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Eliam didn't stay at home that night. He went to Diana's place again because the servant called him several times, saying Diana kept crying all day and hadn't eaten anything.

Eliam had no choice but to go there.

As soon as he entered the villa, Diana threw herself into his arms.

"Eliam, I thought you didn't want to see me anymore."

"Stop thinking this way!" Eliam comforted her and asked the servant to serve food.

Diana held Eliam tightly as if afraid he would disappear if she let go of him. She looked fragile and insecure, which was in stark contrast with her former high-spirited and vigorous self. Eliam couldn't help but feel sorry for her.

After the servant placed all the dishes on the table, Eliam led Diana to the dining table.

"I want you to feed me." Diana pouted, behaving like a spoiled child.

Eliam's eyes widened when he looked at the steak on the plate. His mind flitted to the time when Rhonda fed him steak in Germany. She looked shy and jealous.

"What happened, Eliam?" Diana noticed something was wrong with him.

Eliam returned to his senses and realized he had been thinking about Rhonda. He hurriedly cut a piece of steak

and put it into Diana's mouth.

"Is something bothering you?" Although Diana seemed nonchalant, deep down, she was worried.

"Nothing. Why do you ask?"

"Well, you seem absent-minded. Is it because of the company's affairs?"

"Don't worry. I'm fine," Eliam answered flatly and fed another piece of steak to Diana.

However, she shook her head, refusing to eat. Diana said she was full and asked Eliam to put her to sleep.

Eliam walked her to the bedroom and stopped.

"Oh, I forgot. I have a video conference later. You better go to bed first. Don't forget to take your medicines before you sleep."

"Meeting? Again?" Diana complained, wrapping her arms around Eliam's neck. "Can't you go to the meeting after I sleep?"

Eliam gently withdrew her hand out of his hold and patted her head dotingly. "You are a grown-up. Why do you still need someone to put you to sleep?"

"I want it!" Diana whined like a spoiled child.

"Be a good girl. I'll come back to accompany you after I finish my work. You go to bed first."

"Promise?" Diana knew Eliam was deliberately avoiding her, but she didn't want to question him about it.

Eliam nodded. He pushed Diana into the room and closed the door.

Hearing the sound of his receding footsteps, Diana could no longer hold back her tears.

She leaned against the door, slid down, and sat on the carpet. She could sense he was distancing himself from her.

Five years had changed everything.

Diana had to face the reality but refused to accept it. She was determined to win Eliam back at all costs.

Meanwhile, it was a sleepless night for Rhonda.

She tossed and turned on the bed until dawn.

Next morning, she got on the bus to see her grandmother. She looked tired and haggard. Her eyes were puffy and bloodshot with dark circles.

Nora had recovered well and looked healthy. Seeing that Rhonda was back, the neighbors came to see her and kept asking her questions. Nora's house was lively for a while.

Just then, Irene, the girl next door, quietly pulled Rhonda aside and asked, "Rhonda, you took part in the audition for the game endorsement, right?"


"Yes. What's wrong?"

"Did you check the comment section of the website today? Many people are cursing and abusing you."

Rhonda took out her phone and read the comments. Everyone was cursing her.

One user named Sloiam said that Rhonda had not only cheated on her ex-boyfriend when they were still living

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together but also seized his house after marrying someone else. She even framed her best friend and called the police to arrest her.

There were more than a hundred thousand replies under his comment.

Some people said that Rhonda looked pristine and innocent but turned out to be vile and vindictive.

Some people said her high support seemed fishy and guessed if she slept with somebody to secure it.

Many people called her a slut and a bitch.

Rhonda trembled with rage.

The user Sloiam was a good manipulator. The worst part was, however, people supported him and agreed with his conjecture despite not knowing the truth.

"Rhonda, I think someone is behind this." Irene squeezed her shoulders worriedly.

Rhonda looked at Sloiam's account. She remembered Eliam asking her to give up the opportunity to Diana last night. Rhonda couldn't help but wonder if it was him.

Rhonda didn't want to doubt him, but only a few people knew what had happened between her and Santino. Who else would do it other than Eliam?

Thinking of this, Rhonda excused herself that she had important things to do and left without staying for lunch.

On her way back, she couldn't control her anger anymore and called Eliam.

The phone rang twice before it got disconnected.

Rhonda's anger reached its peak. She continued to call him.

Eliam was in the middle of a meeting when his phone rang relentlessly.

Looking at the grim look on his face, the vice president and the senior executives were all worried about the caller.

A few days ago, a client kept calling Eliam during a meeting. Eliam became furious and blocked the client.

The atmosphere seemed to get tense with every passing minute. No one dared to make a sound. The ringtone of Eliam's mobile resounded across the spacious conference room.

Ultimately, Eliam couldn't stand it anymore and picked up the call.

To everyone's surprise, he seemed calm. "I'm in a meeting. I'll call you later."

"Eliam, you are so despicable!" Rhonda growled. She couldn't hold back her anger.

"I promised you last night that I'll give up the endorsement for Diana. Why would you do this to me?"

Rhonda was so loud that everyone in the conference room could hear her. They were all startled.

Everyone was curious to know who it was. Who would possibly have the audacity to scream at Eliam?

Eliam frowned but didn't lose his temper. Instead, he suppressed his anger and asked, "What happened?"

"Are you still pretending to be innocent? Eliam, I didn't

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expect you to be such a jerk!"

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Rhonda was so angry that she hung up the phone.

Her mind was a mess. She couldn't fathom why Eliam would do this to her.

She had made a promise last night, but he didn't seem to trust her even then.

Was he afraid she would go back on her word, hence, decided to sabotage her reputation?

Eliam ended the meeting before time. After everyone left, he called David and asked him what had happened with Rhonda.

David did a little research and told him that everyone was slandering Rhonda on the Internet. Diana's votes had exceeded Rhonda's.

Eliam frowned.

He had opened an account under the name Sloiam several years ago and had forgotten about it long since. Someone was using it to discredit Rhonda.

As soon as Rhonda returned home, she locked herself in the room and didn't come out for dinner.

At about nine o'clock, Eliam came back.


When Rhonda was sitting in the room staring at the ceiling, she heard a knock on the door. "Who is it?"

"It's me. Open the door."

Eliam's voice only seemed to infuriate her.

"I want to sleep."

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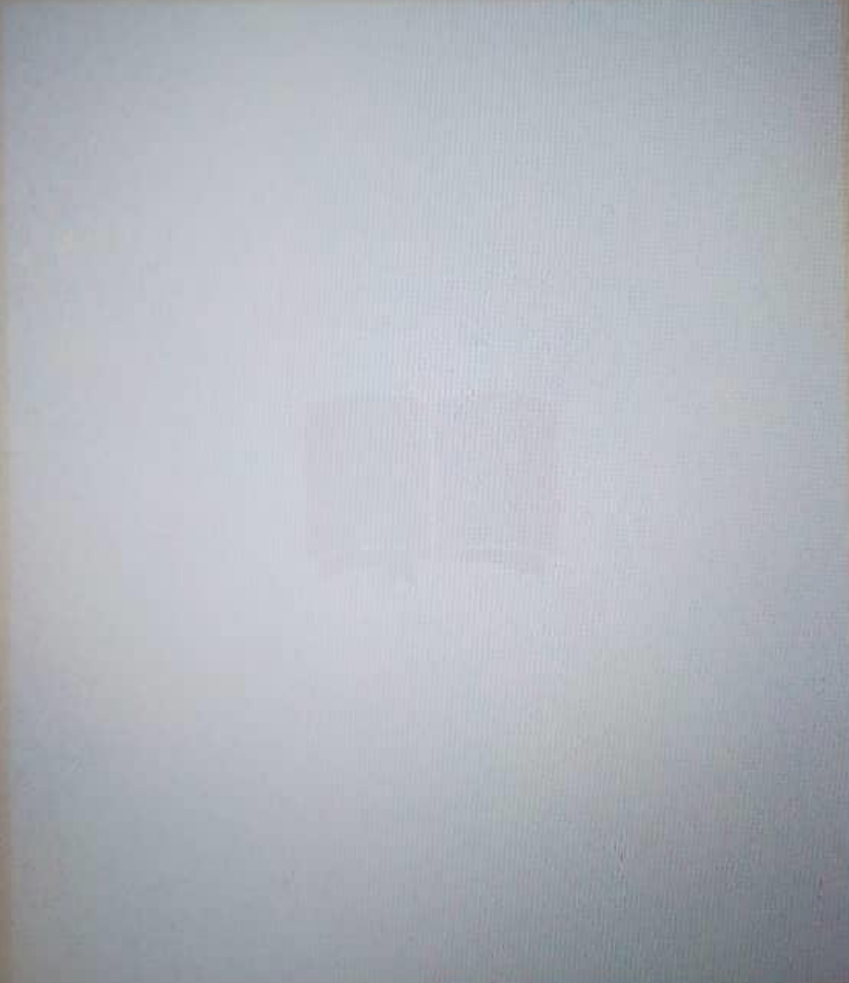
"I have something to tell you." Eliam pounded the door.




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