. Many people would be there, and no one would let their bodyguards check the restaurants."

Shen Xiaomei nodded. "We will check the other room to be safe."

Shen Xiaoyan looked at Zhang Longjuan. "How are we going to split the rooms?"

Zhang Longjuan giggled. "I told everyone, Xiao Dong is my lover. We must stay in a room. You two will stay in the next room."

"Ok." The twins do not need to worry about Zhang Longjuan's safety with Dong Xuebing. He can take down anyone with one finger. They learned martial arts from him in the past few days and have absolute confidence in him. "We are not resting. We will eat at the restaurant and familiarize ourselves with the ship."

Zhang Longjuan nodded. "My job is only to bring you two here, and the rest is up to you."

"Yes. We know what to do."

"Be careful."

"Yes, Ms. Zhang. You must be careful too."

Shen Xiaoyan took out her phone and sent out a text. Shen Xiaomei took out her phone's battery. She took a small hidden device behind the battery and left the room. It should be a listening device.

The door closed.

Zhang Longjuan stretched and smiled. "They will do the mission now, and I will not interfere. You are limping and will gain attention if we appear. My task is done. Let's eat something first."

Dong Xuebing was hungry. "Ok."

Zhang Longjuan jumped onto a bed and called room service with the phone in the room.

"Good afternoon."

"I would like to order lunch. What do you have?"

"We have Chinese and Western cuisines."

"I shall have Western food. Give me two steaks and two servings of oysters. What red wine do you have?"

Zhang Longjuan ordered a lot of food.

Dong Xuebing laughed after she hung up. "Are their food and wine free for the guests? They are making a loss."

"They won't." Zhang Longjuan said. "Everyone came with at least a few hundred thousand USD, and the casino is a sure-win business. Although the casino is taking a small cut from the bets, it is huge. The food and drinks are nothing."

Someone rang the doorbell a while later.

Dong Xuebing opened the door, and the staff pushed a trolley in. "Please enjoy your meal."

"Thank you." Dong Xuebing closed the door and checked the trolley. He pushed it to the bed after he was sure it was safe. We can eat."

Zhang Longjuan lay on the bed. "Let's eat on the bed. I am tired."

She is wearing a sexy dark red long dress today.

Dong Xuebing cleared his throat and sat on the bed. He pulled the trolley closer.

Zhang Longjuan giggled and sat up. She cut the steak into small pieces and fed Dong Xuebing. "Here..."

"You should eat first."

"I cut it for you. Hurry."

"Huh? Thank you. I don't know how to cut it."

"Haha... I noticed it when you came to my house."

Zhang Longjuan's attentiveness touched Dong Xuebing again. He started eating slowly.

After eating.

Zhang Longjuan looked at the time. "It's still early. We got a war to fight tonight. Let's rest."

Dong Xuebing replied. "Go and sleep. I will keep watch outside as I am not sleepy."

"You should take a nap even if you are not sleepy. We will be playing until tomorrow morning. How can your body take it?"

"Ok."

"Haha... I am taking a shower first."

Zhang Longjuan smiled and entered the bathroom.

Dong Xuebing heard Zhang Longjuan undressing inside and left the room. He went to the living room to watch TV.

A while later.

"Is my handsome boy around?"

"Where is my handsome boy?"

Dong Xuebing entered the room quickly. "I am here. What is it?"

The bathroom lights were on, and Dong Xuebing could see her silhouette. "Come in for a while."

"Huh? How can I enter?"

"Haha... the door is not locked."

"It is not about if the door is locked or not. You..."

"I am wearing something. Come in."

Dong Xuebing opened the door slightly and checked. It was foggy, and he could not see clearly. He opened the door more and saw Zhang Longjuan soaking in the bathtub. Her wet hair was tied into a bun, showing her smooth neck and shoulders. She wrapped herself in a towel and faced away from him.

"What is it?"

"Come and scrub my back."

"Huh? Scrub your back? You want me to scrub your back?"

"Yes. Are you unwilling to do it?"

"No... I... I don't think it is right."

"My body was so dirty these days, and I will wear a strapped long dress later. I must wash my back. Come. You are not an outsider."