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"Dad! I didn't expect this from you!" The angry voice roared from behind me that made me freeze on my spot once again.

Mr. Miller went towards his son and tried to embrace him in a hug so I moved left side a little to give them some space but Kayish shoved his hands away. How rude? My beating heart became louder and my worries became worse. If I stay here Kayish will figure out who I am, and he probably will start a scene.

I know him well, he's the type of person who doesn't care much about people around him except himself, and I don't want to involve in any scene at this moment, especially in front of Mr. Miller.

I took this time as my cue to leave and prepared a better excuse to face Kayish in another moment. I know it will be soon but not at this moment. When I was about to turn my heels Mr. Miller called my name.

Oops!

"I'm not finished yet, Miss. Kader." I let out a sigh of defeat and it made me look down in an apologizing gesture and I hope Kayish didn't have recognized me right away.

This time, Mr. Miller came back to his chair and sat down, his fingers latched together giving me a sign that he's serious about what he had said. Meanwhile, Kayish still stood behind me even just a mere inch away and this situation, really makes me uncomfortable. Technically, I'm standing between an angry dad and an arrogant son who happened to be my ex-husband and new boss.

To my relief, Kayish seems not to notice me yet and I need to make

myself out of here quickly before I would trap here for another conversation.

"I'm sorry, Sir. I promise you it won't happen again. It's totally wrong for me to not be responsible for my duty." I tried to reason out and assured him that he didn't need to worry about my work here. I let my voice barely audible just enough for Mr. Miller to hear.

"I think I need to take my leave, sir. I have things to take care of." I found another excuse to leave the place.

"Yes -- you may leave, Miss Kader. And can you invite all the board members and managers to attend the meeting with my son about an hour from now? We need to sort things with them, at least try to do this by yourself, Miss Kader. Your father gave me a high recommendation for your work and professionalism." He said rudely.

I wanted to tell him that I am not his PA or it's not my place to do but I listened to his authority tone for the sake of escaping from this hell, So I managed a nod instead.

"Yes Sir," I answered and turned my heels to leave the room but Kayish's hard voice stopped me in my track.

Don't tell me he recognized me. Please! My body is aching and I can't throw a heavy punch on his face right this moment.

"Listen!" I felt his presence behind me and my worries grew more when I reckoned that he was looking at me intensely just like studying me. To my relief, it seems he still didn't recognize me, cause what he said next was a simple announcement.

"Make it fast." He ordered and I took a long deep breath in relief before managing a quiet 'yes' and half ran out of Mr. Miller's office and from

Mr. Arrogant's sight.

Juliet seemed to notice my pale face once I'm out of Mr. Miller's office and came towards me. "Riya are you okay? You looked pale," She asked, her brow furrowed in worry.

"I'm okay, Julie. Could you please do me a favour?" I asked her hoping she could help me in this circumstance.

"Of course, I will." She replied.

She is such a pure soul.

"Please call the managers and board members to attend the meeting with Ka... ehm... With our new boss. He asked for a meeting an hour from now. I think my stomach is still bugging me and I'm not sure if I can make all calls." I said nervously.

She blinked once, twice but somehow nodded her head and replied with an 'okay' but worry still lingering in her face.

"Thanks, Julie. It means a lot to me." I hugged her and released her from my embrace.

"I will let you know once I finish the arrangements until that please take some rest," She said and I nodded my head. With that, we both pulled apart and I walked towards my office. I felt guilty for bringing Juliet to do what Mr. Miller asked me but it won't happen again, cause this time I only need to prepare myself enough to face Kayish and his devilish side.

About 20 minutes later, Juliet called and informed me that all managers and board members can make it on time. I thanked her for her help and inhaled another deep breath that I lost count of how much I take for today. There is no way to escape from him again, I need to face him and

let him know that I am not the old Riya who he had played about the years ago.

I gathered all my courage and walked towards the conference hall where the meeting is going to start. As I reached the hall, I saw everyone was seated in their respective place. And just like the bad luck not getting enough of me for the day, my name was placed in the second row and it's clear and near enough for the new boss a.k.a Kayish to have a direct look from where I sit. I took another long deep breath before sitting in my so-called respective seat.

A moment later, Mr. Miller and the arrogant devil revealed their presence to the meeting hall and everyone greeted both of them. Kayish did not bother to greet them back or give them a smile and just switched his focus on the projector without saying a formal 'Hi'.

"Yes... he is still the arrogant devil jerk from hell," I said to myself.

Well..What I can expect from him? After all, he is known as a certified arrogant.

"Listen, Everyone! As all of you know that I was forced to take my dad's company but I expect each and everyone to be perfect and put your hard work on here." He started up his speech in an intense tone while he was scanning all members.

"I don't like to waste my time for any of ----" He stopped for a moment as our eyes met. I kept my gaze on him as well and told myself to remain calm. It's hard to read his facial features for a moment as he only gave me a blank look but whatever it was, he recovered so fast and the blank look he had before has replaced in his face with a smirk.

My heartbeat heightened promptly as creating a loud thudding sound

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whenever it beats. I can feel my palm is sweating from the way he is looking at me and it's causing me pain in my chest when I saw him smirking devilishly. It seems like he got an evil plan in his dirty mind towards me.

"Finally... I am glad to take over my dad's company. It will be a tough time for you guys." He added the rude announcement to his speech in a more relaxed tone; Still holding his eyes on me for a moment after those words. I know it's his hidden message he threw directly towards me but who cares.

I will show him the Riya he used to know has changed.

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