## Chapter 99 Being Complained

In the evening, Myron dropped Rhonda off at her home and presented her with a selection of clothes he had chosen for her.

At first, Rhonda was hesitant to accept the clothes, as they appeared to be quite pricey.

However, when Myron mentioned he would charge them to Eliam, Rhonda reluctantly picked the least expensive one. She guessed that the expensive dress she had received earlier must have also come from Myron; how else could Eliam afford it on his meager salary?

In the seaside villa.

Diana stood in the living room, shivering upon seeing Charlton seated on the couch.

"Diana, what have you discovered about Sloan Real Estate?" Charlton asked.

Diana shook her head, replying, "I don't dare to investigate Sloan Real Estate now, as it's under Eliam's name. I'm afraid he'll uncover something."

"Oh? Sloan Real Estate now belongs to Eliam?" Charlton narrowed his eyes and frowned. "Why haven't you captured his heart yet?"

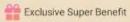
"Richard is constantly on guard against me as if I were a thief. Now that Rhonda has entered the picture, I don't stand a chance."

"You have to create your own opportunities." Charlton tapped his fingers on the armrest and asked, "What's going on with Eden?"

"Since our encounter at the orphanage, Eden hasn't contacted me. Furthermore, he didn't talk to me at the appreciation banquet." Diana expressed her concern. "Does he suspect me?"

"I doubt it. I've heard that Pearl was adopted by a foreigner and couldn't

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be found at all. As long as the orphanage insists you're Pearl, you'll be seen as a loyal friend who cared for his sister Rona, and he'll surely be grateful."

"But deceiving the Hawkins won't be easy. I'm afraid they'll discover the truth..."

"That's why you need to earn his trust as soon as possible. George mentioned that there's an unconnected computer on Eden's desk. It contains a folder with information about his collaborations with large foreign companies. If we want to completely take over Eden Accounting, we must obtain details about their clients and transactions."

"Dad, aren't you acquiring Glory Games now? Why the sudden interest in Eden Accounting?"

"Humph, whether it's Eden Accounting or Glory Games, they're merely appetizers for me. The main course has yet to arrive," Charlton declared with a grin.

Diana was shocked. Charlton had always been unpredictable. She both admired and feared him.

Rhonda continued to be swamped with work each day. Eliam informed her he'd return this weekend, and she couldn't help but miss him.

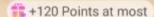
Although she still held a grudge against Eliam for defending Diana in the Leonard situation, Rhonda found comfort in the fact that it wasn't Eliam who had hurt Leonard, and he had been making efforts to atone for it.

One day, Margret unexpectedly called Rhonda to her office, informing her that she would no longer oversee the project involving Eden Accounting and Sloan Corporation. Rhonda was asked to hand over all relevant documents from the preparatory process.

Rhonda didn't understand what she meant. Did she do something wrong?

"A client has filed a complaint against you, claiming you made a false promise." Margret put a complaint mail in front of Rhonda.

Rhonda examined the letter and recognized the client as a female fitness equipment business owner she had previously assisted.



"She seemed quite satisfied with my service. What happened?"

"She claims that you pledged to reduce her costs by twenty percent, but you fell short by 3%."

Rhonda was baffled. "I informed her that the savings would range between 19.05% and 20.05%. Even an actuary couldn't guarantee that level of precision. She agreed at the time, and we signed the contract."

"But you didn't include that in the contract." Margret agreed that the customer was extremely stubborn, but they had no other option. They would occasionally encounter unwarranted complaints.

"I saved her millions, yet she's haggling over such a trivial amount?" Rhonda was going crazy.

"We don't have a choice. Our clients are vital to us, and Eden Accounting's reputation has suffered a severe blow. We must meet our clients' demands precisely, without error, or we risk further complaints. The company won't tolerate such mistakes."

"Who will be taking over the Sloan Corporation project?"

"Ella will handle it. She's experienced and should be capable." Margret also expressed disappointment, but she was left with no other choice. "Submit the relevant documents to her before the end of the workday, as she has a meeting with Sloan Corporation tomorrow."

Rhonda had invested significant time and effort into the project and was reluctant to let it go.

"Was this Mr. Hawkins' decision?"

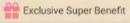
"It's the company's decision," Margret clarified.

"Alas." Margret sighed, "Rhonda, do you know what your biggest problem is?"

"What is it?"

"You're a skilled professional but lack leadership experience. As an ordinary employee, that's fine, but if you wish to effectively lead a team, you need more experience."

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"I understand. Thank you."

"Be careful with your classmate."

"Thank you." Rhonda was aware that Margret was referring to Cristina.

Upon returning to her office, Rhonda encountered Cristina.

"I heard you received a complaint, huh?" Cristina remarked, clearly taking pleasure in Rhonda's misfortune.

"What do you want?"

"It's not a big deal. I just thought you should know that Paget has requested a transfer to Ella's team."

Rhonda was stunned.

"Why wasn't I informed?"

"Miss Welch approved it. You probably didn't know that Ella is actually her cousin, did you? I just found out myself."

"Isn't it against the rules for relatives to work in the same department?" This time, Rhonda understood why Margret valued Ella so much and always took care of her inadvertently.

She recalled that when she first joined Eden Accounting, Margret had been quite supportive, but her attention had shifted to Ella later on. Clearly, there were no random affections or animosities in the workplace.

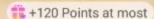
"So, what do you think? I've always backed you during crucial moments, haven't I?" Cristina scoffed. "Aren't you aware of your current situation? You've been betrayed by everyone. Paget turned on you this time, but who knows who'll be next? Everyone in our team used to work under Margret and Ella. How can they be loyal to you?"

"What are you getting at?"

"You need an ally, and that's me."

"I don't need any help. Thanks anyway." Rhonda rejected the offer firmly.





"Why are you being so stubborn? I'm just trying to help you."

"Then what do you want in return?"

"I'd like to stay in your apartment for a while. My lease is almost up, and my landlord plans to kick me out," Cristina said pitifully.

"The apartment is under my brother's name. I don't have the authority to lend it out to anyone."

'You gave your apartment to your brother, but what about me?" Cristina was both disappointed and upset.

"Even if it wasn't in my brother's name, I wouldn't lend it to you."