

## Pill Maker 1551

### Chapter 1551 No One Will Demand An Apology

People took backdoors and it was common in the company. Moreover, Jie Xi did not accept bribes of any kind. Since the company had worked with the institute before, he simply decided to do Wei Yong a favor.

Jie Xi did not think it was serious enough to fire him.

“What do you mean by minor?” J flicked his shirt and continued., “Do you have any idea who wrote the code for the first-generation robot?”

Jie Xi did not understand why his boss brought this up now. He simply asked in confusion. “Was it not our mysterious founder?”

J raised his head and looked out the car window nonchalantly as he said, “Considering the international standards of AI technology, where do you think we are? Can our local industry compete?”

“Of course not. The foreign technology is three to five years more advanced than us in terms of databases...” replied Jie Xi automatically before he paused mid sentence.

They only wanted to work with the institute owing to the database used on the AL system. When J suddenly brought up the first-generation smart robot, Jie Xi naturally caught the underlying meaning in his boss’s words.

If the database was created by the mysterious founder of the company, even if he did not get fired, his career was over.

Jie Xi could sense his back turning cold. Wei Yong had genuinely gotten him into major trouble.

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Meanwhile, in the car.

Liu Qian looked into the rearview mirror and could not help sighing inside yet again. “I know you are upset but we have no choice. Since we have no power, we just have to compromise.”

Huo Yao looked completely calm as she nodded. Since she was preoccupied, she said nothing.

Liu Qian continued. “If Mr. Qi asks to speak to you, let me know. Whatever it is, this happened because of me. If I had given up on the DO Corporation’s project sooner, this would not have happened. If the company wants an apology, I will...”

Huo Yao gathered her thoughts and interrupted. “No, they won’t.”

Liu Qian choked promptly. He did not understand why Huo Yao was so confident about this.

“DO Corporation won’t ask for an apology,” said Huo Yao. No one would demand her apology. Instead, someone would even swing by the university to apologize to her.

Liu Qian looked into the rearview mirror quizzically. “Why are you so sure about it?”

Huo Yao smiled mysteriously. "Just a guess."

Liu Qian went quiet.

If she did not sound so patronizing, he might have believed what she said.

Huo Yao said nothing. She lowered her head and took out her phone to play.

Liu Qian did not quite understand what she meant. But for some reason, he inexplicably felt a lot calmer.

They arrived at school 20 minutes later. Shortly after they arrived, Qi Hui also got back to school.

Wei Yong had thrown a temper at Qi Hui, so the moment he returned, he went to Liu Qian's office angrily. "Do you know how much trouble you've caused?"

Liu Qian was mentally prepared for a scolding from Qi Hui. The moment he saw Qi Hui, he could not even be bothered to be polite and said without holding back the slightest, "Oh really? Do I look like I care?"

Qi Hui felt even angrier when Liu Qian acted so arrogantly and showed complete disregard for him. "Liu Qian, did you have a concussion or something? Do you know what you're saying?"

Liu Qian looked at Qi Hui calmly. "I know what I am saying. If anyone doesn't know whose side he is on, it's certainly you."

#### Chapter 1552 Don't Make Things Difficult For Her

Qi Hui was so angry that he laughed. "Are you telling me how to do my job? I know you have a few good students, but that doesn't mean you can get anything you want. Don't be foolish."

Liu Qian pursed his lips. "That's pure accusation. I never felt that way before."

Qi Hui glared at Liu Qian coldly. He could not be bothered arguing with Liu Qian. He simply said, "You will call Mr. Wei immediately and apologize. Same goes for your student."

"Impossible," said Liu Qian coldly. "It was not our fault. Even though Huo Yao was a little blunt, you know exactly why she behaved this way. The same goes for Wei Yong."

"Are you trying to ruin her future?" Qi Hui laughed coldly and could not be bothered arguing with him.

The moment Liu Qian heard what he said, he lost his cool. "Why do you keep pulling the same threat on me? This is unfair!"

Qi Hui disregarded Liu Qian and took out his phone. "If you refuse to make the call, I'm happy to help."

Liu Qian's face turned livid. He watched as Qi Hui typed on the phone with his hands clenching from the sides of his body.

Qi Hui swiped down to Wei Yong's number. Before he dialed the number, he paused and raised his head at Liu Qian. "Oh yes. The girl has to apologize as well."

Liu Qian could sense his throat go dry. He had just told Huo Yao not to apologize on their way back to school. He loosened his grip and caved into Qi Hui. "Mr. Qi, I am sorry for my poor attitude. I can apologize to Mr. Wei, but please don't make things difficult for her."

Qi Hui smiled mockingly. "It's too late."

The moment he finished his sentence, he called the administrative office. "I need you to tell Huo Yao to come to Liu Qian's office."

Liu Qian watched as Qi Hui made the call. He was completely unable to stop Qi Hui.

Qi Hui put down his phone. He pulled up a chair nearby and sat down. "Once she gets here, she will apologize as well."

"Qi Hui, do you really have to do this?" said Liu Qian with his face red a few minutes later.

Qi Hui had regained the upper hand yet again. He patted his legs unhurriedly. "Everyone has to pay for their mistakes, right?"

Liu Qian trembled with his lips parted. Just as he was about to speak, someone knocked on the office door and interrupted them.

"From the looks of it, she has a higher appreciation of the situation than you," remarked Qi Hui mockingly.

Liu Qian thought it was Huo Yao as well. He did not expect her to make it to the office so quickly.

He had clearly instructed her to ignore Qi Hui!

Liu Qian inhaled deeply and walked to the door. After opening the door, he said, "Huo Yao, you are not needed... Huh? Mr. Zhou, do you want to see me?"

When Liu Qian got a close look at the man at the door, he hurriedly rephrased his sentence. Two men were also standing behind Mr. Zhou. The moment he saw their faces, he instinctively became tense.

What were the DO Corporation representatives doing here at school anyway?

Were they here to demand an apology?

In an instant, several notions emerged in Liu Qian's mind.

Mr. Zhou was the head of the administrative department at Tsing University. He nodded to Liu Qian and said, "Are you free?"

Liu Qian tightened his grip on the door and had trouble smiling. "No, this is a good time to talk."

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"I'm glad you're free," said Mr. Zhou. He turned sideways and gave way. "These gentlemen are from DO Corporation and they'd like to speak to you."

Qi Hui was sitting in Liu Qian's office. The moment he heard the conversation, he raised his head and looked at the door.

It was the representatives from DO Corporation standing at the door.

Qi Hui stood up and quickly went to the door as well.

When Mr. Zhou saw Qi Hui in the room, he greeted Qi Hui. "Are you here too, Mr. Qi?"

"Uh huh. I had something to say to him," said Qi Hui as he glanced at the men standing behind Mr. Zhou.

A look of surprise swept across his face. He did not understand what they were doing here.

Before long, Qi Hui composed himself. He glanced at Liu Qian before he stepped aside and said to Mr. Zhou courteously, "Come in first."

Mr. Zhou nodded.

Before long, they entered the office with Qi Hui and Liu Qian following behind.

"If you want to make this go away, you have to apologize," said Qi Hui softly to Liu Qian as he stood beside him.

Liu Qian's mind had turned to mush and he had trouble thinking straight. He automatically nodded to Qi Hui and replied. "Got it."

They were whispering, so their conversation was nearly inaudible, but J happened to turn and glance at them.

Qi Hui invited J to take a seat and poured him a glass of water. He proceeded to immediately start apologetically. "I'm so sorry about what happened at the institute, Mr. Meng."

J took the water but did not drink. Instead, he looked at Qi Hui quietly.

Qi Hui could sense his scalp go numb from the stare. The atmosphere felt very tense. He lowered his head, pulled Liu Qian beside him, and signaled for Liu Qian to speak up.

Liu Qian had composed himself by now. He opened his mouth and wanted to apologize instinctively, but then a thought struck him. Huo Yao had mentioned that the company would never demand an apology from them.

Liu Qian hesitated briefly before he raised his head and glanced at J. From the looks of it, he was not here to make trouble. He promptly composed himself and asked. "Mr. Meng, why did you want to see me?"

The moment he finished his sentence, Qi Hui cleared his throat and shot him a death stare.

Why was Liu Qian so stupid? He just needed to apologize, but he could not even get a simple task right.

Liu Qian pretended not to notice Qi Hui's stare. Instead, Liu Qian stood with his back straight the entire time.

J put down his glass and stood up. He looked at Liu Qian, nodded politely, and said in a sincere tone, "Sorry about the things that you and your student had to go through."

Liu Qian was completely stunned. Qi Hui was equally shocked.

He thought J was here to make them apologize, but he ended up apologizing first.

“Our company made a mistake by deciding to work with the institute. I hope Mr. Liu won’t take it to heart and accept my apology,” said J again.

“I-It’s okay. No, w-we were at fault as well...” Liu Qian stammered as he responded. For a moment, he was at a loss for words.

Liu Qian really wanted to slap his own face to see if he was dreaming. This seemed completely surreal to him.

“As for the project, I hope you can consider working with us. From now on, you will communicate directly with me regarding project matters,” said J. He reached his hand into his pocket to retrieve a name card and handed it to Liu Qian.

Liu Qian accepted the name card in a daze and lowered his head to look at it. The moment he saw the contents of the name card, his hand trembled automatically.

#### Chapter 1554 The CEO

The man was shockingly the CEO of DO Corporation!

Liu Qian swallowed his saliva nervously. He was the CEO of the company, but he did not demand an apology and even volunteered to communicate directly with him. The turn of events felt incredible to him and he could not believe his eyes!

After Qi Hui looked at the name card from the side, he was even more shocked than Liu Qian.

Mr. Wei had previously mentioned that Mr. Meng must be a very important man, but he did not expect him to be the CEO of the company.

He could not wrap his mind around it. Why would the CEO suddenly take such a keen interest in the database?

Qi Hui had a nagging feeling that he was missing something.

A knocking could be heard on the door.

The door was already open, so everyone raised their heads and looked over the moment they heard the knocking.

A tall, slender woman could be seen standing at the door. She had a very special aura.

J’s eyes instantly lit up when he saw the young woman. If not for the people present, he might have run over to welcome his ‘daddy’ and given her a bear hug.

Liu Qian snapped out of his thoughts and waved at Huo Yao. “Come on in, Huo Yao.”

If the people from DO Corporation were not present, he would have told Huo Yao to leave first. Liu Qian could not help looking at J. He noticed that the man seemed a little too excited after looking at the door.

His reaction was very unusual. It felt as though he had met an old friend.

Liu Qian felt puzzled inside.

Huo Yao walked in without looking at J even though he was staring at her intently. She simply nodded to Liu Qian and greeted him. "Did you want to see me?"

Liu Qian glanced at Qi Hui and suddenly found a new sense of confidence. He said, "Mr. Meng is here to talk about the project."

Qi Hui's face flushed crimson in embarrassment. Even though Liu Qian did not mention telling her to apologize to Mr. Meng, he still felt ashamed.

Huo Yao acknowledged softly, looking very relaxed. It seemed as though she already foresaw this. "Why don't you go ahead and handle it?"

Huo Yao seemed completely disinterested and he was worried Mr. Meng might get upset. He cleared his throat and said, "You were in charge of making the database, so Mr. Meng would like to speak to you."

Huo Yao finally looked up at J. "What would you like to discuss?"

When J made eye contact with Huo Yao, he could sense an imposing aura coming from her, despite her young age.

His papa was angry.

J smiled sheepishly. "Your call."

Huo Yao went quiet.

The atmosphere and their exchange felt very strange.

Huo Yao would rather not waste time talking to idiots, so she cut to the chase and said, "Did you bring the contract?"

J turned and looked at Jie Xi standing behind him.

Jie Xi kept observing Huo Yao. The moment J looked over, he opened his briefcase and took out a contract.

J took the document from him. After flipping through it briefly, he handed it to Huo Yao. "Take a look at it. If you have any problems, I'm happy to revise it."

Huo Yao nodded. She flipped through the contract quickly and got to the last page in less than a minute. When she got to the last page, she raised her head and remarked. "This isn't enough money."

"Shall I double it?" J almost instantly responded.

Huo Yao sighed inwardly. He was undoubtedly rich. She handed the contract to Liu Qian. "Is this okay?"

Liu Qian looked at Huo Yao in surprise as he took the contract from her. He did not understand what was going on. Nothing was discussed yet, but they had already reached the stage of signing the contract.

He lowered his head and flipped through the contract. When he got to the line mentioning the payment, he was stunned.

## Chapter 1555 Double The Money

To be honest, the original sum was already a generous offer and it was double than what Liu Qian had expected.

Now that DO Corporation had agreed to double it, this meant it was four times more than what he expected.

Liu Qian nearly wanted to scream when he saw the number. It was simply exhilarating.

Huo Yao saw Liu Qian going into a daze, so she could not help calling him. "Hello?"

Liu Qian snapped out of his daze promptly. He cleared his throat and did his utmost to stay calm. "Huo Yao, what do you think?"

J hurriedly said, "If you don't like the number, I can double it again."

Money was no object as long as it could appease his father.

Liu Qian inhaled deeply in shock.

For a moment, he thought his ears were playing tricks on him.

"This is just the preliminary fee. The company will reimburse for all other related charges," added J.

Liu Qian's brain nearly hung as he looked at Huo Yao automatically.

Huo Yao smiled satisfactorily. She looked at the buffoon who had just thrown money at her. "You were talking about the database, right? I have a new proposal for it and it's even better than the old version."

He suddenly felt very flattered by the attention and did not know what to say.

Before long, Huo Yao chatted to J about work patiently.

Qi Hui had stood there the entire time without being included at all. He took the contract from Liu Qian and had a look at it.

After looking at it, his face turned increasingly pale.

The CEO of DO Corporation had asked to work with Huo Yao. Also, he doubled the money twice without hesitation. This project was the highest-grossing project he had seen in years.

After the project was done, it would look very good on Liu Qian's resume.

Moreover, Qi Hui had nothing to show in terms of work in the past two years. He naturally felt threatened professionally.

Liu Qian glanced at Qi Hui and did not know what he was thinking. He simply raised his chin and said, "Mr. Qi, do we still have to apologize to the institute?"

Qi Hui froze awkwardly before he said, "No matter what, you have to explain yourselves to the institute."

However, he did not mention anything about apologizing.

Liu Qian looked at Huo Yao as she chatted with the CEO of DO Corporation. He turned to look at Qi Hui and said mockingly, "Mr. Qi, do you have hearing problems? Didn't you listen to what Mr. Meng said earlier? It was a mistake. Since it was a mistake, why do we have to explain anything?"

Liu Qian paused and added. "If anyone has to answer to them, it should be you, Mr. Qi."

Qi Hui's expression cracked and he nearly lost his cool.

Qi Hui had told Wei Yong about the project.

If Wei Yong found out how much the company paid to hire Huo Yao, he could not imagine how Wei Yong would take it. Qi Hui stumbled slightly just thinking about it.

He had sabotaged himself and now he was completely cornered.

Before long, Jie Xi was done revising the contract and printed it. He handed the document to his boss who signed it without hesitation. Also, J asked for Liu Qian's number.

Jie Xi thought about the conversation he had with J in the car and his boss's conversation with Huo Yao. It suddenly dawned on him that his boss was not joking earlier.

He pondered briefly before he bowed and said apologetically to Huo Yao, "I'm so sorry about causing a misunderstanding this morning. Please forgive me."

Huo Yao glanced at Jie Xi quizzically.

#### Chapter 1556 They Were Acquainted

Huo Yao knew about the unwritten rules in the industry and was unsurprised. However, there was something strange with Jie Xi's extremely humble attitude. She tapped her finger on her knee gently as she pondered. For a moment there, she wondered if she looked like a petty woman.

"Since it has been resolved, don't worry about it." She waved her hand and was in a good mood.

Even though Jie Xi knew Huo Yao did not take it to heart, he apologized repeatedly. He finally stopped when his boss glanced at him.

Shortly after Jie Xi stepped aside, his phone rang in his pocket. He took out his phone and looked at the caller ID. It was Wei Yong.

Jie Xi had to tender his resignation after going home. He felt angry just thinking about it, so he hung up the phone immediately and blacklisted Wei Yong.

Huo Yao failed to detect Jie Xi's reaction. Since the contract was settled, she stood up and went back to class.

J called her back. "Shall we have lunch?"

Liu Qian was about to place the contract in the drawer, but his hand trembled the moment he heard what J said. He turned to look at the young man in shock.

He wondered if J had a thing for Huo Yao.

As Liu Qian's imagination ran wild, Huo Yao said casually, "It's the school canteen. Are you sure?"

Liu Qian was stunned.

J glanced at Huo Yao. He naturally did not mind eating there. "Of course. Can you remove me from the blacklist first?"

Huo Yao raised her brow and quickly took out her phone and tapped on it. "All done."

J heaved a sigh of relief. He paused and said shamelessly, "You have to add me on WeChat as well."

Huo Yao looked at him sideways. "Aren't you a hacker? Why bother using WeChat?"

"I'm afraid you might blacklist me again one day." J felt very worried inside.

Huo Yao scoffed out loud. She opened her WeChat and let him scan her QR code.

Liu Qian watched in shock as everything transpired until he finally snapped out of it. He could not help feeling curious. "Did you already know Mr. Meng?"

Huo Yao acknowledged softly without denying their relationship.

Sure enough, he was right!

Liu Qian's cheeks twitched. The news was far more jaw-dropping than discovering that Mr. Meng was the CEO of DO Corporation.

No wonder she was unintimidated when they brought up DO Corporation.

Even after the institute tried to steal the project, she remained calm. She was unafraid to argue with Mr. Meng publicly and already knew that no one would make her apologize. In hindsight, it was all because he was a personal acquaintance.

The moment Liu Qian learned the truth, he looked at Huo Yao resentfully for not telling him sooner. She had concealed this very well!

When Huo Yao detected Liu Qian looking at her intently, she decided to make a run for it. "Bye-bye."

Liu Qian waved his hand powerlessly.

Before long, only Qi Hui and Liu Qian were left in the office.

Qi Hui's mind had turned to mush.

When he discovered that Mr. Meng was acquainted with Huo Yao, it was a bolt from the blue and he nearly lost balance.

Qi Hui's phone rang in his pocket. He trembled briefly before taking out his phone.

Wei Yong was calling him since he was unable to reach Jie Xi.

Sadly, Qi Hui did not dare to answer the phone. He did not want to tell Wei Yong about the updates regarding the project.

Qi Hui kept waiting until the call automatically got disconnected before he sighed in relief. However, he remained worried inside.

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Huo Yao did not really make J eat at the school canteen. Instead, she brought him to a restaurant near the campus.

Chapter 1557 Take Their Relationship To The Next Level

Huo Yao poured herself some tea after they ordered lunch. She held the cup with her long, slender hands and looked very laid back.

J looked at Huo Yao as he sat across from her. Even though it was the first time they met, they felt like old friends and did not feel awkward around each other.

J laughed and said, "I used to think that you were some grimy middle-aged man."

Huo Yao raised her brow and narrowed her eyes. "Why? Do you look down on women?"

"That is not true. I was just surprised." J cleared his throat awkwardly.

Ten years ago, she created the first generation smart robot. Complicated emotions flooded his heart just thinking about it.

His papa was 20 years old at best. This meant she created the robot when she was just 10 years old.

She was able to do seriously advanced computer programming at such a young age. How could anyone have achieved that?

Even though he was pretty decent himself, he was way out of her league.

J paused and said, "You're a computer expert. Why did you choose Bioinformatics anyway?"

It was such a waste of her talent!

Huo Yao slowly took a sip of tea before she said confidently, "What makes you think I'm not good at Bioinformatics?"

J's lips twitched. Sure enough, it was his daddy's style to speak in this manner.

"Oh yes. Where are you from?" Huo Yao started chatting about random things.

J had seen Huo Yao's file on Tsing University's database. "Now that you mention it, we are from the same city."

"Oh really?" Huo Yao had only spoken to J online and they never pried into each other's lives.

Since his family name was rare, Huo Yao promptly thought about Meng Ying who shared the same last name. She smiled ambiguously as she asked him. "Do you live at No. 16, Shihuan Road?"

The moment J heard the address, a look of shock emerged on his face. "How did you know?"

Huo Yao's lips twitched. "Do you really live there?"

"You can say so." J nodded.

Huo Yao had an inkling about his identity now.

Meng Ying had wanted to introduce her cousin to her previously. She recalled Meng Ying mentioning that he was in the IT field.

From the looks of it, it was quite the coincidence.

J was none other than Meng Jue. He glanced at Huo Yao as he contemplated. How did she know so much about him? Was she interested in him? Why else would she investigate his background?

Meng Jue instinctively straightened his back and smoothed out his clothes. On close scrutiny, a blush could be seen on his face.

If his father wanted to take their relationship to the next level, he was open to it.

Huo Yao failed to detect the look on Meng Jue's face. She did not bother explaining that Meng Ying was her classmate. Before long, the food was sent over, so she proceeded to eat unhurriedly.

After lunch, Huo Yao went back to school.

Meng Jue sent her back to school. Before they parted ways, he cleared his throat and said to Huo Yao, "I will talk to your teacher directly about the project. I promise everything will go smoothly."

Huo Yao raised her brow. She was unworried that something might go wrong. "Thanks then."

Meng Jue looked at the school entrance awkwardly and added. "I'm going back to the HQ tomorrow."

"Have a safe trip." Huo Yao nodded. She paused and added. "Your papa will send you something later. I'm sure it will come in handy."

Meng Jue's cheeks twitched. "Why are you still calling yourself 'papa'? Don't you..."

He felt embarrassed to go on, so he stopped mid-sentence.

Chapter 1558 A Chance To Make Up For It

Huo Yao raised her hand and patted Meng Jue on the shoulder before she said candidly, "Don't worry. Papa has already forgiven you."

Since she was rather tall for a woman, she looked like a genial elder when she spoke in this tone with a kind smile on her face.

Meng Jue went speechless.

"I'm going." Huo Yao waved and entered the school.

Meng Jue stood where he was until she was completely out of sight before he finally veered his eyes.

She was clearly still the same. This meant he was imagining things earlier.

Meng Jue pulled his curly hair in annoyance. He suddenly felt relieved that he had stopped mid-sentence. Otherwise, she might have blacklisted him again!

Jie Xi was waiting for Meng Jue by the roadside. When he got closer, Jie Xi opened the car door and asked. "Are you going to the hotel? The regional managers are ready for the video conference."

Meng Jue acknowledged softly. Before he got into the car, he paused to raise his head and said to Jie Xi, "I will give you a chance to make up for it."

Jie Xi was stunned. A grateful look shot out of his eyes. "Uh huh. What do I have to do?"

Meng Jue lowered his eyes and said, "Go to the institute and explain the situation to the president and apologize about changing project partners. After all, we don't want to ruin our ties with them just because they stole someone's work, right?"

Jie Xi instantly caught his boss's drift. "I get it. I will go over there later."

He detested Wei Yong for getting him into such trouble. He finally had the chance to make up for it. If he messed up this time, his career was surely over.

Meng Jue acknowledged softly. His eyes were completely frigid now as he gave off a cold aura. He was warm and easygoing when he interacted with Huo Yao, but he was completely different now.

Someone wanted to steal his papa's research. He could not let them get away with it.

Meng Jue's lips twitched. He bent over and got into the car.

Jie Xi also got into the car. After sending Meng Jue to the hotel, he drove over to the institute.

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Meanwhile, at the National Research Institute of Science and Technology.

President Xue had just come out from the meeting when his secretary ran over hurriedly. She said reverently, "President Xue, Young Master Min is here. He's waiting for you at the office."

President Xue looked delighted to hear this. He waved to the secretary before striding to his office.

The secretary had one other thing to report. She quickly ran after the president and said, "Oh yes. Jie Xi from DO Corporation is here to see you as well!"

President Xue had already gotten to the door. The moment he heard what the secretary mentioned, he paused and turned to look at her. He said in surprise, "Why is he looking for me? Did he mention anything?"

The secretary shook her head. "He did not give any details. He simply said he was here to apologize."

What did this mean?

President Xue felt puzzled. He did not recall having any projects with DO Corporation recently. He paused and added. "Why don't you invite him to the conference room first? I'll be right over."

"Yes, Sir." The secretary nodded politely and turned to leave.

President Xue veered his eyes, opened the slightly open door, and entered the office. When he saw the man sitting on the couch, he said, "Why didn't you tell me that you were coming?"

Min Yu stood up and nodded before he explained. "It was on the way."

President Xue raised his brow. Before long, he spotted the roll of plans on the coffee table and quickly went over to get it. After going through it briefly, the smile on his face widened.

President Xue put down the plans and looked at Min Yu as he asked. "Are you free in the afternoon?"

Min Yu had heard the conversation at the door, so he said, "Just go settle your business first."

President Xue paused and replied. "Good. Wait for me. I'll be back soon."

He put down the plans and left the office hurriedly.

#### Chapter 1559 Clarified Matters In Person

President Xue got to the conference room before long.

Jie Xi stood up and nodded politely. "Hello, President Xue."

President Xue waved at Jie Xi and gestured for him to take a seat first. He got straight to the point and asked. "What did you want to talk about?"

Jie Xi straightened himself and retrieved a contract from his briefcase and handed it to President Xue. As the president flipped through the document, Jie Xi explained the situation unhurriedly.

"Since a mistake has happened, it was only right for me to apologize to you in person and explain everything clearly."

President Xue frowned upon hearing this. He stopped looking at the contract and simply said, "I honestly didn't know about this."

Jie Xi smiled and replied. "I know that you're a busy man, President Xue. It's normal for these things to slip under the radar."

President Xue paused and said, "Why don't I send someone over to clarify the matter?"

"By all means. It would be best if we clarified matters in person." Jie Xi certainly did not mind speaking to Wei Yong face to face.

President Xue nodded. He took out his phone and called the secretary.

After hanging up the phone, he looked at Jie Xi again. "You mentioned the company has already signed the contract with Tsing University's research team, right? As I understand, the AL system belonged to the institute. My subordinate already has the patent for it as well. In that case, the students don't have the rights for commercial use."

Jie Xi replied. "I don't know about the AL system, but I think you made a mistake about the patent, President Xue."

"What do you mean?" President Xue felt puzzled.

"The students have already applied for a patent. When we found out about the patent, we spoke to Tsing University first," explained Jie Xi unhurriedly.

He was angry with Wei Yong, but he did not lie.

The company wanted to develop fourth-generation smart robots. When they found out about the AL system from the patent office, they did their homework regarding it.

After they were done, they contacted Tsing University via email, but Wei Yong reached out to him to take over the project halfway.

Jie Xi felt that he had made a dumb mistake. Tsing University possessed the patent, so he should not have believed Wei Yong when he mentioned that he could handle it.

In hindsight, the only consequence of Wei Yong's actions was to make Jie Xi lose his job.

Jie Xi was scared just thinking about it. Fortunately, his boss had given him a second chance.

When President Xue heard what Jie Xi said, he frowned yet again.

This sounded completely different from what he knew.

A few days ago, he ran into Wei Yong who brought up the patent matter. Wei Yong assured him that he would take care of it as soon as possible. President Xue glanced at Jie Xi and felt that there was no reason for him to lie either.

There must be some kind of misunderstanding.

President Xue was a powerful man, so he was not entirely oblivious to the things people did to get ahead.

Someone knocked on the door.

President Xue snapped out of his thoughts and said, "Enter."

Before long, Wei Yong opened the door and came in. He was unsurprised when he saw Jie Xi sitting in the room.

He had just learned from his secretary that Jie Xi was at the institute.

He could understand if Jie Xi refused to pick up his calls, but he did not understand why Jie Xi suddenly came to the institute to speak to the president.

#### Chapter 1560 Mission Accomplished

Wei Yong felt worried, but he quickly composed himself and nodded politely to Jie Xi. He looked at the president and said, "President Xue, did you want to see me?"

President Xue pointed at the couch and said sternly, "Take a seat."

"Uh huh," acknowledged Wei Yong. He sat down on the couch with his back straight and his hands on his thighs.

"What's going on with the project that you're doing with Tsing University? Mr. Jie said that a huge mistake occurred. What's going on?" asked President Xue candidly in a calm tone.

Wei Yong did not know how Jie Xi felt about the matter. Also, he had no idea what Jie Xi told the president. In any case, this was a serious question. If he did not give the right answer, it would only lead to further misunderstandings.

Wei Yong contemplated briefly before he stood up with his head lowered. "Sorry, President Xue. I'm sorry you had to find out this way. We were engrossed in discussing the project, so we overlooked communicating with Tsing University. This eventually caused some slight problems for us."

When Jie Xi heard the vague inconsequential answer, he could tell that Wei Yong was a conniving man and it was not his first rodeo.

If he allowed Wei Yong to get away with this, he would have made a wasted trip.

Jie Xi tweedled his fingers anxiously and said, "This was my fault. When I found out the university had the patent, I should have given Mr. Wei a heads up. If I told you about it first, Tsing University would never have accused you of stealing their work. My bad."

Jie Xi paused and looked at Wei Yong. "Mr. Wei, I know your personality well. You would never try to steal the students' work out of greed."

He sighed the moment he finished his sentence.

Wei Yong's face became increasingly embarrassed.

Even though Jie Xi sounded as though he was on Wei Yong's side, every word he uttered was lethal.

He was accusing Wei Yong of stealing the students' work and patents.

The patent was very important to President Xue. Everything was already in order, but Tsing University surprisingly already had the patent.

Wei Yong felt if DO Corporation agreed to work with the institute, it would not be an entire loss for President Xue and help him smooth things over. Sadly, he had failed to finalize the project and the president knew everything now.

Stealing work was a serious matter, especially in the academic world. His reputation would take a hit to begin with, along with other consequences.

Jie Xi was accusing not just Wei Yong alone of theft, but also the entire institute.

The more Wei Yong pondered, the more his mind buzzed anxiously. He did not even dare to see the look on President Xue's face.

President Xue genuinely looked annoyed. Since outsiders were present, he did not lose his cool. He simply said, "Stealing work is a huge mistake. Thanks for letting me know. We will talk to Tsing University about this."

Wei Yong promptly broke out in cold sweat.

He knew exactly what the president meant by this.

“You are too kind, President Xue. I’m glad we managed to clarify things.” Jie Xi had gotten what he came for, so he decided to drop the matter. He checked the watch and stood up. “In that case, I’ll make myself scarce.”

President Xue nodded and stood up as well.

Before long, Jie Xi walked out of the office.

The moment he was gone, a serious look emerged on President Xue’s face.