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Luna sighed and laid next to Gwen. She placed her head against Gwen's and stared at the ceiling with her. "You...still can't forget Luke, huh?"

Gwen closed her eyes as tears rolled down her face. "Yes."

She smiled bitterly with her eyes closed. "Actually, I know everything. A long while ago." Luna's heart skipped a beat when she heard that.

"W... What do you mean?"

"I know Luke is no longer with us." Gwen curled up her lips bitterly. Her voice sounded weak and faded as though it came from far away. "You've all been lying to me in hopes to protect me from the truth. You want me to believe Luke is still alive and that he doesn't want to be together with me anymore, but..." Her voice choked. "I knew he's long gone for a while now. He gave me his heart and wants me to live a happy life together with him...but he forgot how much I love him. How can I live happily without him?"

Luna was so shocked by this news that she did not know how to respond. She sat on the bed and looked at Gwen with pity. "Gwen, when...did you find out?" "About the same time as you." Gwen sniffled.

All the while, she had been pretending she did not know. It was as if by doing that, Luke would still be alive. She knew everything but pretended to know nothing and acted like she was her jovial self in front of Luna and Bonnie that she had nearly forgotten Luke.

That was until she was in Saigen City. She realized how pitiful and sad she was. It was just impossible to forget Luke and avoid the sadness she felt. In spite of that, she kept deluding herself that she could pretend to live a normal happy life and not face how she truly felt.

Luna bit her lip. Her heart was in pain when she saw how sad Gwen was. She bent down and slowly picked up Gwen's head and placed it on her thigh. "Gwen. I meant to hide it from you because..."

Because she did not know how deep Gwen's feelings were for Luke.

Gwen had, from the start, planned to leave Luke before the surgery. She thought Gwen would eventually let it go and forgot about him. It never occurred to Luna that Gwen had known Luke was not with them anymore and had been pretending all the while. "I'm sorry." After a short moment of silence, these were the only words Luna could say.

"I don't blame you." Gwen smiled bitterly and continued to gaze at the ceiling. "I thought about it too. If I were you, maybe I'd also hide it from you and tell you when you've

moved past it all. Only then, you'll feel less stressed. I bet you think the same too, so I never blame you

After that, she closed her eyes and kept quiet for a long time. A while later, she opened her eyes. "But Luna, I dreamt of Luke last night."

At the same time, in the conference room of Hughes Group.

with an escort from the few managers of the Hughes Group, Joshua and Thomas entered the conference room. The seat labeled with the name 'Steven Hughes' was still empty

Joshua glanced at that seat remotely.

One of the managers quickly responded, "I'm sorry, Mr. Lynch. Mr. Steven will be with us very shortly." Just as he finished his sentence, someone opened the door.

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Steven's secretary was the one who opened the door to the conference room. Steven took a deep breath and entered the conference room.

He thought Thomas was attending the meeting on his own. To his surprise, another man was with him, possessing a powerful aura and a cold-looking face – Joshua. The man looked tall and strong, his head lowered as he skimmed through the documents at hand.

"Mr. Lynch, Mr. Hughes is here."

The man cocked his head at the announcement. When he saw Steven, Joshua, admittedly, was taken aback.

This man...was the spitting image of. Even the unnoticeable scar at the corner of his eye was exactly the same as Luke's! Perhaps others would not take notice of the scar, but not Joshua. He remembered very vividly how Luke got that scar. It was when Luke teamed up with him during a mission in Sea City to rescue Luna. Luke accidentally got hurt when he was fighting with the enemy. After that, they became best friends. Luke even joked with Joshua saying that the scar under his brow near the corner of his eye was the proof of their brotherhood.

With this man standing before him, the one called Mr. Hughes had the same body, same face, and even the same scar as Luke.

He was not Mr. Hughes! He was Luke! Steven felt disconcerted with the way Joshua looked at him. He furrowed his brow and sat at the host seat he was led to. He looked at Joshua. "You must be Mr. Lynch. Nice to meet you." Even his sound was identical to

Luke's. However, the temperament he encompassed and the way he spoke were different from Luke's. When Luke spoke, his voice sounded deep and moody. Steven's voice sounded warm and clear like a spring breeze. The huge difference in the voice finally drew Joshua's thoughts back to reality. Joshua smiled lightly and retracted his look. "I've heard many things about you, Mr. Hughes. I just didn't expect..."

He took a good look at Steven again. "I didn't expect you to look so identical to a friend of mine."

Steven curled up his lip and remembered how Kate used to tell him how Joshua liked to use the 'old-friend' tactic to close the gap between him and a stranger. Thus, he smiled. "It's an honor to share the resemblance." After that, he diverted the topic. "Mr. Lynch, you and Mr. Howard come here to talk business with me. Shall we start now? We can be friends later." Joshua narrowed his eyes. "What does he mean? Does he think I was trying to be on his good side to gain more benefits in the partnership by saying he looks like my old friend? If that's what it is, then he sees no further than his nose and has too little experience."

After all, it would not take too much effort for Steven to find out Joshua had been in the business for far too long and that he did not need to pull any strings to be on anyone's good side.

A businessman would always put benefit and profit as his first priority. If both parties could not agree on the same term, it would not work no matter how close they were. Then again, no one needed to be in the industry for an extended period to know this.

Even Thomas, who had been in the entertainment industry, knew about this theory.

Nonetheless, this man who looked identical to Luke did not know about it. He even thought Joshua was someone who would use connections to get more profit.

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From this point, it should be just a coincidence for this man to look identical to Luke. Both men were far different in terms of their behavior.

Joshua was a typical businessman. Since Steven already held a sort of apprehension toward him during their first meeting, it also showed Joshua that Steven was not good with business dealings. After the negotiation, not only did Joshua have what he wanted, he even obtained a huge profit from Steven. In the meantime, Steven did not know he suffered a big loss, even though he was on the winning side.

After the negotiation was completed, Steven wanted to treat Joshua and Thomas to lunch excitedly.

"I don't think that's necessary. I've another schedule on hand, and Mr. Howard needs to rush to his next appointment." Joshua stood up and looked at Steven with a remote expression. His voice sounded very flat as he added, "Wasn't Mr. Hughes the one who said you didn't like to make friends?"

Steven looked embarrassed when he heard that. He tried to explain, "Mr. Lynch, I don't mean that..."

"Nevermind." Joshua waved his hand and stopped Steven from explaining. "We're just business partners. There's no need for other interaction other than that."

He looked at Thomas, who was still in shock. "Let's go."

Thomas finally regained his senses and followed Joshua to leave the conference room. When they left Hughes Group and entered the car, Thomas gave Joshua a big thumbs up. "You're amazing!"

Yes, Thomas asked for Joshua's help, but he never saw what Joshua was like during a business negotiation. He was supposed to attend today's meeting by himself because the cooperation with Hughes Group was not important in Joshua's plan.

After Yannie mentioned Denise in the morning, Joshua changed his mind and decided to follow Thomas to the negotiation.

Thomas could only use one word to describe the result of the negotiation—marvelous.

In the past, Thomas had many misunderstandings with Joshua, which included the achievement Joshua had today due to the glory of his family back in the day. It was on this day, after witnessing the negotiation with Steven, that he saw how eloquent and persuasive Joshua was. He believed Joshua had the ability to turn right into wrong and vice versa, which amazed him profoundly, especially after seeing how happy Steven was after Steven suffered a big loss.

He was downright impressed with Joshua.

Joshua closed his eyes and leaned back on the car seat lazily, massaging his temple. "You know Steven before?"

Thomas nodded. "Yes. His father was my old man's family friend. I saw him a couple of times."

Joshua opened his eyes and squinted again. "Is this what he looks like?"

Thomas paused and nodded. "You think he looked identical to Luke, don't you?"

He changed his seating posture to feel more comfortable. "I also discovered it after I came back here this time. This is what he looks like, but I only saw him a few times and never really made friends with him.

When I was in Merchant City, I thought Luke looked very familiar the first time I saw him, but I can't remember who he looked like. It was only after I came back here and saw Steven did I remember...that these two look alarmingly similar. "I know Luke is your friend and Gwen's beloved man, but..."

Thomas paused. "I can testify he's not Luke. He's Steven Hughes."

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The assuring tone from Thomas had Joshua furrowed his brow. He massaged his aching temple with frustration. "Are you that sure he's Steven Hughes and not Luke?"

How could two people look so identical with the same scar on the forehead? It was understandable that they could look similar from their appearances and figure as they came naturally. Nonetheless, it was a whole different story for the scar as it was only formed due to other external factors. Even if it could be at the same place, the shape could not possibly look the same too.

Thomas sighed. "You saw it too, Joshua. The way Steven talks, his temperament, and the way he thinks is far different from Luke's. Even if your suspicion is correct, then how do Kate and the Hughes family manage to turn Luke into this person in one month and more? That's impossible!"

He patted Joshua's shoulder. "I really don't think Steven is Luke. You shouldn't think too much. The most important thing for you to do now is let Luna bring Gwen away. Leave Saigen City as soon as possible." Joshua squinted and looked at Thomas coldly.

Thomas continued, "Think about it. Even you started to be dubious when you saw Steven and think that Steven is Luke. What if Gwen saw Steven? She could go crazy. Besides..."

He sighed. "I heard the Hughes and Miller families are in the talks of Steven's marriage with Kate. Their engagement news will soon be all over the city. Do you think Gwen could accept seeing the wedding photo of Kate and Steven who looks like Luke all over the city?"

Joshua remained silent. After a while, he closed his eyes. "Alright. I know."

Indeed, the best choice was to let Luna bring Gwen away from this city. Regardless of whether Steven was Luke or not...they could not let Gwen see Steven. Gwen was still weak. If she saw Steven and Kate's wedding photo like Thomas suggested, her heart would shatter into pieces.

With that thought in his mind, he picked up his phone and texted Luna. (How's The Spring Resort? Is it fun?)

Luna replied while having her coffee sitting on the chaise lounge, (Yes. Very fun!)

At this moment, Yannie and Gwen went to the sauna. Luna, never a fan of feeling suffocated because of the heat, did not join them. She picked up her phone and wanted to text Joshua when he texted her first.

She took a sip of her coffee and texted Joshua swiftly.

(We don't have to hide the secret from Gwen anymore. She confessed to me today that she knew all about it. She knew it when Bonnie and I knew Luke was dead after donating his heart to her. Her emotions have been erratic because she knew all about it.)

After that, she sent a sighing emoji.

(I think Gwen is stronger than we thought.) * Luna knew how fragile Gwen was in the past. That was why she thought it was right not to tell

Gwen about Luke. Nonetheless, she finally understood Gwen was far stronger than she thought Gwen could be when she told her she knew about everything today.

Maybe Gwen looked weak and was willful because Luke was there to look after her. Since Luke was no longer with her, she started to grow strong.

Or maybe...it was Luke's heart that made her stronger than before.

On the other side of the phone, Joshua furrowed his brow when he saw the text message. [It's good that she found out. We don't have to hide it from her anymore.]