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It was probably just a guideline.

She did not want Michael to be too proactive with her before this anyway.

"I'll head back first." Monica lowered her head and put on her shoes.

Michael instinctively squatted down and was about to put it on for her when Monica blurted out, "Don't touch me."

Michael's hand, which was by Monica's feet, stiffened in embarrassment.

After Monica shouted, she felt a little guilty.

Just a second ago, she had the fear that she would be touched by something dirty.

Michael retracted his hand. "I'm sorry. I keep forgetting. I'll watch out next time."

Monica rejected him, but at the same time, she felt guilty. She believed that if this continued, she would go crazy.

Nevertheless, she gritted her teeth and forced herself to become cold-blooded, so much so that she did not notice Michael's pain.

She quickly put on her shoes and stood up from the swing.

She said, "About what I told you this morning, any results on that?"

"They'll come up with a plan for me tomorrow. I've asked for the first draft in the afternoon, so it shouldn't be too much of a problem." Michael smiled.

Even after she rejected him, he was still extremely gentle to her.

That made her feel even guiltier.

However, she did not show give in. Instead, she said, "I'll take my leave now"

She was about to leave in her high heels and had just taken a step when she lost her balance.

"Ah!" Monica screamed.

Michael quickly caught her in his arms.

Monica was so scared that she was sweating. Her ankle had just recovered, and she did not want to break it again.

Michael broke out in a cold sweat and asked with concern, "Are you alright?"

"I'm fine." Monica calmed down and stood up straight.

By then, Michael had also let go of her.

"I'll send you out," Michael said.

Just as he said that, he seemed to realize that he had said the wrong thing. "Be careful and don't fall."

In the end, Monica could not be so heartless.

Especially when Michael said that it would not be a big problem for them to break up, she became less guarded and resistant toward him.

She said, "In that case, I'll have to trouble you to send me out."

At that moment, Michael's eyes lit up.

Monica shifted her gaze.

She always felt that she was hurting a person who treated her well. Yet, she did not like him anymore.

She and Michael walked side by side out of the banquet hall from the back garden and to the entrance, where Michael's car was already parked.

Monica frowned.

Michael opened the car door for Monica and hurriedly said, "I'll get the driver to send you back. I'm not leaving."

Monica felt that she was judging a gentleman with her own narrow-mindedness. She thought that Michael would go with her, but she did not expect that he would get the driver to send her home.

Seeing that Monica did not get into the car, Michael said, "It's late, and I'll worry if someone else sends you away."

"Thank you, Michael."

"Go back and get some rest." Michael smiled.

Monica was grateful to him.

Then, she got into the car and left.

As the car drove off, Michael looked at the back of the car and his expression changed.

He refused to believe that he could not make Monica change her mind after using all his tricks and schemes.

His eyes moved, and he saw a paparazzi disappear from his sight.

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The banquet hall was still bustling with noise and excitement.

In a corner of the hall, Eden and Joshua were drinking together.

For the entire night, the two of them were in a low mood.

Joshua could not accept that everyone's attention at the banquet was on Jeanne. He was the chairman of Lawrence Enterprise, but no one took the initiative to greet him. Even when his mother took him around to socialize, no one talked to him about Lawrence Enterprise. He was not recognized by the outsiders at all.

The more he thought about it, the angrier he got.

Of course, Eden was even angrier to see Jeanne handling the banquet with ease and pride and his Fourth Uncle being fawned on by the people.

He, who had always been proud, never thought that there would be a day when he would be in such a sorry state.

As a member of the Swans, not only was he ignored, but no one took the initiative to socialize with him today as well. He even heard some people mocking him, saying that he had been blind back then. Otherwise, how could he have cheated on Jeanne for Jasmine? It was a big loss to him.

He had suffered a great loss!

He could see Jeanne's face, her graceful figure, and her beautiful smile...

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The anger he was suppressing started showing on his face.

He forced himself to look away and said to Joshua, "Tonight's the night."

"What?" Joshua was so nervous that his hands trembled.

"What are you afraid of? I've already arranged everything for you." Eden looked at Joshua disappointedly.

"But...Would it succeed?" Joshua glanced at Quinn.

That woman had been by her fiance's side the entire night. How could he let her into his bed?

"Don't worry. Since I said it's possible, it definitely will be. Just do as I say."

"Alright." Joshua nodded.

Rather than worrying and being afraid, he was obviously more excited.

Eden glanced at Michael, who was not far away and who also gave Eden a look. Then, Eden told Joshua to stay far away before he walked toward Michael.

Michael and Eden were classmates, and most people knew that they had a good relationship. Therefore, it was normal for the two of them to talk at the banquet.

Jeanne turned around and saw the two of them standing together.

She quietly shifted her gaze away because she did not want to arouse anyone's suspicion and glanced at Quinn, who was holding onto her fiancé's arm.

There was no emotion on her face.

After Eden and Michael parted ways, Michael walked directly to Quinn.

Michael and Quinn's fiancé were both in politics, so they naturally had more topics to talk about.

As the two of them chatted happily, a waiter walked past Michael with a wine glass.

Michael stopped the waiter and very naturally changed a glass of champagne for Quinn and her fiancé. He also took a glass for himself, and the three of them drank the champagne together.

Eden watched from a distance with a cold smile on his face.

The night was getting darker, but the banquet was still ongoing, and only a few people had left.

Suddenly, Quinn felt very sleepy. However, no matter how much she tried to get herself to stay awake, she still felt very sleepy. As such, she rubbed her temples.

"What's wrong?" Michael seemed to have noticed something wrong with her.

"It's nothing. I'm just a little dizzy. It's probably because I've been working overtime for too long recently, so I haven't had a good rest."

"You always used to take your homework seriously, but I can't believe you're still so hardworking now that you're a working adult."

"I have no choice. I can't embarrass the Sanders."

"In that case, I'll send you back," her fiancé said considerately.

"No need. My big brother hasn't left yet, and it's inappropriate for you to leave." Quinn said, "I'll find my way back by myself. You can talk to Michael more. After all, my dad has always admired Michael."

"Don't say that. The leader must like Jim more. Otherwise, he wouldn't have chosen him as your fiancé."

"My dad said what he likes about you the most is that not only do you speak nicely and handle things accordingly, but you also know your limits."

Michael appeared a little humble. "The leader flatters me."

"Let's leave it at that. I'll head back first." Quinn really did feel sleepy.

"Give me a call when you're home," Jim said with concern.

Quinn nodded.

In reality, they were just in a political marriage. They did not have feelings for each other, and it was just a show to outsiders.

Moreover, Quinn was a very independent person and would not let anyone see her weaknesses.

She fought back the sleepiness and walked out of the banquet hall.

As Eden and Joshua saw her leave, Eden gave Joshua a look.

Joshua immediately followed.

Jeanne watched Joshua walk past her and excused herself to the washroom, leaving Edward alone.

She walked into the washroom to send Miles a message. "Joshua is out. Keep an eye on him for me, and remember to take a video."

"Alright," he said.

Just as Jeanne came out of the bathroom, she bumped into Eden.

Jeanne reacted as if nothing had happened, and Eden reacted the same way.

"I didn't think I would regret it so much one day," Eden said bluntly.

Jeanne sneered.

"I really regret losing you."

Jeanne left without even looking at Eden.

Eden gritted his teeth.

One day, he would make that woman regret it as much as he did now!

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Finally, the banquet finally came to an end, and William, as thoughtful as he was, sent off his guests one by one.

Jeanne held Edward's arm and got into his luxurious car.

It had been a long night, and she was very tired.

Edward hugged her, allowing her to get closer to him.

The two of them were very intimate. When they were together, they were always intimate with each other. It seemed to have become a habit.

Just then, the phone in Jeanne's hand lit up. It was a message from Miles. "Joshua has brought Quinn to the hotel. I've sent the address to you."

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Jeanne narrowed her eyes. Joshua was indeed bold. She struggled to get up from Edward's body. She asked, "Can I borrow Dr. Jones for a while?" "What?" Edward raised his eyebrows. Jeanne did not hide anything from Edward and showed him the text message that Miles just sent her.

Edward understood immediately.

He said, "Just call Finn."

"Will he listen to me?"

"He will." Edward was certain.

Jeanne did not seem to believe him.

"Finn and Nox will listen to you."

Was she picking up on something within that sentence? However, she stopped herself from thinking too much.

At that moment, she picked up the phone and called Finn directly. "Dr. Jones, it's me."

Finn was probably asleep.

Even though he did not sound asleep, it rang a few times before the call was connected. In that case, he probably fell asleep some time ago.

Jeanne could not help but secretly sigh.

Although Monica's approach was absolutely wrong when it came to Michael, Monica and Finn shared the same feelings for each other. However, after the divorce, Monica would go to sleep drunk every day while Finn could still live a normal life.

It still made Jeanne feel a little upset.

"What's the matter?"

"I remember I was once drugged, and you gave me a medicine that instantly made me feel much better," Jeanne said bluntly.

Finn's hand that was holding the phone tightened.

Yes, he had that medicine.

The first experiment on Jeanne was basically a success.

However, the medicine did not help him because he was drugged when he slept with Monica.

"Do you need it?" Finn asked, his tone naturally calm.

"I'll send you a location. Please bring the pill to a friend of mine. I've also sent you his phone number." Jeanne said, "While you're at it, help my friend. His name is Miles. I'm getting him to help me with something that he might not be able to do alone."

"Alright." Finn really did agree.

On top of that, he did not question her.

She turned to look at Edward, who seemed to have expected that as he was not surprised.

"Thank you," Jeanne expressed her gratitude.

Finn acknowledged in response before Jeanne hung up the phone and turned to look at Edward.

The two of them suddenly fell silent.

"How did you know Joshua was going to make a move on Quinn?" Edward broke the silence.

"I guessed it," Jeanne said bluntly.

However, it was obvious that she was right.

"You're smarter than I thought." Edward was smiling.

Jeanne did not know if there was a hint of cruelty hidden in his smile.

She wondered if the more impressive her performance was, the more guarded he would be against her.

Nevertheless, she leaned into his arms again and said, "Can you help me investigate Michael?"

Edward frowned.

It was because Jeanne had suddenly changed the topic.

"Monica has been investigating him for a long time, but she hasn't found anything." Jeanne said frankly, "But I have a feeling that he has ulterior motives toward Monica."

"I've been investigating him for a long time." Edward did not hide it from Jeanne.

Jeanne looked up at him.

"I know the background of everyone who is a threat to me. However, I'm sorry to tell you that I haven't found any clues about him yet." Edward said, "But Michael isn't a good person."

Jeanne agreed.

"This kind of person is only temporarily hiding his ambitions, so he's very careful. Once he shows his ambitions, it's easy to catch him in the act."

"So, you think the best way to deal with Michael now is to sit and wait."

"Yes." Edward nodded. "But if you want to speed it up, I can get Nox to help you."

"Forget it," Jeanne rejected him. "The worst has happened. Monica already believes that Michael, and she has chosen to divorce Finn, so there's no rush.

Edward nodded and did not say much.

It did not take long before the car arrived at Bamboo Garden.

The two of them then returned to their room and washed up.

As soon as Jeanne lay down, her phone rang. She glanced at the caller ID before answering the call.

Edward got up and left the bed. On his way to the balcony, he grabbed a pack of cigarettes.

They seemed to have a tacit understanding not to invade each other's privacy. Rather than respect, it was more like they were keeping a distance.

If they did not get too involved in each other's affairs, he wouldn't be too involved with each other.

Jeanne glanced at Edward's back and regained her senses. "Quinn."

"Thank you for tonight."

"How are you?" Jeanne asked.

"I'm much better now, thanks to your friend."

"Go back and get some rest."

"How did you know they were going to attack me?"

"I warned you," Jeanne said.

"But I didn't expect him to be so bold." No matter how much Quinn endured, she could not conceal her anger.

Hence, she did not take Jeanne's words to heart.

"Joshua isn't that bold, but Eden is. To be more precise..." Jeanne paused. "Perhaps someone is supporting him from behind.

"Who is it?" Quinn asked.

"I don't have any evidence, so I can't tell you now."

"You mean the people around me?" Quinn could think of it immediately.

Jeanne did not answer, and Quinn did not force her to answer either.

"I've already called the police, and Joshua is being detained," Quinn suddenly said.

"You're the one who's hurt. I'll go with your arrangements." Jeanne did not want to interfere in their affairs.

To her, chasing Joshua away and obtaining all of Lawrence Enterprise's shares was her goal.

As for how miserable Joshua's fate would be, that was his own business.

"I owe you a favor," Quinn said at the end of the call.

Jeanne's lips curled into a smile.

It was killing two birds with one stone, which was not a bad thing at all.

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Jeanne got out of bed after the call, opened the floor-to-ceiling window, and walked to the balcony.

On the balcony, Edward was smoking.

Smoke filled the air, and the red cigarette butt flickered in the night.

Upon sensing Jeanne coming out of the room, he put out his cigarette and was about to turn around when Jeanne hugged him from behind.

Edward was smiling.

"Do you usually smoke a lot?" Jeanne asked.

"Sometimes ... "

"I smoke too." Jeanne confessed.

"I know." Edward's answer surprised Jeanne little.

She had never done so in front of Edward.

"When I came back, I saw some cigarette butts at home. If it wasn't yours..." Edward deliberately dragged his tone.

If it were not her, it would be a wild man's cigarette buds.

Jeanne smiled and did not explain further.

She did not think Edward was so narrow-minded that he could not accept women smoking.

In fact, she told him that she smoked just to let him know that she did not mind him smoking in front of her and that he did not have to put out the cigarette every time she appeared.

"It's late. Let's go to sleep," Jeanne said.

Edward nodded.

With that, the two of them returned to the bed together.

As soon as they lay down, Edward sat up again. He rummaged through the bedside cabinet and took out an allergy cream.

Jeanne was surprised.

Edward passed the cream to Jeanne and said, "Apply it on my body for me."

"Huh?"

"I'm allergic," Edward said.

Only then did Jeanne remember that Edward had eaten the chocolate in her mouth tonight.

At that moment, her face was blushing. However, she was also a little flustered and exasperated.

He knew he was allergic to chocolate, yet he still kissed her. Did that guy care more about flirting than his life?

Even so, she took the cream and lifted Edward's clothes, revealing the countless red dots on his body which made him look a little ferocious.

Jeanne did not expect it to be so serious. After all, he had only eaten so little.

Upon careful consideration, she had also given George chocolate-related food when he was allergic. After George ate it, he instantly turned red, and it frightened her to the core.

As expected, genetics were indescribable.

"Does it itch?" Jeanne asked as she helped him apply the cream.

"It's manageable"

That meant it was itchy, and he was just holding it in.

She asked, "Why didn't you have me apply the cream for you earlier?"

"I thought I could endure it."

"Why do you have to endure it in front of me?"

"I like to act tough." Edward laid on the bed and said in a domineering manner.

However, the next second, he suddenly twisted his body to her.

"Yes, there. Scratch it for me."

Jeanne was speechless. Since he wanted to act tough, he should not ask her for help.

"There's no need to act tough in front of my wife."

Anyway, he had said everything.

Jeanne applied the cream on Edward's body and scratched his back for him. After scratching it, it looked even redder and more ferocious.

"Can you watch what you put in your mouth?" Jeanne could not help but grumble as she looked at his tragic back.

"It's a little difficult to stay away from your lips."

"..."

"However, it'll be fine as long as you don't eat chocolate in the future," Edward said matter-of-factly.

F*ck. What a sinister man.

He was beating around the bush to scheme against her.

It was food that he could not eat, yet he still wanted others to not to eat it with him.

How cunning could he be?

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The next day, Jeanne's alarm clock rang for a second before she immediately turned it off.

She looked at the time, 7:30 a.m., and stretched her back.

When she got up, she saw that the man beside her was still sleeping.

She did not know when it started, but the fellow beside her was getting better and better quality sleep.

In the past, he was the one who got up first.

Now, as long as she did not get out of bed, he would not move at all.

Just as she was about to get off the bed, she thought for a moment and gently lifted Edward's pajamas.

She was not sure if the cream from last night had any effect.

Just as she lifted his pajamas up, she heard someone say, "I see you're in high spirits early in the morning."

Jeanne's hands trembled.

Edward laughed with his eyes closed.

"You don't have to take advantage to touch me while I'm sleeping. I don't mind being ravaged by you." A certain someone opened his eyes. A certain someone opened his eyes, and there seemed to be a hint of lust in them.

Jeanne immediately ran off.

She knew from that familiar gaze that something would happen in the next second.

With that, she went into the bathroom to wash up.

All traces of Edward's allergy had disappeared overnight. What kind of medicine was so powerful?

She figured she had to prepare two tubes of that cream for George as well.

After all, what would happen if George accidentally ate something with chocolate?

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With that thought in mind, Jeanne came out after washing up.

Edward lay on the bed as if waiting for her.

"Don't you have work today?" Jeanne asked.

"I have other things to deal with today." Edward replied, "My appointment is at 10 a.m. It's still early."

"In that case, you should sleep for a while more. I'll head off now."

"Jeannie." Edward stopped her.

"What?" Jeanne's eyes moved slightly.

"Come here. Let me hug you."

Jeanne refused as that hug would definitely last the entire morning, and she would not be able to escape.

Hence, she ran away again.

After breakfast, Jeanne drove to Lawrence Enterprise.

Jeanne had seen the news and realized the matter of Joshua's arrest had not been exposed yet. Perhaps the Sanders did not want to blow up the matter, so they did not announce it to the public. After all, no matter what, Joshua's actions last night affected Quinn's reputation.

With that, she picked up her phone and dialed, "Miles."

"Yes."

"How was Quinn's condition last night?"

"She was a little devastated at first, but she slowly calmed down."

"Did you take the video I asked you to?"

"I'll send it to you."

"Alright," he said.

"By the way, Jake Crawford also appeared last night."

"Who?"

"He's the man who followed Finn last time. He's the retired special forces soldier from the Sanders."

"Did you get a clip of him?"

"For one second, but we should be able to identify him."

"Alright." That was good news. Then, Jeanne said, "Good work last night."

"Finn also contributed a lot last night."

"Yeah."

Jeanne hung up the phone and immediately dialed Finn's number. "I didn't wake you up, did I?"

"I have a long break every day, so you're not disturbing me in any way," Finn said bluntly.

After all, he had been asked to "recuperate at home" and was not allowed to go to work at the hospital.

"Thank you for last night."

"It's nothing." Finn appeared very polite.

"Did Miles tell you? Jake Crawford, the man who followed you last time, was also there."

"He did." Finn's tone was cold. "But that's not important to me."

"Don't you want to know who's plotting against you?" Jeanne asked, "Or in other words, don't you want to expose Michael?"

"I don't want to." Finn said, "It doesn't affect my personal interests, so I don't want to waste time on it."

"Monica is nothing to you anymore, right?"

"Nope."

"Finn, you're too rational."

"I just know some people are not worth my time."

"Monica actually likes you very much."

"But the person she trusts the most is Michael."

"In that case, shouldn't you show her what kind of person Michael is and let her know how stupid she was back then?!"

"That's her own business." Finn still remained cold and indifferent.

Jeanne felt that whatever she said would be useless.

After all, it was their relationship, and outsiders should not interfere in that matter.

She said, "After Monica found out that you've completely given up on her, she's been drunk every night. In her drunken state, she said she missed you but didn't dare to get close to you because she knew you hated her. She's actually not doing too well."

"But she still thinks that Michael is the best."

Jeanne pursed her lips, speechless. "That's because she hasn't seen Michael's bad side."

"Jeanne. Do you think you can be half-hearted in a relationship?" Finn asked her in return.

"No, but there can be extenuating circumstances."

"Monica and I have broken up twice. The first time was a misunderstanding, so we could let go of it. However, the second time wasn't a misunderstanding. That was when Monica knew that I didn't accept her doing this, yet she still gave up everything for Michael. What am I to Monica?"

Jeanne bit her lip and had nothing to say.

"Not all harm can be forgiven in the name of 'love'. I have my own principles." Finn said, "I can't accept being abandoned, yet I was abandoned by Monica twice."

Jeanne believed Finn had completely given up on his relationship with Monica. Once a person gave up, it would be really, really difficult to rekindle the relationship.

She felt that between Monica and Finn, either Monica would always love him but could not get him or she would choose to let go.

In short, their relationship was no longer possible.

Jeanne did not say anything else.

After all, if she said too much, he would be annoyed.

With that, she hung up the phone and continued to drive seriously until she arrived at Lawrence Enterprise.

As she walked into her office, Amy ran in and said breathlessly, "President Lawrence, something bad has happened."

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Jeanne thought that Joshua's matter had been exposed, so she did not care too much about it.

What she needed to do now was to find a way to get Joshua's shares for herself.

After all, there was still Jenifer, and Jeanne was not the first heir.

"It's Jenifer. Your stepmother is holding a press conference in Lawrence Enterprise's conference room. She's accusing you of being heartless to her, saying that you're an ingrate and that you deliberately incited Chairman Lawrence to do illegal things,"

Jeanne was also stunned at that moment.

Only then was it made clear to her that Michael and Eden had received news of Joshua's arrest last night.

The two of them could not just sit and wait for the consequences to get them, so they thought of this.

They wanted to use that matter to accuse her and make her the scapegoat.

However, they could dream on.

As she walked out of the office, Amy followed behind her. "President Lawrence, where are you going?"

"Let's go to the scene to take a look."

"But now, everyone's sympathizing with your stepmother. It's not just the reporters and media. Even some people in the company are secretly—"

"That's why I should clarify myself."

With that thought in mind, she walked to the conference room and then pushed open the door.

Jenifer's heartwrenching cries could be heard from inside. "Let me ask you, have I not treated Jeanne well enough all these years? Her mother passed away when she was eight years old, and I've been taking care of her since then. I've always been biased toward her, giving her everything she needed first

before giving them to my son and daughter. However, I never thought that she would frame Joshua and me for the sake of the family's inheritance. I really don't understand why. I'm really disappointed, and that's why I'm exposing her in front of everyone. I really can't take it anymore..."

At that, Jenifer cried even harder.

The reporters quickly asked, "Mrs. Lawrence, do you mean Jeanne has been treating you badly all these years?"

"She has never accepted me, Jasmine, and Joshua. I thought it was because she was still young and that things would get better after a few more years. However, who would've thought that she would still be the same after so many years? In front of her grandfather and father, she's very friendly with me, but behind my back, she's always picking on me. She would deliberately bump into me when she walks past me and would often secretly call me a b*tch." The more Jenifer spoke, the harder she cried.

"However, I didn't want to start a conflict in my family, so I kept it in for so many years. Ever since her grandfather and father passed away, the majority of Lawrence Enterprise's shares have been given to Joshua, and she has become even more ruthless. From time to time, she would threaten Joshua and me, asking us to give up our shares. We didn't agree. After all, the Old Master left these shares behind for Joshua. He wanted Joshua to inherit the Lawrence Enterprise. If we gave them to Jeanne, we would be letting the man down, and that was why we didn't agree to it. Hence, Jeanne relied on her current abilities and the Swans' help to take full control of Lawrence Enterprise's decision-making process."

Jenifer looked pitiful as she said, "You guys might not know why Eden chose to leave Lawrence Enterprise. It wasn't as he wrote on his Facebook, that it was because he believed Jeanne had the ability to manage Lawrence Enterprise. In fact, Jeanne forced him to leave. Jeanne must've said something to Fourth Master Swan since she's married to him. Eden, the obedient child he has been, naturally wouldn't resist when his Fourth Uncle told him to leave Lawrence Enterprise."

"Does that mean Eden left Lawrence Enterprise because Jeanne asked Fourth Master Swan to kick him out?"

"Yes. Jeanne is afraid that Eden is too capable and that she won't be able to control the entire Lawrence Enterprise." Jenifer insisted.

"I didn't expect Jeanne to be such a person." The reporter could not help but sigh.

Another reporter chimed in, "Isn't she rich? She has tens of billions of dollars and is married to Fourth Master Swan. She's so rich, yet she's still fighting over some small assets with others."

"That's right. She's too greedy."

The reporters could not help but complain.

However, Jeanne did not walk out.

She was standing in a corner where no one could see her, watching Jenifer's performance.

After all, she needed a lot of evidence before she could expose Jenifer.

Words were useless, and Jenifer's accusation would give people preconceived notions about Jeanne.

Jenifer wiped her tears and said, "I know I shouldn't wash our dirty linen in public, and I never thought that I would one day sit here and expose all of Jeanne's disguises. Even if Jeanne took control of Lawrence Enterprise, I thought it would be because Joshua was not capable enough and needed Jeanne to take charge of the entire operation. However, I never thought that I would have to criticize Jeanne's actions like this. I really do want to get along well with Jeanne. From the moment I entered the Lawrence family's residence, I've been treating Jeanne as my own daughter, but..."

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As if she had thought of something sad, Jenifer's tears fell even harder.

"I didn't expect Jeanne to frame Joshua, her younger brother, like that. I can't believe she... set Joshua up to harass Ms. Sanders!" Jenifer became upset. She looked as if she had never expected it to happen and could not accept it. "Joshua is indeed not as capable as Jeanne. All these years, I've also felt inferior compared to Jeanne. She always looks down on Joshua, and recently, Joshua has basically been a decoration in Lawrence Enterprise. Joshua is at the lowest point of his life, and it's been hard on him."

"So, when Jeanne suddenly said that she could return Lawrence Enterprise to him and that she would return the company to him if he managed to win Ms. Sanders' heart, Joshua was tempted. Jeanne said that Ms. Sanders is very capable and could help Joshua manage the Lawrence Enterprise. That way, she can leave Lawrence Enterprise without worry." Jenifer's tears continued to flow as she said, "Joshua has been wanting to please Jeanne since he was young, so he naturally listened to Jeanne. In fact, he too liked Ms. Sanders, but because he knew she had a fiancé, he hid his feelings and never thought of doing anything to Ms. Sanders. He just watched from afar and admired her ability to work, not expecting Jeanne to ask him to pursue Ms. Sanders out of the blue. She even said that he could compete fairly for Ms. Sanders' hand if she was not engaged."

"Joshua couldn't resist Jeanne's persuasion, so he did it." Jenifer continued, "But it's obvious that Ms. Sanders doesn't have feelings for Joshua. Every time Joshua tried to get close to her, Ms. Sanders would reject him. Joshua decided to give up, so he told Jeanne that he couldn't do it anymore and that he didn't want to ruin Ms. Sanders' relationship. Then, Jeanne incited Joshua to use illegal means to deal with Ms. Sanders, saying that a woman's reputation was the most important thing. As long as Joshua slept with Ms. Sanders, Ms. Sanders would be with him."

Everyone present was so shocked that they could not say a word.

"I don't know why Joshua fell for her words, but he really..." Jenifer choked a few times as if she could not speak. She tried her best to control her emotions and said, "Last night, Joshua drugged Ms. Sanders and brought her to the hotel. Who would've known that it was all part of Jeanne's scheme? She wanted Joshua to listen to her and harass Ms. Sanders while she secretly sent people to rescue Ms. Sanders. She wanted Joshua to bear the brunt of the blame and the punishment of the law so that she could get all of Joshua's shares. Not only that, but she also did Ms. Sanders a huge favor by saving her."

"Do you have any evidence?" A more rational reporter asked, "You've said so much, but you don't have any evidence. How can you prove that Jeanne planned everything?"

"I have evidence." Jenifer enunciated every word.

Jeanne's eyes narrowed.

Jenifer said, "This is a video recording that I took from the hotel."

The staff member had given it to her.

It was a video from the hotel corridor. In the video, Finn and Miles showed up and kicked open the hotel door in a frenzy. It looked like they were trying to save Quinn.

The video was very short.

Then, Jenifer said, "The people in the video are Finn and Miles. All of you should've heard of Finn before. This man is the director of the cardiology department of South Hampton City Central Hospital. He is young and has a bright future ahead of him. Moreover, his status is not limited to that. He's also Fourth Master Swan's personal doctor. In other words, Finn and Fourth Master Swan have a close relationship. The other is Miles, a private chauffeur that Jeanne specially hired for George. He's a chauffeur but also acts as a bodyguard. To put it bluntly, these two people are related to Jeanne."

"What are you trying to say, Mrs. Lawrence?"

"If Joshua wanted to plot against Ms. Sanders, why did Jeanne send someone to rescue Ms. Sanders the moment the incident happened? If Jeanne didn't know about it in advance, how could Joshua have been discovered? From what I know, Ms. Sanders has always had bodyguards. How could Joshua have escaped from the bodyguards' sight but get discovered by Jeanne? This doesn't make sense. The only possibility is that Jeanne knew about this long ago and that she's trying to divert our attention away from her."

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The reporter seemed to have been convinced by Jenifer.

"Yesterday, when Joshua was arrested, I went to see him as soon as I heard the news. At first, Joshua was unwilling to admit that Jeanne was the one who ordered him to do it. He gritted his teeth and said that he was possessed and wanted to harass Ms. Sanders. I knelt down and begged him, and only then did he reveal it because he saw that I was devastated. Everyone, take a look at this. This is the bruise on my knee when I knelt down to Joshua yesterday." As she spoke, Jenifer rolled up her pants, and as expected, it revealed the hideous bruises on her knees.

"I really didn't want to expose Jeanne, but I'm at my wits 'end. I have no choice. I can't watch my son be destroyed. Everyone knows that the Lawrences only have one son, Joshua. If anything were to happen to him, the Lawrences will truly be done for, and I'll be ashamed to face the Lawrences' ancestors!"

At that point, she was already sobbing.

It was as sad as it could get.

The reporters at the scene all began to comfort her. They even said that the law was fair and that it would definitely give her justice.

At that moment, the entire press conference was filled with voices of condemnation against Jeanne and pity for Jenifer.

Not only that, but a few live broadcasts were present too.

A large number of 'righteous people' instantly appeared on the internet, jointly requesting the review agency to conduct a thorough investigation on Jeanne and to give Jenifer justice.

Jeanne's cell phone rang several times, and they were all from Monica.

Monica's greatest pleasure now was probably to read the gossip news, so she probably saw it immediately.

However, Jeanne ended the call as it was more important for her to deal with the matter at hand.

She put down her phone and walked straight to Jenifer.

Amy instinctively tugged at President Lawrence, but she could not, or perhaps she did not dare to stop her. She was a little scared and did not know how President Lawrence was going to deal with the current situation. Of course, she absolutely could not believe that it was President Lawrence's plan as President Lawrence could never do such a thing!

Amy covered her eyes, afraid to look at the scene.

Jeanne's sudden appearance had indeed caused a stir in the venue.

Jenifer looked at Jeanne and became even more agitated. For a second, Jenifer almost fainted.

Before Jeanne could speak, a lighter suddenly appeared out of nowhere. However, it did not hit Jeanne, but it landed at her feet probably because it was not aimed properly.

Jeanne's eyes narrowed.

She did not expect the reporters would be so irrational to throw things at her.

What she did not know was that when she appeared in front of the camera, the live broadcast video had already gone viral. The words "Get Jeanne Out of Lawrence Enterprise and Out of Our Sight. We Only Want To See Her in Prison" were written on the screen.

Jeanne had become the worst woman on the internet. It was so bad that it made one boil with anger.

She looked at the lighter under her feet indifferently. Then, she raised her head and said with an intimidating presence, "I can stand here now because I can tell you confidently that I didn't do anything Jenifer said!"

She did not know if they all had been brainwashed by Jenifer or that a lot of the reporters here were deliberately hired to stir up trouble.

One of the reporters said, "The truth is right in front of you. What makes you so confident? If you say anything now, you'll only embarrass yourself."

"You're journalists, and your job is to report the news truthfully and spread it. As for what's the truth, what's right or wrong, and who committed the crime, that's for the judicial authorities to decide. You should do your part!" Jeanne said imposingly.

Due to Jeanne's words, the venue fell silent for a few minutes.

Even the live stream's comments stopped for more than ten seconds.

Even though she was still bombarded by attacks, seeing that the reporters had quieted down, Jeanne sat down.

At that moment, Jenifer suddenly knelt on the ground. "Jeanne, I'm begging you to let Joshua go! I'm begging you. Joshua is still so young. He can't just go to jail like this. Can't you just admit that you were the one who ordered Joshua to do this? I've asked my lawyer. Although Joshua is an accomplice, he's not the mastermind, so many of his charges can be reduced. Jeanne, I promise to give you all of Joshua's shares. Can you please stop framing Joshua? From now on, Joshua and I will leave Lawrence Enterprise—no, leave South Hampton City and never appear in front of you again, okay?"

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The originally silent scene went into an uproar again.

Who could watch that scene without doing anything?

Jenifer had always been good at acting, but this time, her acting skills were at their peak.

Jeanne also really admired the person who had instructed Jenifer to do that. It only took them one night to come up with the idea of framing her and having her bear all the responsibility.

As expected, she was surprised.

She squatted down and said, "Mother, if you put on such a big show, you will humiliate yourself even more. Are you sure you want to do this to me?"

Her tone was neither cold nor warm, but it was threatening.

Of course, Jenifer was still shocked, but she could only bite the bullet and continue on.

She was almost scared to death when Joshua was captured yesterday.

She had no idea that Eden and Joshua had plotted such a scheme. If she had known, she would have never allowed Joshua to do so. She knew that they could provoke anyone but the Sanders. However, since things had come to this, she had no time to blame her son. She could only follow Eden's arrangements and accuse Jeanne early in the morning.

That was the only way to reduce Joshua's crime and defeat Jeanne in one fell swoop.

In any case, Jenifer had thought it through. If they were going to die, we would die together!

There was no way she would allow Jeanne to lead a good life.

Moreover, once Joshua and Jeanne were in prison, Lawrence Enterprise would be all hers. Although she did not know much about business, she could get someone to take care of the company until her son was released from prison. Then, everything would belong to her son.

It was only a matter of time.

"Jeanne, it's useless for you to say anything now. I won't continue to be such a coward. I won't continue to swallow my anger." Jenifer still pretended to be pitiful. "As the saying goes, a mother is strong. For my son, I really won't be kind anymore."

Jeanne felt that it was not worth it to waste even another second on Jenifer, so she kicked Jenifer away.

In fact, she did not even use much strength. However, Jenifer fell to the ground, and it looked like she had fallen badly.

The reporters at the scene got so agitated that they almost went up to hit Jeanne.

If it were not for the security guards keeping those people under control, a fight might have started.

In the history of Harken, there had never been a live interview that involved a riot.

Of course, it was not entirely because of what happened to Jenifer. Most importantly, someone was secretly controlling it.

After kicking Jenifer away, Jeanne sat down and faced all the reporters in front of her.

She said, "I'm not the one who has been wanting to get Lawrence Enterprise for myself. It's Jenifer and Joshua. However, the Lawrence Enterprise is the Lawrences' family business, and I can't hand over the company to the incapable Joshua. If I hand it over to him, the company will be doomed. Think about it. When my mother developed Lawrence Enterprise to its peak, my father killed my mother in order to take back the company. Once he got the company's management rights, I'm sure everyone saw how the company developed. And I have to say, if I didn't come back to discuss the e-commerce project and change up the company, Lawrence Enterprise would have declared bankruptcy!"

"However, this can't be the reason for you to use any means to get Lawrence Enterprise's shares!" the reporter berated her.

"Don't you guys think that the plot is shockingly similar?" Jeanne said, "Because I've developed the Lawrence Enterprise to its peak and taken control of the Lawrence Enterprise, some people can't hold back anymore."

"Jeanne, you're spouting nonsense! I know you're capable, and that is why I've always wanted Joshua to learn from you. I have never thought of framing you! Besides, I've seen what happened to your dad. I'm not so stupid as to repeat the same mistake." Jenifer got up from the ground and said righteously.

"Well, I wouldn't be so stupid to get Lawrence Enterprise's shares in this way! Mother, I already have control of Lawrence Enterprise. Are the shares still important to me?" Jeanne retorted.

"Why is it not important? The shares are money. Don't you want money?"

"Even if I wanted it, I wouldn't risk my life for that measly amount of money." Jeanne said disdainfully, "On the other hand, you really are something else for accusing me like this after your son's plan failed. Once you succeed in accusing me, Joshua and I will go to jail, and you'll be the only one managing Lawrence Enterprise. Then, you'll be enjoying the fruits of others' labor."

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"What nonsense are you spouting?"

"What nonsense were you talking about just now?" Jeanne had an imposing aura.

"I'm just telling the truth!"

"It's just a video. Is it enough to prove that what you said is the truth?" Jeanne's eyes hardened.

Frightened by Jeanne's gaze, Jeanne did not know what to say.

At that moment, Jeanne did not give Jenifer a chance to speak as she said bluntly, "In the video that Jenifer just released, I was indeed the one who told Finn and Miles to rescue Quinn. I was the first to find out because I was well aware of Joshua's enmity toward me. In other words, I was also afraid that I would one day follow in my mother's footsteps, so I sent someone to keep an eye on Joshua in secret. I was afraid he would do something harmful to me."

"The best way to protect yourself is to take precautions. Although I didn't find out that Joshua wanted to harm me, I found out that Joshua had ulterior motives toward Quinn. Why would Joshua do such a thing to Quinn, you may ask? Think about it. If Joshua plays up to the Sanders, wouldn't it be easy for him to kick me out of Lawrence Enterprise?"

Jeanne's words confused the reporters at the scene.

However, those people... Most of them were probably ordered by someone to be here.

Hence, a reporter disagreed with her point of view. "According to my understanding of Joshua, he doesn't have such courage. In other words, he isn't that bold. If someone didn't instruct him to do so, he wouldn't have done it."

"You're right. Someone did instruct him to do it." Jeanne enunciated her every word.

The reporter was stunned, wondering if he had said something wrong.

"If Joshua wouldn't dare to do this to the young lady of the Sanders but did, there must be someone behind this." Jeanne was certain.

"Isn't that person you? How dare you try to put the blame on someone else?" Jenifer said agitatedly. " Joshua told me everything last night. You were the one who made him do it. You were the one who told him to leave everything to you. That was why Joshua did it, and now you want to push the blame onto someone else? Jeanne, stop denying it"

"Why are you so agitated? Are you afraid that I'll reveal who's behind this?" Jeanne asked coldly.

"There's no such person!" Jenifer was still very agitated. She said, "You're just making things up to confuse us."

"Eden," Jeanne suddenly said.

She said the person's name.

"What nonsense are you spouting?"

"I said, the person who instigated Joshua was Eden!"

"First, you frame my son, and now you frame my son-in-law? Are you trying to destroy our family? Jeanne, how can you be so evil? How can you be so vicious? How can you..." Jenifer looked like she was about to faint from anger.

"Ms. Lawrence, may I remind you that this is broadcasted live on the internet. The more you deny it, the more you'll be humiliated. You'd better think twice before you act." The reporter reminded Jeanne kindly.

It was great that it was broadcasted live on the internet. In fact, what she was afraid of was that the live broadcast would suddenly be cut off.

Therefore, she told Mason to sneak into the crowd of reporters quietly and then install live broadcast software.

Once she made sure that Mason had taken care of everything, she took her time to say, "Jenifer just said she's been good to me since I was young, right?"

"Don't I treat you well?"

"Whether you treat me well or not, someone will expose you,"

"I'm not afraid of you!" Jenifer purposely made herself look strong. "No matter who in the Lawrences, including the Lawrences' servants, they all know how well I treat you!"

Did that mean she had bribed the servants in advance?

However, Jeanne did not get a servant. She got Jasmine.

She had given Jenifer so much time to perform just now not to humiliate Jenifer even more later but to give herself enough time to arrange many things.

She arranged everything one by one, and after making sure everything was fine, she walked into the press conference.

At that moment, she turned to look at the door.

"Open the door, Amy," Jeanne instructed.

Amy was shocked. However, she had a feeling that a good show was about to begin.

She quickly opened the door of the meeting room, and a woman walked in from the door.

The moment Jenifer saw Jasmine, she was shocked.

She thought of how Jeanne could look for anyone to complain about her past attitude toward Jeanne, but she had never thought that Jeanne would look for Jasmine.

She could not help but feel afraid. She knew very well that Jasmine had not been doing well recently, but because she wanted to use Eden, she could only turn a blind eye to what Jasmine was going through.

However, Jasmine would not disown her as her mother.

Jenifer had taught Jasmine so many things over the years, so it was impossible for the latter to turn her back on her.

It was a joke that Jeanne wanted to use Jasmine.

Jenifer kept consoling herself when she saw Jasmine walk in while looking at her deep in the eyes.

Jenifer also gave Jasmine a look, indicating for her to not speak nonsense.

Jasmine had always understood what she meant and was very obedient.

Although Jenifer was a little nervous, she believed Jeanne was wrong.

Then, she saw Jasmine turning to face everyone at the scene and saying, "My mother, Jenifer, has never treated Jeanne nicely. She even tried to frame her in every way possible!"