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Zachary paused for a moment before saying, "We had incompatible personalities. I was pursuing dual degrees in college, which kept me extremely busy. I didn't have much time to spend with her. After I started working. I was swamped with my job and unintentionally neglected her feelings. Despite trying to work things out a few times, we eventually decided to part ways amicably"

This was a rather polite way of putting it.

"It seems to be related to the profession. In the acting industry, once you start filming and join the cast, you're gone for several months. If your other half is also busy with work, it's indeed hard to find time to be together. Now, as the CEO of Fuller Group, you must be very busy too. Does Ms. Wilkin have any issue with thi

Zachary chuckled. "She's also quite busy. We often work overtime together, keeping ourselves occupied. It actually makes our days feel more fulfilling."

"So, are you saying the rumors about Ms. Wilkin pulling strings to achieve her position are unfounded?"

Zachary nodded. "Such culture doesn't exist in Fuller Group."

"I heard that Ms. Carst

started collaborating with the Fuller Group after returning to the country

Does this have anything to do with you?"

At the time, rumors circulated online that the brand ambassador was originally Yara Lindt. However, it w suddenly changed to Susanna.

"Yes, she wanted to return home and break into the domestic market, so I lent her a hand."

From what I understand, it's often difficult for ex-lovers to remain friends, even if they part on good terms," the interviewer began, referring to Ms. Carston. When she returned to the country, she immediately sought your help. Have you two been in touch all this time? Aren't you worried that Ms. Wilkin might get jealous over your actions?" Search The website to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"As a businessman, it's rare to completely sever ties. I often collaborated with Ms. Carston's uncle, and even after parting ways, I occasionally stayed in touch with her. I don't regret helping Ms. Carston, but I do regret not maintaining the appropriate boundaries between us. I overlooked my wife's feelings, which led to her being misunderstood as the other woman and subjected to online abuse. Therefore, I owe her an apology," Zachary stated earnestly. Then, looking into the camera, he said in a serious tone, "Wifey, I'm sorry," "Could it be that you agreed to the interview because of this? It appears that Ms. Wilkin holds a unique place in your, doesn't she?"

"Right. To me, she is like the air, her presence filling every corner of my life. I couldn't imagine being without her."

As he uttered those words, Zachary looked directly into the camera, feeling an unusual sense of relief in his heart.

Sometimes, rumors were just that-rumors. The truth of the matter was known only to those involved.

At the end of the day, Zachary knew that he and Susanna weren't really compatible

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As they were on the brink of parting ways, something terrible happened to Susanna. He indeed contemplated making amends for it for the rest of his life.

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Had Susanna not proposed a breakup, there was no doubt that she would have been the one by his side that day.

Unfortunately, there was no turning back time.

Susanna had proposed a breakup, and he ended up marrying Lenora, woman who could make him set aside his work to be with her, one who could truly touch his heart.

Susanna had gotten into trouble because of him, so he didn't regret assisting her. What he did regret, however, was not acknowledging his own feelings sooner, which resulted in him hurting Lenora.

If he could do it all over again, he would still provide Susanna with support in her career. However, he wouldn't contact her privately anymore. Instead, he would be completely honest with Lenora about everything.

"Mr. Fuller, you're truly a poetic man. Your words of affection are extraordinary. You can convey your affection without making it explicit."

At the same time as the view was released, the official account of Fuller Group posted a list of lawsuits and published Zachary's marriage certificate with Lenora. The comments were all very supportive.

SugarSoph: Did you watch the video? At least he's man enough to step up and clear the air! Well, that homewrecker really got served this time, hahaha. I need to quickly post a celebratory tweet. Let's see who dares to challenge me now! HotNCold:...

Sophia not only posted a triumphant message on her social media, but she also took the time to individually respond to those who were arguing with her in the comments section under her post:

Ha, ha, ha, you're humiliated, aren't you!

Come out and apologize!

You claimed if Lenora wasn't the other woman, you'd eat poop Well, start eating now!

Goodness, your name is on the prosecution list released by Fuller Group!

SugarSoph: To me, she is like the air, her presence filling every corner of my life. I couldn't imagine being without her. I didn't expect Tyrant Fuller to be quite poetic

In response to this, Lenora didn't say anything.

Zachary had always been quite the actor, having deceived her numerous times in the past. She wasn't going to fall for it anymore.

SugarSoph: That said, Nora, you mustn't let his sweet talk fool you! He's still protecting Susanna!

Lenora could see it too. Zachary's response not only clarified her identity but also tried his best to absolve Susanna of any wrongdoing, taking the blame upon himself.

If Lenora hadn't been aware of what had transpired between Zachary and Susanna, her thoughts would

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have mirrored those of Sophia.

Now that she had known the truth, his actions were no longer a surprise.

If Zachary had placed all the blame on Susanna, only then would she look down on him.

"I know. Don't worry about it."

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It was evident that Zachary had put thought into his answers during the interview. However, this public display of support came a bit too late.

The divorce had already been proposed, she didn't have any regrets.

After the video was released, the comment section saw a new wave of people. There were those who had previously supported Lenora, those who disliked voicing their opinions prematurely, nosey netizens, and some fans of Zachary. All expressed their sympathy for Lenora, condemning the irresponsible media and cyberbullying. They also sent their blessings to the couple: Back then, I already knew Zachary and Lenora were a couple. As a result, I was berated by Susanna's fans relentlessly. I wonder who's the fool now!

Where are those people

're talking about apologizing her knowing the truth?

I recall when people were berating Lenora, they even targeted her father, Fernando, a journalist. These people have truly gone too far, taking advantage of the anonymity of the internet to cyberbully others. It wasn't just once or twice. either. I'm all for implementing real- name systems online!

Interesting fact-Lenora is also a graduate of Jurshire University and a junior to Zachary. She was sought after by all the big companies, so hoto could she possibly need to pull strings? I expected no less from the daughter of Mr. Wilkin, the reporter. Well done! Wishing you both a lifetime of happiness! Isn't anyone going to address the issue with the media? Nowadays, these media outlets only care about ratings, completely disregarding the truth. It reminds me of another recent case.

From an optimistic point of view, Mr. Fuller didn't maintain the necessary boundaries between men and women. From a pessimistic one, this was infidelity,

I am genuinely fed up with a certain female star. She hasn't produced a single piece of work in ages, yet she is constantly trending. Her fans are always stirring up trouble everywhere, but in the end, it is she who is the real troublemaker. What a joke!

I'm a fan of Susanna, and I want to start by apologizing to Ms/Wilkin. I got caught up in the moment and said some things that were out of line. I'm sorry,

If only all fans were as sensible as you.

After watching this video, I have become a fan of Zachary

Fan my foot! Isn't the underlying message in his words that he cheated on his wife? Who would even like that?

I feel the same way. My guess is that Susanna became a homewrecker knowingly.

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There's no need to guess. She's definitely doing it on purpose! Lenora has been criticized for so long for being the other woman, so how could she not know? She didn't even utter a word, causing Lenora to be cyberbullied, and she must be Chapter 131 Susanna The Homewrecker

laughing behind our backs.

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Meanwhile, only a small portion of the netizens who had attacked Lenora previously admitted to being swayed by the crowd and apologized to Lenora. The majority, however, simply pretended nothing happened and deleted their comments. No one could deny how much netizens loved drama.

Meanwhile, some netizens had rushed to the paid social media account that started the controversy to

comment:

Lenora is not the other woman. That's a

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While some netizens had remained silent and disheartened, others had celebrated with exhilaration. That was just how things played out on the internet.

Those who had spoken out against cyberbullying were often the same ones mocking Susanna in the comments on her Twitter account.

Had this been orchestrated by the media, Susanna's fans might have dismissed it as a marketing gimmick. However, when someone stirred up this commotion on the studio's Twitter page just as the controversial couple's popularity was surging, netizens couldn't help but question its authenticity. The studio, instead of addressing the issue directly, replied with a playful puppy emoji.

To the couple's fans, this was seen as an implicit admission. Someone captured a screenshot and shared it on the fan club account, and even now, it remains a hot topic in forums.

With that screenshot, Susanna's haters found new ammunition, labeling her a third wheel and attacking her on Lenora's behalf.

Yet, the studio's casual response seemed to ride the wave of popularity, leaving Lenora to suffer cyberbullying without offer

clarification.

After all, someone had to take the fall

Some fans, particularly Yara's supporters, who were at odds with Susanna's family took pleasure in spreading the drama. Even a few of Jonas' fans created anonymous accounts to join the criticism. Tensions between the two families had already simmered since the start of the filming of "Cloudwater City."

Susanna quickly became a trending topic.

Half an hour later, Susanna's studio finally issued a statement, claiming that she and Zachary were just friends and warning those spreading falsehoods to stop slandering her.

Her top fans rallied to defend her, voicing their support across social media.

Amid the noise, one particularly biting comment stood out. You're the studio representing Susanna, yet you stayed silent when rumors about her and Zachary first emerged. When Lenora was smeared as the third wheel, You said nothing. But the moment Zachary steps up to clear the air, you suddenly release a statement. Perfect timing, huh? Such a disgusting move.

The fans held unwavering faith in their beloved celebrity. Amid the controversy, a devoted fan took the initiative to rally others, urging them to hold the studio accountable and demand a change in management. Many joined the cause, commenting and sharing their agreement.

In the end, Susanna's studio had no choice but to release another statement, announcing that due to operational mishandling, those responsible for the mismanagement would be dismissed.

Reactions to the interview varied.

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However, Jonas was stunned when Zachary continued in the interview, "I never expected some people would push their luck by publishing my wife's personal information online..." Jonas was confused. His wife? Who is his wife?

Then he heard the host ask. "Are you implying that Ms. Wilkin is your wife?"

Jonas held his breath, his eyes intently fixed on Zachary

Upon hearing Zachary affirm that he and Lenora had been married for three years, Jonas felt a bitter pang in his chest, overwhelmed by a swirl of conflicting emotions.

It dawned on him that Lenora had already been married when he first met her.

By the time the interview concluded, Jonas's perception of Zachary had shifted dramatically. He went from viewing him as an honorable man to condemning him as an absolute j*rk!

Netizens, unaware of the truth, found it easy to believe Zachary's words.

Jonas, well aware of the behind-the-scenes dynamics, had personally witnessed the intimacy between Zachary and Susanna when they were together. In fact, many in their social circle had assumed they were a couple. He was clearly cheat enora, yet now he's pretending to confess his feelings for her in the interview,

ectionate man. How disgusting! Lenora deserves someone far better than this guy!

trying to paint himself as a dec

Meanwhile, Susanna ground her teeth in anger even before the video finished playing. Her eyes with fury as she forcefully hurled the cup in her hand to the ground.

blazed

Still not appeased, she swept all her cosmetics and the desk lamp off the desk, sending them crashing to the floor until the room was in complete disarray. Go to hell, Lenora Wilkin!

Both Susanna and Yelena understood that it would be difficult for her to make a comeback after Zachary had cleared the air.

A few days prior, after Zachary and Lenora left the hospital, four bodyguards claiming to be arranged by Zachary arrived at the ward the following day.

One of the bodyguards stated, "Mr. Fuller has instructed us to calm you down if you fall ill again and the doctor can't manage the situation. It's our responsibility to ensure you don't harm yourself, Ms. Carston!"

With that, Susanna could no longer use her illness as an excuse to keep Zachary by her side.

At that moment, she couldn't see Zachary at all. Though she was considering making further plans, seeing the video made her realize that things had spiraled out of control.

As mocking comments flooded the Twitter comment section, all Yelena could do was have her studio issue a statement

Sighing, she turned to Susanna. "Susanna, what are you planning to do now? If you're thinking of giving up, you could still turn things around by leveraging your position as the female lead in 'Cloudwater City' once this crisis passes. But if you're unwilling to let this slide..."

"I'll never let this slide!" Susanna interrupted, gritting her teeth and uttering each word with conviction. I've suffered too much in silence. How can I just let it go like that? By hook or by crook, I must marry into the Fuller family Zachary will be mine!

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A hint of a smile graced Yelena's face. "Now that's the Susanna I know!"

Susanna glanced at her. "Do you have a plan in mind?"

Yelena nodded and hummed in response. "But it all depends on whether you dare to do it or not."

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Meanwhile, Kieran, after watching the interview, immediately contacted Kenneth. "Kenneth, you've seen Zachary's interview, haven't you? I warned you that there was something between Zachary and Lenora, but you didn't believe me! Look what happened now! Zachary has never given any interviews, yet suddenly, he said so much this time. I'm afraid they're not going to divorce, and I don't think Susanna stands a chance to marry him...."

While he outwardly expressed concern for Susanna, a subtle sense of joy hid in his heart.

Recently, Kenneth had been pressing him for shares and meddling in the company's affairs, which he found irritating.

He dared not burn bridges with them out of fear that Susanna might become the lady of the Fuller family. However, looking at the situation now, he no longer needed to worry. If Kenneth demanded shares again, he could simply refuse. He can't do anything to me now anyway.

Kenneth was at his mistress instantly turned grim.

watching a video. A surge of passion rushed to his head, and his face

People in their social circle had regarded Susanna as the future lady of the Fuller family, and he often fancied himself as Zachary's future father-in-law, basking in the adulation and praise of others.

The fact that Zachary had stepped forward to announce that Lenora was his wife and that they had been married for three years put him in an awkward position. What will others think of me in the future? How can I continue running the company without feeling embarrassed? How can I face others and pretend nothing has happened?

His mistress was also taken aback, blurting out, "Mr. Carston, didn't you say Ms. Carston was Mr. Fuller's girlfriend?"

Kenneth's face instantly darkened when he met her gaze. His mouth twitched involuntarily. How am I supposed to answer that question?

The mistress hastily tried to defuse the tension, speaking in a rush, "Please don't be mad, Mr. Carston. It must have been Lenora's fault. She must have seduced Mr. Fuller..."

Kenneth gave a cold huff, zipping up his pants as he walked out. She seduced him? They had already been married for three years!

Kieran's words only deepened his frustration. "Kieran, please stop. I wish I didn't have a daughter like Susanna! What good is she when she can't even keep a man? She's a disgrace to the family!"

Despite having always taken pride in her, he now bashed her as if she were worthless.

Soon after, a few individuals who often tried to curry favor with him began calling. Kenneth's face turned ashen; he was too embarrassed to even answer the phone. I can't believe the opportunity that was right before our doorstep slipped away just like that! Lenora, Jasmine's child with someone else, turned out to be Zachary's wife! Why is Susanna so useless? If only Lenora were my daughter

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All of a sudden, a spark ignited in Kenneth's mind, reminding him of something important. He hastily dialed his secretary and whispered a few instructions.

Upon noticing the secretary's astonished expression, Kenneth continued, "This is merely my speculation. You must be cautious in your actions and ensure that no one else finds out, especially Mrs. Carston, Got it?"

The secretary hastily responded, "Got it, Mr. Carston!"

Desperate to become Zachary's father-in-law, he was willing to claim anyone as his daughter.

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Meanwhile, Zachary had been nowhere to be seen all Sunday.

Perhaps he was unsure how to face Lenora.

Around five in the evening, another piece of news made headlines and trended on Twitter.

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A fire broke out at the Fuller Group's industrial park in Acocester, resulting in one fatality and three injuries. The cause of the fire remains unclear, and an investigation is ongoing.

In a video shared by a passerby, flames soared high into the sky, and the surrounding area was in complete chaos as firefighters worked tirelessly to extinguish the blaze.

Netizens had long harbored a clear animosity toward big corporations and capitalists. Given that Zachary was already in the midst of a public relations storm, even the slightest connection to the fire stirred up significant reactions. The comment section was flooded with mockery, and the narrative that Zachary had cheated on Susanna during their marriage gradually gained traction.

Unbeknownst to everyone, various versions of the cause of the fire began circulating online, with all fingers pointing toward the Fuller family. The situation escalated further as certain marketing accounts fueled the frenzy among netizens. Even though the Fuller Group had issued a statement promising to fully cooperate with the police investigation, it did little to ease the situation. The number of comments exploded, quickly followed by a wave of insults and accusations. Even some of the more rational netizens, who urged patience and advocated waiting for the official investigation, were branded as capitalist lapdogs by the frenzied online community.

When the news broke, Miles rushed to Galaxy Bay. He briefly explained the situation to Lenora, mentioning that Zachary was tied up dealing with the aftermath at work and couldn't make it home for the time being. Without hesitation, he gathered Zachary's belongings and left.

Lenora gazed at the empty room, a frown creasing her brow

She pulled out her phone, standing quietly for a moment, but ultimately decided against making that call.

On Monday, Lenora went to work as usual.

Upon entering the company, everyone she encountered greeted her with a warm smile. "Good day, Ms. Wilkin."

Good morning, Ms. Wilkin."

"Have you had breakfast, Ms. Wilkin? I have an extra serving of soy milk here."

With a gentle smile, Lenora declined and walked around the corner, only to bump into a female coworker head-on.

The employee was about to lose her temper, but when she realized it was Lenora, her expression shifted

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instantly. "I'm sorry, Ms. Wilkin. I hope you're not hurt

"I'm fine," Lenora responded with a grin.

She didn't recognize this female employee but clearly remembered her voice.

The woman was Lulu, the one involved in the controversial couple dispute.

Lenora wasn't sure what to say. It is what it i

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At nine in the morning, the police of Acocester released details about the fire incident. According to surveillance footage and survivor testimonies, it was revealed that the deceased had been drinking while on duty, which led to improper operation and triggered the fire. Many netizens, influenced by irresponsible media, questioned the police report and demanded the release of the surveillance footage.

Whenever mishaps occurred involving capitalists, the general public quickly laid the blame on them, often disregarding the truth. What had the capitalists done wro silence them.

ir only mistake was failing to offer money to the netizens to

In this incident, doubts arose that the victims were not staff on duty but had instead been forced to stay back for overtime..

Some skeptics suggested that the survivors could not provide valid evidence, asserting they might have been bribed to twist the truth. Additionally, questions about the adequacy of fire safety measures in the industrial park surfaced, Suggesting potential safety risks. From time to time, all kinds of conspiracy theories emerged.

Occasionally, one or two netizens would post statements expressing their faith in the police, but these voices were drowned out by the torrent of criticism, making barely a ripple. Those posts became targets for indignant netizens, who relentlessly mocked the posters, deriding them as naive.

Not long after, a clip from an interview skyrocketed to the top of the trending list on Twitter, its popularity continuing to surge.

The interview featured Heston Murphy, the son of the deceased.

Appearing to be a young man in his twenties and dressed in simple attire, he faced the camera, wiping away tears from the corners of his red-rimmed eyes. "My dad has always been an honest and diligent worker. How could he possibly drink on duty? He toiled his entire life, earning money so I could study, and didn't even get a chance to enjoy the fruits of his labor before passing away so young. I won't allow anyone to tarnish his reputation after his death! I don't want money: I just want justice! I'm going to appeal, and I ask for the support of all netizens. Thank you!"

The comments section was overwhelmingly supportive of the family, with many launching criticisms and accusations against the Fuller family.

The issue of drinking was sensitive; the workers' compensation insurance stated that any incidents 9742

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involving intoxication or drug use could not be classified as work-related injuries.

In other words, if an employee failed to adhere to the work discipline and the rules set by the employer and ended up getting injured at work due to operating machinery while intoxicated, it was highly unlikely that the injury would be recognized as a work-related injury. The worker who failed to comply with the rules would bear the responsibility for any mishaps, while the company would be held accountable for its lack of proper supervision. This situation created a complex web of liability, where the compensation amounts could vary significantly. The Fuller Group released a statement on their official Twitter account, asserting their respect for the results of the police investigation and vowing to act in accordance with the law.

Some netizens expressed their disdain, questioning why the Fuller family stirred up such a fuss when they, given their incredible wealth, could have easily compensated them two million and put the matter to rest.

Yet, some argued that if the deceased really did cause the industrial park fire due to improper operations after drinking, then the Fuller family were also victims and shouldn't be directly held accountable for the accident. However, those making such remarks were heavily criticized in the comment section.

The administrative review of the accident would take time, and during this period, discussions surrounding the industrial park fire remained heated.

Many netizens closely followed the case, eagerly awaiting the outcome of the administrative review,

The Fuller Group's stocks continued to plummet, causing chaos within the stock market. It was a complete mess, filled with sighs of despair and curses thrown into the air.

Lenora was at work, and the tension in the office was palpable. The phone in the CEO's office rang non-stop, with various media outlets calling one after another to inquire about the situation.

All the secretaries were instructed to tell callers that the company was actively working on the issue and asked for everyone's patience while they awaited further updates.

A secretary approached Lenora with an important message. "Mr. Fuller just called. He advised you out of sight for now, especially when entering or leaving the company

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Lenora understood that some media outlets would go to great lengths for clicks and would corner her just to grab public attention

She nodded in acknowledgment but couldn't help asking, "When will Mr. Fuller be back!"

"He didn't say anything about that."

Meanwhile, at the industrial park in Acocester, the building that had caught fire was cordoned off, and all employees had temporarily ceased their work.

Two senior executives, looking weary, stepped out of the elevator and headed straight for Zachary's temporary office.

It was hard to gauge Zachary's emotions from his composed tone over the phone, but no one wanted their projects associated with negative news-especially when unscrupulous media outlets were setting their

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own narratives,

In the office, Zachary stood before the floor-to-ceiling window, his gaze fixed on the fire-ravaged building. He held a cup of coffee, savoring it slowly.

As the two executives entered, he gestured for them to sit on the couch, his tone steady. "All right. Tell me what happened."

One of the executives, responsible for the industrial park, sat rigidly, appearing somewhat nervous. "Mr. Fuller, I take full responsibility for this incident. Our safety and supervision were not up to par. No one expected him to drink while on duty, let alone tamper with the machinery. His shift partner said he was beyond reasoning. We've never encountered such an issue in the past..."

"You're telling me you needed to make a mistake before learning your lesson?" Zachary questioned him.

The person in charge paled, feeling as if he were sitting on pins and needles.

Given that there were three of them on duty, there was no reason they couldn't have persuaded the

worker.

It was evident they hadn't taken was wrong. Afraid of taking resp

tuation seriously until the fire broke out and they realized something oily, they shifted all the blame onto the deceased.

The atmosphere in the office fell into utter silence.

Meanwhile, Jeremy, the executive deputy CEO in charge of the industrial park, rushed to the scene as soon as the incident occurred. He had hoped to contain the situation, but unfortunately, he was a step late.

During the meeting. Jeremy advised, "Mr. Fuller, what's done is done. Our priority now should be controlling public opinion to minimize the impact. Once that's under control, I'll meet with the family personally to negotiate a private settlement. This is the most prudent course of action."

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Zachary looked at the person in charge of the industrial park.

The person in charge immediately straightened up, echoing, "I agree with Mr. Gale's approach of first reducing the public pressure, then mediating privately. At most, it's about paying some money. If you let him continue like this, it would be extremely detrimental to the company."

Zachary leaned against the back of the couch, his right hand resting on the armrest. His fingers curled rhythmically, tapping gently. "The situation is still escalating. There are definitely reporters staking out at Heston's house right now. If we go and seek a private settlement now, it will only make us look guilty. Besides, the results of the administrative review haven't come out yet. Let's wait a bit longer."

Jeremiah disagreed with Zachary's idea. "The company has been plagued by negative news lately, with the stock prices continuously falling, causing great dissatisfaction among shareholders. Regardless of the outcome of the administrative review, even if the deceased was at fault, compensating the deceased's family well is a good deed that can help salvage the company's reputation"

"Mr. Gale, I remembered you as full of vigor and vitality. The industrial park wouldn't be as large as it is now without your contributions. But now, after spending so much time in the office, why have you become so timid?"

Jeremiah was rendered speechless.

The press has already set their sights on Fuller Group. Do you think settling this privately will sway public opinion? If we keep this under wraps now, what happens if a similar situation arises in the future? Do we keep it quiet again? Fuller Group isn't in the habit of playing the scapegoat. If we are indeed at fault, we will willingly compensate. But if the problem doesn't lie with us, Fuller Group will not bear the brunt."

The person in charge of the industrial park glanced at Jeremiah.

Upon seeing Zachary's determination, Jeremiah sighed and turned to the person in charge. "Follow Mr. Fuller's instructions. There are reporters waiting downstairs. Be mindful of your words when you speak. Don't come off as too aggressive, but also don't be too submissive. Let's wait for the outcome from the police!"

The person in charge regained his composure. "I understand."

At that moment, there was a knock at the door from outside.

"Mr. Fuller."

It was Miles,

"Come in."

"Mr. Fuller, Jerald's secretary has responded. We're meeting at Centurial Club at seven tonight."

The compensation to the deceased's family and public opinion were minor issues. The real concern was the potential difficulties from higher-ups. This was Zachary's true purpose for coming here. Okay."

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Jeremiah chuckled. "In recent years, the industrial park has been attracting more and more investors, and Jerald has always been supportive."

As soon as the fire broke out, he immediately halted production within the industrial park, waiting for the relevant departments to come and investigate.

Since the safety risks had already been eliminated, it would be better to restore order sooner rather than later. Any further delay would result in a significant waste of funds.

"The success is all thanks to the adept management of Mr. Fuller and Mr. Gale," the person in charge of the industrial park said with a smile.

Two days later, operations at the industrial park started to resume.

"Mr. Fuller, aren't we heading back yet?" Miles asked.

Even though Mr. Fuller could have returned home yesterday, he chose to stay an extra day here for reasons unknown.

Zachary glanced at the date displayed on his phone screen and fell silent.

Following the fire incident at his company, he once again experienced the wrath of public opinion firsthand.

Online, people simply echoed each other's sentiments, leaving no room for justification even when evidence was presented.

Lenora must have been filled with such helplessness and despair before.

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itation provide really too late? Has she watched that interview segment yet? What does she think of it? win she still choose to divorce me?

"Book a flight for me, would you?"

It was Wednesday evening.

When Lenora got off work and returned home, he noticed a pair of handmade men's leather shoes at the entrance. Beside it, hanging on a coat rack, was a black trench coat. She paused slightly. He's back?

"Finished with work?"

When Lenora looked up, she saw Zachary sitting on the living room couch. He was leaning against the back of the couch, his legs crossed, his eyes fixed on her

"Mmm. Have you settled your affairs?" Lenora regained her composure and continued changing her

shoes.

"Almost done. I can leave the rest for others to handle.

Dressed in slippers, Lenora strolled into the living room. Zachary casually poured a glass of water and pushed it to the edge of the coffee table. In a seemingly nonchalant tone, he asked, "Did you watch the interview video from the other day?" 2/4

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"Seen it." Lenora settled down on the couch, picked up the water glass, and took a sip.

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Zachary paused momentarily, seemingly taken aback by Lenora's brief response. Tentatively, he asked, "Any thoughts?"

Lenora looked at him and utterly impassively, "No."

Zachary's gaze darkened.

"When are we going to City Hall to get our divorce certificate?"

Zachary froze. His gaze fell on Lenora. "Are you still insisting on a divorce?"

"Yes."

"We had already gone public."

"Who said we can't get a divorce after going public?"

"Why?"

"Didn't I mention it last time?"

"It's because of Jonas, isn't it? He risked his own career for you, fought for you, and diverted netizens' attention away from you. He let you listen to that recording, didn't he?"

Lenora furrowed her brow, looking at him with a puzzled expression. "What do you mean? Jonas fought someone for me? What recording?"

"It's nothing." Zachary averted his gaze, shaking his head. "Then what's the real reason you insist on divorcing?"

"I simply don't want to continue living with you. Go fulfill your promise to Susanna. Isn't it okay for me to live my ordinary life?"

"Is this because of Susanna? What do you want me to do? I'll agree to anything you ask."

"Haven't you always wanted to be with her? I'll step aside for

I two.

"Okay, if you don't like her, I'll send her abroad. She won't be able to come between us anymore. How does that sound?"

Seeing Zachary's unyielding demeanor, Lenora stood up, took a deep breath, and closed her eyes. "Zachary, stop deceiving yourself and others. No matter what you do, I

will insist on divorcing!" Having said that, she turned around and ascended the staircase.

"Lenora, don't leave!"

Zachary embraced her from behind, his arms tightly wrapped around her waist. His hot breath fanned her nape as he pleaded in a low voice, "Give me another chance, please... Don't be so cruel!"

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Just as he had come to the realization that he was falling for her, that he couldn't live without her, she had chosen to pursue a divorce.

"Zachary, I've given you plenty of opportunities, yet you failed to seize any of them." Lenora lowered her gaze. "It's not that I gave up on you. You never chose me."

She was never the priority.

Even this time, Zachary only chose to step forward and clarify things when her personal information was leaked and the situation spiraled out of control.

Lenora found her thoughts drifting back to that black forest cake.

This symbolized his casual indifference and represented her most naive and purest love.

The thoughts and feelings of a seventeen-year-old girl were akin to that piece of cake—a mix of bitter and

sweet..

Had she known back then that the cake was something Susanna didn't want, she wouldn't have accepted it. nor would she have allowed herself to develop a fondness for bitter chocolates.

Just like her marriage, it was outwardly splendid. She had taken a bite full of anticipation, only to find it unbearably bitter.

From the very beginning, it was fated that she was Zachary's second choice, and it had been destined that this marriage would always have to make way for Susanna.

She just

didn't realize that at all. Even she had been fooled by the exquisite packaging of the chocolate.

Now she understood that she still had a fondness for candy, the sweet, delicate kind. It reminded her of the fruit candies sold in the village's small shop during her childhood. They were simple, costing only a penny each, yet their sweetness reached her heart. Presented before her now was a meticulously packaged piece of candy, offered by Zachary. She knew, nestled inside was bitter chocolate.

"All I need is this one chance."

The usually aloof Zachary, for the first time, pleaded humbly/ "Lenora, will you let me make it up to you?"

Lenora stood her ground, eventually breaking free from his grasp. Without looking back, she ascended the

stairs.

This sweet piece of candy, which was as delightful as a ripe fruit, ultimately got discarded.

Zachary's arms were suddenly empty, his gaze fixated on her determined retreating figure, a piece of his heart feeling hollow.

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When Michael pushed open the door to the private room, seeing only Zachary inside, he began to say something.

He closed the door behind him, pausing before the tea table. His gaze fell on the now-empty bottle of wine, and he asked, "Did you have a fight with Lenora?"

Zachary fell silent, absent-mindedly filling his wine glass to the brim before downing it in one gulp.

Seeing him about to pour more wine, Michael swiftly took the wine bottle away.

Zachary was a beat late in his reaction, only belatedly turning to look at Michael. He reached out his hand. "Hand me the wine!"

"You called me here just to watch you drink? I'm not interested in that. If you want to keep drinking. I'll leave right now."

his knee Zachary's body jolted abruptly, his hand that was mid-air suddenly lost strength, slapping onto with a smack. He slumped onto the couch as if all his bones had been drained out, leaving him powerless.

His eyes were half-lowered, concealing the true emotions that lurked within them. The dark circles under his lashes were a clear testament to his recent distress and weariness.

"She wants a divorce from me," Zachary blurted out unexpectedly, yet Michael understood.

He set the wine bottle aside and sat down across from Zachary, his face devoid of any surprise. He let out a sigh and said, "Just as expected."

Suddenly, Zachary looked up.

"The last time we gathered, when you insisted that Charles apologize to Lenora, the only ones truly engrossed in the situation were you and Charles. Back then, Lenora's gaze was calm, indifferent, as if it didn't matter either way." Zachary paused, closing his eyes as he strived to recall Lenora's reaction.

However, he just couldn't seem to recall.

"You often mention how understanding and compliant Lenora is. Her accommodating nature often leads her to put others before herself. However, once she decides to resist, it signifies her utter disappointment, making it extremely difficult for her to change her mind again."

Zachary remained silent for a long while, then opened his eyes to look at Michael. "Why didn't you warn

me sooner?"

Michael chuckled. "I warned you once. A long time ago. I told you not to show any softness toward women Nother than your wife, Zachary. Others might not understand you, but I do. The way you looked at Lenora

back then, you already had feelings for her."

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So, had he started to like Lenora that early on!

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Perhaps he did.

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And so, after he proposed divorce to Lenora, he still claimed that they remained siblings to each other.

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Looking back, it was utterly absurd. Who ever heard of divorced couple becoming siblings?

He was just subconsciously reluctant to leave Lenora,

So, after Lenora readily agreed to the divorce, he found himself feeling unexpectedly unhappy.

Hence, when Lenora expressed her desire to resign and go abroad with Jonas, he vehemently opposed. He racked his brains trying to persuade Lenora to reconsider as if he was genuinely looking out for her like an older brother would for his sister. In reality, it was just his personal desires playing tricks on him.

So, when they were on their way to City Hall to get a divorce, he knew full well that he had left the documents on the table in the hospital room. However, he didn't say a word, hoping to buy some time by delaying the process.

So, after he proposed the divorce, it should have been a simple matter of just going to City Hall to get a divorce certificate. Yet, for some reason, the divorce was still not finalized after such a long delay.

In reality, deep down, he didn't want a divorce at all.

Thus, despite Susanna's several subtle advances, he acted as if he saw nothing, remaining unaffected. In his heart, he found excuses, fearful that his own child would share his fate of being born out of wedlock.

In reality, he had instinctively left some room for himself and Lenora. If they truly took that step, there would be absolutely no turning back.

Looking back now, his twisted and contradictory actions finally had an explanation.

But why had he only realized it now?

"Those involved are often blinded, while outsiders see things clearly. In your past relationship with Susanna, it was she who pursued you, and even more so, it was her who accommodated you. The impression you gave me was that this romance was optional to you. I didn't expect Susanna to come back, let alone that you would get involved with her again after her return. I thought you would understand that the only person who owes Susanna anything is you. Lenora doesn't owe Susanna anything. You shouldn't make Lenora suffer to compensate Susanna, nor should you make Lenora join you in paying back."

Listening to Michael's words, Zachary found himself in a daze for a moment. He gave a foolish smile and said, "Why is it that I'm only just understanding such a simple concept now?"

He recalled that time when he was in bed with Lenora, lost in passion. He received a call from Susanna's agent saying that Susanna had disappeared, he was determined to leave. Lenora tried repeatedly to make him stay, but he still left.

Back then, he was still fuming, accusing her of having not an ounce of empathy.

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Looking back now, the impact of those words was truly devastating.

Why would Lenora feel sympathy for someone who wrecked her marriage?

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If someone were to inform him now that Jonas had disappeared, he would only applaud and cheer.

"Actually, even if you feel indebted to Susanna, you shouldn't overindulge her. After that incident years ago, everyone was blaming you, but they all forgot that you and Susanna were both adults. You weren't her guardian. It was her decision to leave school late at night, and her kidnapping was the result of the kidnapper's evil greed, which had nothing to do with you. Calling the police at that time was the best choice. Otherwise, you alone might not have been able to save her, and you could have even put yourself in danger. I know you feel guilty, which is why you've been trying to make it up to Susanna. Making amends isn't unconditional, would you still obey her if she asked you to break the law? Promises aren't limitless either. After you have a child with Lenora and she returns to the country wanting to reunite, would you still agree to be with her?"

"It all boils down to this, Susanna is an adult. When she chose to go abroad, she essentially gave up on your promise. She needs to take responsibility for her actions. Just like how you can usually let Johanne take the lead, the position of Fuller Group's CEO was given to you by Old Mr. Fuller because he saw your capabilities. It's not that he's inferior to you, and you shouldn't feel guilty about taking what could have been his. Even without you, there's your Uncle Nathan, your cousin. The CEO position at Fuller Group wouldn't necessarily be his."

"I've said all there is to say. Don't go against your own feelings. Take some time to really figure out what in it is that you want. I believe you're capable of making the right choice."

Zachary closed his eyes, unable to regain his composure for a long time.

Regarding the matter of Susanna, among those who knew, apart from his grandmother, Michael was the only one who claimed it had nothing to do with him.

He still remembered the counselor asking, "She ran away, but why didn't you go after her? What kind of boyfriend are you? If you had chased after her, maybe this wouldn't have happened. You don't have any sense of responsibility as a man! What a shame for such a wonderful girl like Susanna..."

The veteran police said, "She's a woman, and you're the man. As a man, you should be more magnanimous. If you don't argue with her, there might not be any issues."

Johanne had said, "I understand you want to identify who leaked the data and quickly recover from the loss. However, without concrete evidence, you can't just accuse your girlfriend. Not to mention, the kidnapper targeted you... Such an event can leave a lasting psychological scar on a woman, so you need to take responsibility for her future..."

As he gradually grew up and started to understand the world around him, whispers would often find their way to his ears. "Is this the child that Ronald brought back from outside? I heard that he even had a fight with his wife over him before they died!" "It was him! If it weren't for this child, the couple wouldn't have passed away at such a young age."

"Who could disagree? Madeline was such a wonderful girl. She had a radiant beauty, always greeting people with a warm smile, and her relationship with Ronald... it was truly special..." Madeline was Ronald's wife.

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"In my opinion, Johanne is the most pitiful. Out of the blue, he ended up with a brother to fight over the family fortune, not to mention he lost his parents at such a young age..." The repeated sighs of regret etched deeply into Zachary's heart.

No one had ever considered that Zachary, younger than Johanne, had lost his parents at an even earlier

age.

Perhaps it was because he was an illegitimate child.

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In the stillness of the night, a black Cayenne discreetly pulled into the underground parking lot of the

hotel where the film crew of Cloudwater City was staying..

The driver stopped the car. Catching sight of the resting Zachary in the rearview mirror, he informed, "Mr. Fuller, we've arrived." "Mm-hmm."

Zachary responded with his eyes closed, and then there was silence, as if he had fallen asleep.

The driver, overwhelmed by the strong scent of alcohol in the car, hesitated, unsure whether to continue reminding Zachary.

Two minutes had passed, and Zachary began to move in the back seat.

His eyes squinted into a slit, his hand randomly searching his body a couple of times. He then pulled out his phone from the inner pocket of his suit. After tapping on it a few times, a dial tone echoed from the device.

Quickly, the call was answered. The voice on the other end was tired but couldn't hide its surprise. "Zack?"

"I'm at the ground floor of your hotel,"

After Zachary sent over a bodyguard, Susanna realized that if Zachary no longer indulged her, she wouldn't be able to see Zachary at all if he didn't want to see her.

Her previous method was no longer effective. She had no choice but to pretend she was fine and continue filming, biding her time.

Unexpectedly, on the second day of joining the film crew, Zachary sought her out in the middle of the night.

Susanna was overjoyed, her fatigue instantly evaporating. "I'm coming down to see you right away!"

She quickly got up from her bed, intending to change her clothes. But then, as if struck by a sudden thought, she walked over to the mirror and studied herself carefully.

Her chest-length hair was messy, a clear sign of just waking up. Her eyes were still half-closed, her expression sleepy. She was clad in a floral strappy nightgown, the hem of which was quite short, reaching only to her thighs in teasing allure. After some thought, she applied a simple coat of lipstick to her lips. She rummaged through her wardrobe

and put on a short jacket. Grabbing her room key, she beaded straight out the door.
"Zack!"

In the quiet underground parking lot, Susanna's shout was particularly clear.

Zachary glanced outside through the car window before opening the door and stepping out.

"Why didn't you come up?" Susanna approached him, eyes alight with joy, yet she dared not get too close.

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She bit her lower lip. "I thought you would never come to see me again... Zack, have you been drinking!"

Upon catching a strong whiff of alcohol from him, Susanna asked, "Would you like to come up for a cup of coffee?" "There's no need to go up. I'm here to tell you something." Zachary leaned against the car door, his voice indifferent.

In the dimly lit underground parking lot, his expression was concealed within the shadows, obscure and indiscernible. Susanna's heart dropped as she softly asked, "What's the matter?"

"You should leave the country. I'll arrange for your journey abroad. Don't ever come back again."

Susanna's eyes suddenly widened. "Zack, what did you say?" [SEARCH THE \(f\)indNØVEL.net website](#) to access chapters of novels early and in the highest quality.

"I'll send you abroad, and you should never come back

"No-

Susanna vehemently shook her head in refusal, clutching Zachary's sleeve tightly.
"Zachary, I don't want to go abroad again! I don't want to leave alone anymore. You

don't know what I've been through all these years overseas! Every night, I would wake up from nightmares, unable to sleep night after night. I was terrified. Only when you're by my side, can I relax. Zachary, I can't leave you. I beg you, please don't push me away!"

Zachary's face was expressionless as he withdrew his sleeve from her grip, his brisk action reflecting his distance. "If that's the case, why did you insist on breaking up and leaving in the first place?"

"L... You've been so kind to me, but I'm sullied now. I'm not worthy of you, and I can't face you..." Susanna wiped her tears. "I was drowning in such thoughts for a while, but later I realized, I can't live without you. You've been so good to me. Surely, you wouldn't care about the things that happened to me. So, I want to start over with you!"

"Sadly, it's already too late. No one stays in the same place forever. I'm giving you two options. First, I can arrange for you to go abroad. Given the current public opinion brewing at home, this place is no longer conducive for your career. Overseas, you already have fan base, allowing you to continue your career as before."

Susanna shook her head. "I don't want this choice. I don't want to go. I don't want to leave you."

Zachary glanced at her. "So, you're choosing the second option? You can stay here, but going forward, we'd have nothing to do with each other. I'd replace the lead actress of Cloudwater City, revoke your endorsements, and withdraw all your privileges. Think carefully about these two options."

Susanna looked at Zachary in disbelief, momentarily at a loss for words.

to the domestic entertainment industry, talent didn't matter. It was all about connections.

Countless talented actors, due to their lack of connections, found themselves plateauing in their careers, unable to break free from minor roles. Meanwhile, lead roles were continuously being filled by attractive yet talentless individuals.

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Even though the Carston family held a respectable position in Jacaster, Susanna understood clearly that her own father was nothing more than a useless man. He was only interested in galivanting all day and had a particular fondness for bragging and harbored an inflated ego. As for her uncle, despite his seemingly kind demeanor, he was in reality selfish and self-serving.

Without Zachary's support, she feared that her uncle might not even be willing to keep up appearances with her.

Thus, she couldn't afford to lose everything she had now.

Susanna looked at Zachary, her expression was one of feigned sorrow. A flicker of jealousy flashed in her eyes, quickly disappearing. Her fists clenched tightly, her fingernails digging into her palms.

"Zack, did you really need to do this? Do you despise me that much? Do you know that after your interview was aired, everyone started accusing me of being the other woman in your marriage..."

"Was that not your intention? Zachary glanced at her indifferently.

Susanna's expression froze. The words she was about to utter were stuck in her throat, unable to be voiced.

"You knew full well that I was married to Lenora, yet you repeatedly feigned illness to have me by your side. You took advantage of my guilt toward you, hurting Lenora time and again. Didn't you feel a shred of guilt in your heart?"

Zachary's voice turned cold as he spoke to Susanna. Yet, with every word he uttered, the loathing he felt for himself only intensified. He knew the truth all too well-the one who had hurt Lenora the most wasn't Susanna but him. He was the root of all her suffering; the real villain in this story.

Zachary looked at the stunned Susanna and let out a deep sigh. "Susanna," he said, "we should both move on and start our lives anew. What happened before was my fault. I shouldn't have given you hope, let alone indulged you. I can promise you a successful career but nothing more beyond that. It's time for you to make a choice."

"Zack, don't be so cruel..." Susanna said through her tears.

"If I were truly cruel, I would have left you to fend for yourself abroad!" Zachary said with a cold expression.

If he had been cruel to Susanna earlier, none of this would have happened.

Seeing

Susanna merely crying, not uttering a word, Zachary fell silent for a moment before speaking in a soft voice. "In that case, I'll make a choice for you. Someone will come tomorrow to take you to the airport. Make sure to pack your things in advance." With that, Zachary opened the car door and got in.

In a state of panic, Susanna reached out to grab him, tears gushing out from her eyes and streaming down her cheeks. "Wait! Zack, 111 do as you say. I'll go abroad and never come back. Can you give me a few days? At least let me say a proper goodbye to my parents and friends!"

"One week. Someone will take you to the airport after a week."

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Zachary calmly got into the car and closed the door.

The black Cayenne quietly drove away into the ni

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departing unnoticed by anyone except Susanna,

Soon, the car came to a halt within the courtyard of Galaxy Bay

Leaning against the backseat, Zachary remained motionless. He said to the driver, "You can go back now."

"Yes, Mr. Fuller, you should rest early too."

After speaking, the driver opened the door and got out of the car.

Not long after the driver left, Zachary stepped out of the car. He leaned against the car door, lifting his gaze toward the master bedroom on the second floor.

It was pitch black.

She should be sound asleep by now.

The large bed she was laying on once bore traces of him.

Over the course of three years, they had shared many passionate nights on that large bed.

They too had once been blissfully in love.

However, he had destroyed all of that with his own hands, shattering their relationship into pieces.

Nothing was left but an empty shell.

Just like his heart, there was a piece missing.

Zachary pulled out a lighter from his pocket, along with a pack of cigarettes he had gotten from Michael. He pulled out a cigarette from the pack, clamped it between his lips, and lit the end with a lighter.

A harsh, pungent taste invaded his mouth, causing a sudden sting in his lungs. He quickly pulled out the cigarette, doubling over as he started to cough.

Once he had settled down, he positioned the cigarette back between his lips and exhaled a languid stream

of smoke.

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Three days later, a trending topic took the internet by form.

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The role of Aqua, the leading lady in Cloudwater City, was being recast, prompting the production team to initiate a new round of auditions.

Reflecting on the interview from not too long ago, netizens began to speculate that Zachary and Susanna had broken up.

The astute netizens noticed that Susanna's endorsements had also been removed from the Fuller Group official website.

It seems like Zachary plans to be a good man and return to his family, doesn't he?

Upon receiving the news, Avery was both shocked and elated.

All in all, his joy outweighed the shock.

The shock was that some scenes would inevitably have to be reshot with the female lead replaced. This would result in wasted time, effort, and money.

The silver lining was that the investors were the ones footing the bill for the reshoot. From the get-go, Susanna was the preselected choice of the investors; he didn't have a say in it. Now, being able to select the female lead according to his preferences, he didn't mind the additional hassle.

The head of Stardust Entertainment's investments organized a dinner at a private restaurant, inviting Avery and Zachary over.

The private restaurant was located in a secluded area, nestled deep within an alley. Patrons had to park their vehicles outside the alley and walk a distance to reach it. However, the interior was well-decorated, the food was outstanding, and the service was meticulous. Despite its remote location, it still attracted a considerable number of customers.

Recalling the last time he had dinner with Zachary, Avery remembered how intimately Zachary behaved with Susanna who was sitting next to him.

Meanwhile, Jonas and Lenora were engaged in a light-hearted conversation on the other side. Now, thinking about the relationship between Zachary and Lenora, Avery felt somewhat awkward. He had even teased Jonas and Lenora in front of Zachary the last time. However, Zachary remained calm, raising his glass to Avery. "I'm sorry to have troubled you, Mr. Chance. I won't interfere with the film crew's work in the future."

"It's no trouble at all. It's truly an honor to work with you, Mr. Fuller!" Avery quickly lifted his wine glass, offering a polite reply.

The weather was unpleasant that day. They were halfway through their meal when it started to rain. After they finished their meal, the head of Stardust Entertainment and Avery left first.

Zachary emerged from the restroom, exchanged a few pleasantries with the restaurant owner, then grabbed his umbrella and left the private restaurant.

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The rain was falling heavily, leaving the alley almost deserted. All that remained was the constant sound of the pouring rain echoing around.

Six men approached from the entrance of the alley, each carrying an umbrella, engaged in lively conversation and laughter.

As they brushed past each other, a flash of white light momentarily filled Zachary's vision.

A blade, radiating a cold intent, was aimed directly at his abdomen. Zachary's pupils contracted, and with blistering speed, he seized the wrist of the one wielding the knife.

The umbrella fell to the ground, and the rain hit his face.

Just a moment ago, Zachary was still uncertain about their identities. Without any hesitation, the other five men pulled out knives from their clothes. They tossed their umbrellas to the ground and lunged at Zachary, Zachary was quick on his feet. With a swift sidestep, he dodged and retaliated with a swift side kick. With a resounding smack, a dagger hit the ground.

Several daggers were simultaneously thrust toward Zachary, whistling through the air as they went

-Zachary didn't manage to dodge in time and one of the men managed to slash his arm. He quickly

grabbed hold of the man's arm, forcefully pushing his shoulder against the man's chest, and in one swift move, he flipped the man over his shoulder onto the ground

Drenched from head to toe, Zachary leaned against the wall, rainwater trickling down his face. He eyed the six beaten figures before him warily, their features blurred under the downpour. "Who are you?"

"Damn you, give us back our money!" A tall man, with eyes red from fury, charged aggressively at Zachary

Zachary swiftly sidestepped, seizing the man's wrist. With a swift elbow strike to his chest, he forced the man into retreat.

The other five individuals immediately rushed forward, simultaneously attacking Zachary. Each of them was armed with a knife. Zachary reacted swiftly, but he still ended up getting injured.

Swoosh! A blade sliced through the sleeve of his suit, causing blood to gush out from his arm and quickly disappear into the rain.

Zachary let out a furious roar, sending the man sprawling with a kick. The man collapsed to the ground, clutching his stomach, and spat out a mouthful of blood

"Alright, maybe we should..." One of them began to have second thoughts.

The original plan was merely to make Zachary suffer a little.

However, at that very moment, it was clear that everyone had lost their rational mind. Their attacks were brutal, showing no signs of stopping. They had completely forgotten the initial intentions. Meanwhile, Zachary was fiercely fending off their attacks.

Right at that moment, someone from behind lunged forward. The knife in hand was aimed straight at Zachary's back.

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"Zack, watch out!"

Swoosh! The blade pierced through flesh.

"Ahh!" A woman's scream echoed, one that was piercing and heart-wrenching.

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A news notification popped up: On the afternoon of the twenty-fourth of October, at 2:18 pm, a knife attack occurred on Gishwick Road in Jacaster. Two individuals were injured and are currently receiving treatment at the hospital. The case is presently under investigation. Lenora was engrossed in her work, paying no mind to it.

It wasn't until ten minutes later that Sophia, who was fervently surfing the web, shared a link. "Nora, don't you think the guy in the video at the fifty-seven-second mark resembles the tyrant?" she asked.

Lenora paused, then clicked on the link with her mouse.

It was a video shot by a passerby

The video was zoomed in, compromising the clarity of the shot. Amidst the clamor of the rain, only a few medical personnel could be seen moving about, lifting the injured off the ground and onto the ambulance. Lenora scrolled the timeline to the fifty-seventh second, where a man's profile flashed briefly across the

screen

It seemed to indeed be Zachary,

Lenora attempted to pause the video but was a moment too late. The screen froze at the fifty-eighth second, focusing on a casualty on a stretcher. They were dressed in a black garment, with an arm expo appearing to be a woman. Lenora was just about to hit the play button when suddenly, something caught her eye. She focused her attention on the woman's wrist.

The woman had a bracelet adorning her wrist. Through the grainy video, one could barely make out its soft blue hue, which emitted a faint glow in the rain-

A premonition stirred within Lenora's heart. The person on the stretcher, she suspected, was Susanna. Upon closer inspection, she recognized the black attire on the woman as a trench coat of Zachary's

Then, without a doubt, the man who briefly appeared in the video was Zachary,

A hint of mockery flashed in Lenora's eyes.

A few days ago, Zachary had repeatedly expressed his intention to send Susanna abroad. However, in reality, he couldn't bear to let her go.

Why drag things out instead of getting a divorce? What's the point? Why won't he accept me giving him the freedom to

be with Susanna?

About half an hour had passed when a junior assistant knocked on the door. "Ms. Wilkin, Mr. Fuller wants to see you in the CEO's office."

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Lenora was taken aback. "Isn't he out?"

"I'm not sure about this. It was Mr. Lancaster who called me on the office line."

"Did he mention why Mr. Fuller wants to see me?"

"No."

"Alright, I'll be there shortly."

Lenora finished up her work at hand and headed toward the CEO's office.

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She had barely reached the door when it seemed like her footsteps were already heard from within. A voice said, "No need to knock, just come in." Taken aback, Lenora paused momentarily before pushing the door open and entering. The sight that greeted her in the office left her frozen on the spot. "Why... Why are you undressing in the office in broad daylight?"

After she finished speaking, she quickly turned away, refusing to look at him. A soft blush was visible on her face.

Zachary's upper body was bare, exposing his broad arms and chest. His muscles were clearly defined. His eight-pack abs were ripped, accentuating his love handle.

He made no attempt to cover his body, lounging unashamedly on the couch with one hand clutching his shoulder. His gaze was locked onto Lenora, his voice weak and feeble. "Nora, I'm injured. Can you help me bandage..." His clothes were completely soaked. Initially, he intended to go straight home, but upon second thought, he decided to head to the office instead.

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Lenora stood still, her thoughts drifting back to the news she had just seen. She asked, "Didn't you go to the hospital? Why didn't you sort it out while you were there?" "Who said I went to the hospital?"

"The news reported that the two injured individuals were rushed to the hospital for treatment."

"I didn't go to the hospital."

Zachary saw Lenora standing still and repeated, "Nora, could you come over and give me a hand?"

Lenora observed the knife wounds on his shoulder and arm. Besides that, there were several bruises and scrapes scattered across his body.

Her eyes flickered slightly. Though she was reluctant to admit it, she couldn't deny the concern that welled up within her.

"Why don't you go to the hospital and get it treated?" After a moment of silence, she finally mustered the courage to say it.

"I don't want to. The hospital is crowded and chaotic. Who knows, I might

He didn't like his private life to be under a spotlight.

He also didn't want Lenora to know that Susanna was hurt because of him.

"Should I call Mr. Lancaster to come in?"

"He isn't here. He has gone to deal with something else

"What about your other secretaries...

"If you're not willing, then forget it. I'll do it myself."

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Zachary lowered his gaze, a self-deprecating smile playing on his lips. He opened the first aid kit in front of him, rummaging for ointment and gauze.

He haphazardly applied the ointment onto the wound, clumsily wrapping it with gauze in a rather skewed

manner.

After several painstaking rounds of wrapping, he realized that there was no scissors, leaving him no choice but to tear the gauze by hand. After a few attempts to tear it, he ended up tightening the bandage, causing the area around the wound to

turn red.

Suddenly, the sound of a door opening echoed.

He looked up, only to find that Lenora's figure was no longer in sight.

Zachary froze, leaning powerlessly against the back of the couch, no longer continuing his act.

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She genuinely doesn't feel a shred of sympathy for me now. So, acting pitiful is futile already

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Zachary closed his eyes in bitterness, grabbing the edge of the gauze. With a simple yank, he tore off the excess cloth and casually tossed it onto the table. ""You fore

tore it already?" Lenora appeared at the office door, scissors in hand.

Zachary looked up, his eyes filled with surprise as he stared at her. He pressed his lips together, then lowered his gaze. "Mmm-hmm, you should get back to work. I can manage on my own. Lenora furrowed her brows. "I brought you a pair of scissors."

She stepped forward, placing the scissors next to the first aid kit. "I'm heading back to work now. Don't forget to have your secretary send over a set of clothes.

Upon noticing that his pants were still damp, she ultimately couldn't resist reminding him.

Seeing Lenora turn and walk away, Zachary felt a tightness in his chest that seemingly suffocated him.

Lenora halted, turning to look at him. "Is there anything else?"

Zachary slowly rose to his feet, his gaze deeply fixed on Lenora. "Nora, does it pain you to see me injured? Even a little would be enough..."

Lenora was also staring at him, their eyes locked. She let out a chuckle. "Zachary, there's no point in fussing over this now."

Just a while ago, he was still with Susanna, who had taken knife for him and is now lying in the hospital. Yet he has the audacity to come and ask me if it pains me to see him in this state? What on earth is he thinking? "Why not?" Zachary took a step closer.

"Instead of wasting time fretting over this, you'd be better off tending to your wounds and changing your clothes. Then, make a quick trip to the hospital to check on Susanna.

Zachary's face changed, realizing that Lenora could identify him as one of the victims from the news. was natural that she could also figure out that the other injured person was Susanna.

He immediately clarified, "I had lunch with Mr. Chance this afternoon. He left first, and then I ran into those people. I have no idea why Susanna was there, let alone why someone stabbed her. "So, you're saying it's all just a coincidence, right?"

"Yes." Zachary looked into Lenora's eyes, nodding earnestly without a hint of hesitation. "If you don't believe me, ask Mr. Chance. I really don't know..."

"You don't need to explain."

In reality, if Zachary wanted to see Susanna, he could just go. There was no need to hide anything from her or painstakingly create any pretense of coincidence. However, she simply didn't care, Moreover, Susanna, in a touching move, had risked her life to take a knife for him, demonstrating her deep affection.

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Now, all it would take was for Zachary to agree to a divorce, and she could immediately grant them their wish of being together.

Zachary's brows furrowed deeply, his eyes darkening. "You don't believe what I'm saying?"

Lenora lowered her eyes, falling silent for a moment. "used to trust you deeply, but now it doesn't matter

anymore."

Through his actions, he taught her a lesson. She came to understand that even the person she was sharing a bed with couldn't be entirely trusted.

Her husband was the one who had it easiest when it came to deceiving her and manipulating her trust.

He had personally shattered her faith in him.

Zachary tensed up, a sour feeling creeping up his throat, "Nora, I-

Interrupting him, Lenora said, "No matter what, Susanna was injured because of you. You can't just abandon her at the hospital. Go and see her. I need to get back to work." She turned around and left.

Zachary reached out, attempting to grasp something.

In the end, her sleeve still slipped away from his grasp, leaving nothing but thin air between his fingers.

Zachary stood dejectedly in place, lying in the mess he had made.

The scent of disinfectant filled her nostrils as Susanna regained consciousness.

The only one by his side was Yelena.

"Where's Zack?" Susanna asked weakly.

Yelena shook her head, gesturing toward the door. "He didn't come to the hospital. He sent his personal assistant instead."

A trace of disappointment crossed Susanna's face. "Didn't you ask Mr. Lancaster why he didn't come?" Zachary isn't keeping vigil by my side here But I took a knife for him! Was it Lenora who stopped him from coming? "I asked, and Mr. Lancaster said that Mr. Fuller is deeply grateful for your kindness. He will cover all your medical and nutritional expenses until you fully recover. He will also urge the police to catch the culprit as soon as possible, to seek justice for you. If needed, he has prepared a check for two million as a token of appreciation."

Susanna couldn't believe it.

Hook a knife for him, and he thinks he can dismiss her with just a bit of money? Has he really have become so heartless now! This is all Lenora's fault!

Yelena added, "I overheard Mr. Lancaster asking the doctor earlier if your current condition allows for air travel."

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Susanna's eyes widened, her pupils quaking as she stared at Yelena in disbelief. It was as if she was wondering whether Yelena was lying to her.

She had taken a knife for Zachary, and now, she was lying in the hospital, barely clinging to life.

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It was bad enough that Zachary didn't visit her in the hospital, but to think he was still intending to send her abroad shocked her..

Yelena nodded earnestly, affirming that everything she said was true.

Consequently, Susanna lay weakly on the hospital bed.

"What should we do now?" she asked, closing her eyes in exhaustion.

She thought she understood Zachary well enough to seize the opportunity and set up this act, assuming he would feel guilty and make amends just like the last time. However, the way things unfolded was completely beyond her expectations. Yelena let out a sigh. "The doctor said your current condition doesn't allow you to fly. You need to focus on recuperating first. I'll figure out what to do next."

"There's only a few days left!" Susanna couldn't help but express her anxiety.

Once her injuries had slightly improved, Zachary would send her abroad.

Hearing her impatient tone, Yelena felt a little annoyed "What's the use of you rushing me? Besides, if Zachary decides to investigate this matter thoroughly... Halfway through her sentence, Yelena caught sight of Miles returning from a phone call outside. She promptly stopped speaking.

Miles knocked on the door twice. "Is Ms. Carston awake?"

"Mmm-hmm."

"May I come in?"

Yelena cast a glance at Susanna.

Susanna wore an expression of frustration, closing her eyes,

Yelena had no choice but to say, "She's physically weak and mentally drained right now. It's best to let her

"Then I won't go in. Ms. Carston, I'm here on behalf of Mr. Fuller to express his gratitude. You should

get

some rest."

After he finished speaking, Miles left the hospital.

Yelena lingered in the ward for a while longer before she too left.

Upon

reaching the ground floor of the hospital's in-patient department, Yelena caught a glimpse of Miles. He was still there, standing in front of a car as if waiting for someone.

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Yelena and Miles found themselves seated across from each other in a corner of a cafe near the hospital. They each ordered a cup of coffee.

"Mr. Lancaster, feel free to speak your mind."

Miles smiled. "Mr. Fuller wants me to relay a message to you. He said that it's not wrong to have ambition, but one must possess the capability to match it. Otherwise, you're merely courting disaster."

Yelena's face froze. "I don't understand. What does Mr. Fuller mean by that?"

"You were the one who arranged for the paparazzi to take pictures of Mr. Fuller and Ms. Wilkin at the grand theater, weren't you? Don't be so quick to deny it. I dare to speak so confidently because Mr. Fuller already has thoroughly investigated it." Yelena's face was pale.

"Also, have you been in touch with Heston and Benjamin."

Yelena's breath hitched. "I have no idea what you're talking about!"

I can't believe Zachary has already uncovered everything in such a short time!

With a confident smile, Miles added calmly. "Both of them, along with four other shareholders, have already been apprehended by the police."

Yelena was adamant in her denial. "So what?"

"You were indeed discreet, but remember, the truth will come out sooner or later. Did you really think that Mr. Fuller's subordinates are just there for show?" Miles knew that for someone of Zachary's stature, he would not be short of unscrupulous methods.

He was aware of a young man associated with Zachary, who kept in direct contact with the latter. This young man had done some time in the past. Yelena's face was ashen as she slumped in her chair. "It was Susanna who made me do it!"

She wouldn't take the fall for Susanna over something that could land her in jail.

It was at this moment she truly understood. Her past actions never threatened Zachary at all, but rather, the latter just tolerated them.

And now, with Zachary no longer indulging Susanna, they were utterly helpless.

A few days ago, the results of the administrative review were released, upholding the original decision and releasing the surveillance footage. Unlock succeeded

When the incident occurred, Jeremiah's intention was to pay as much compensation as possible to cover

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up the matter.

Heston did not agree, causing the media to blow up the matter.

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At that point, it was impossible for Fuller Group to agree to a private settlement. They stated they would wait for the results of the work injury assessment and responsibility allocation, then pay compensation based on the determined liability. Based on the available evidence, it was highly unlikely that the work-related injury assessment would be successful. The deceased was primarily at fault, therefore, the compensation amount

from Fuller Group would undoubtedly be less than the figure initially proposed by Jeremiah.

As a result, Heston was utterly frustrated and upset.

At that time, Yelena got in touch with Heston and analyzed the situation for him. "The assessment for a work-related injury would take at least a month, and negotiating the compensation would take additional time. Given the trouble you've caused Zachary, it's highly unlikely that he would willingly to pay it. He might intentionally delay the negotiation process, reduce the compensation amount, and even force you to sue. From filing the lawsuit to the court hearing, it could take several more months. The lawyers of Fuller Group are not to be underestimated, they might even manage to delay it further. By the time you receive the compensation, it could already be a year or two later. And considering your father is primarily responsible, you might not get much money. Zachary might even sue your father, using his assets to compensate for the company's losses. That's how capitalists are. Their ruthlessness is beyond your imagination!"

Her words had riled up Heston, causing his resentment toward Zachary to deepen with every time he thought about it. He was subsequently consumed by a desire for revenge.

Right at that moment, the stock price of Fuller Group was continuously declining. By the close of trading on the previous Friday, some stockholders, driven by their emotions, had caused a commotion in the plaza in front of Fuller Tower.

For a long time, Benjamin had dabbled in the stock market, yearning to strike it big. He bet all his assets, only to end up nearly bankrupt. His wife ran away with their child. Then Yelena, with promises of profit, instigated him. Armed with a knife, he set out to attack Zachary "Susanna, Mr. Fuller is sending you abroad, never to return. But my parents are still here, so I can't leave with you. Please take care of yourself over there." In the ward, Yelena sighed as she spoke to Susanna.

Ever since she met Susanna abroad, she was filled with a burning ambition to help the latter become Zachary's wife. She would also be able to return home gloriously and trample over all those who had once belittled her.

But now, she understood that the key to success didn't lie with Zachary's wife but rather with the man himself.

Even if Susanna became his wife, she would still have to struggle from the bottom if Zachary didn't approve of her.

For example, Zachary had stripped Susanna of her leading role in Cloudwater City and retracted all of her endorsement deals. Consequently, all other advertisements featuring Susanna were canceled. Despite Yelena's best efforts to retain them, it was all in vain.

Yelena's words hit Susanna like a truck, leaving her stunned. "Yelena, you're leaving me too? Don't go just

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yet, I won't give up!"

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Susanna spoke with an anxious tone, struggling to sit up. However, she accidentally pulled her wound, the pain forcing her to lie back down.

"Zachary no longer has feelings for you. Anything you do is futile. Actually, it might be good for you to go abroad, as there could be a chance for you to start afresh. However, I can't accompany you anymore, so take good care of yourself." After speaking, Yelena left the ward.

She didn't want to end up in prison, hence she knew she had to tread carefully going forward.

"Yelena! Yelena..." Susanna shouted, overwhelmed with emotion.

As Yelena departed, Susanna stared at her silhouette, eyes wide and tinged with red.

Even Yelena has stopped helping me. Is being sent abroad my only option left?

In the hospital room, Susanna's mother, Helen Scott, placed the chicken broth on the table and filled out a bowl. As she did so, she muttered, "Look at the state you're in, yet Zachary didn't even show his face." Susanna leaned restlessly against the bed, remaining silent.

Helen sat by the sickbed, oblivious to Susanna's expression, and continued to grumble, "How can your insisted on long relationship with Zachary be outshone by a lowly Lenora? I don't understand why you going

abroad in the first place. If not, you would be Mrs. Fuller by now! Listen, don't be too stubborn, just give him whatever he wants-

"Could you please stop talking?" Susanna interrupted her.

She never wanted to go abroad back then, but she was left with no choice.

"I'm your mother. I'm only looking out for you. What's wrong with me lecturing you?"

Helen pursed her lips, clearly displeased.

She fed Susanna a few sips of chicken broth, then added, "To be honest, it's obvious to everyone that you two were together. Look at the mess now. You came back home only to leave the country again in no time. Your father and I don't even know how to face our friends. When they ask about it, I'm so embarrassed I don't even know where to hide."

Susanna closed her eyes for a moment, patiently asking, "Where's Dad? What has he been up to these past few days?"

Her father had clearly promised her that he would help her deal with Lenora. However, there didn't seem to be any results

I knew I can't rely on my parents!

"Your dad? Don't count on him. He's probably off somewhere with another mistress, lost in her tender bosoms!"

Susanna ceased to speak.

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Why am I stuck with such parents?

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Dad likes to show off yet he can barely perform in the company. All he does is indulge himself in food, drink, entertainment, and women. Mom is shallow and narrow-minded. She often quarrels with Dad and all she does is complain. At that moment, Zachary even found herself somewhat envious of Lenora.

The hardships Lenora endured in the past decade or so were indeed tough, but she effortlessly found herself in the position of Mrs. Fuller in the end.

"Your father is simply unreliable. You'd be better off telling me what you need."

Susanna looked at her mother, not uttering a single word.

Helen was annoyed. "Why are you giving me that look?"

Susanna was somewhat frustrated. "It's nothing. Don't overthink it."

After a brief argument with Susanna, Helen returned home with a gloomy face, tossing her bag onto the couch.

Kenneth hadn't returned yet, and she had no idea which woman he was fooling around with this time.

Just then, Kenneth's secretary walked in carrying a document. "Mrs. Carston."

"Kenneth isn't here."

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"Okay," Helen responded casually.

With that, Kenneth's secretary headed toward the second floor.

"What is it?" asked Helen.

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Given Kenneth's character, he is usually of no help at the company. So, what sort of important documents could be needed to be delivered to his home?

Kenneth's secretary paused, subtly hiding the document behind him. "It's nothing. Just an ordinary file."

Helen glanced at the secretary, didn't utter a word, and waved her hand dismissively.

The secretary breathed a sigh of relief, left the documents in the study, and then departed from the Carston residence.

Helen watched the secretary's retreating figure, a nagging suspicion creeping in. He seems to be acting rather evasively, as if he's hiding something from me.

She picked up the watering can, intending to water the potted plants in the study. In passing, she glanced at the desk but didn't see the document the secretary had brought. This only piqued Helen's curiosity even more.

She set the watering can aside, then rummaged through the desk for a while.

Eventually, the file that the secretary had just delivered was found at the very bottom of the third drawer

When she opened it, Helen's eyes widened abruptly, her expression frozen in shock.

Inside the folder was a DNA test report.

The results showed that sample A and sample B shared a biological father-daughter relationship.

It was a private assessment, hence the results did not disclose the identities of sample A and sample B. Even then, the fact the DNA test report was delivered to Kenneth undoubtedly confirmed that sample A was his.

Kenneth has an illegitimate daughter!

Helen was instantly consumed by rage, shaking with anger. She could turn a blind eye to his philandering. but the fact that he had fathered a child who now threatened her and her daughter's inheritance was something she couldn't tolerate. No way I'm going to tolerate this!

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After some thought, she made note of the testing facility's name and the date of commission, returning the documents to their original place. Then, she hurriedly made her way to the hospital ward.

"Kenneth, that heartless good-for-nothing! His own daughter is injured and in the hospital, but he doesn't even bother to visit. All he does is mess around outside. He'll end up dead due to his womanizing ways one day!" Helen ranted as she entered the ward. Susanna was nursing a splitting headache. "Mom, what are you doing here again?"

"Isn't it obvious it's for your sake? I only found out today that your father has an illegitimate daughter out there. I fear it won't be long before we, mother and daughter, are kicked out!" Helen said through gritted teeth.

"What's going on? Tell me clearly!" Susanna demanded, her expression serious.

Even though her father hadn't amounted to much, he still held some shares. As the Carston family business grew, these shares became increasingly valuable. The Carston family's success today was undeniably due to their collaboration with Fuller Group, and this was all because of her. Thus, the shares held by her father should be hers.

Although the amount was insignificant compared to Fuller Group, she would never give anything away for nothing

Helen recounted the situation earlier. "I had a hunch that Mr. Walker was acting suspiciously, and I was right! I just don't know who that little wretch mentioned in the DNA test report is. If I find out, I'll skin her alive!"

"It's better if fewer people know about such matters. I reckon only Mr. Walker is handling it. He should know who the girl is."

After some thought, Susanna reached for her phone and dialed a number.

The call was answered swiftly from the other end. A girl's voice filled with surprise and delight. "Ms. Carston, to what do I owe this honor to? Is there something you need? Has there been an issue with Derek's work?" The girl was Derek's girlfriend. She had tried to curry favor with Susanna before, but Susanna didn't see much value in her.

"It's not about work. How's your relationship with him been recently?"

The girl paused for a moment. "It's great. He said he wants to propose to me!"

"I see..."

"Ms. Carston, is there a problem?"

"I'm not sure if I should tell you this, but on the seventeenth, I saw him with another woman. He seemed to be carrying something and went to the obstetrics and gynecology department of Harmony Hospital.. "What? How dare Derek cheat on me? I'm going to confront him right now!" The girl, unable to fathom why Susanna would lie to her, immediately believed it

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"Hold on, I'm just giving you a heads-up. There might be some misunderstanding! Don't tell him that I was the one who informed you."

The girl hurriedly said, "I understand. Thank you for letting me know, Ms. Carston. I assure you. I would never betray you!"

After ending the call with Susanna, the young woman immediately dialed Derek's number. "Derek, you need to tell me the truth. Are you seeing someone else

"Babe, don't make wild accusations. When have I ever lind someone else on the side?"

"I'm not! My friend told me that they saw you with another woman on the seventeenth, all touchy-feely. Out of fear that you were cheating on me, they followed you, only to find out you went to the obstetrics and gynecology department of a hospital. Now that she's pregnant, you had better explain yourself!"

"What? With a woman? What do you mean she's pregnant? There's no such thing!"

"Are you certain? My friend has no reason to lie to me. I'm heading to Harmony Hospital to check..."

"Wait! Darling, I've remember now!"

Upon hearing the name Harmony Hospital, Derek felt a jolt in his heart. He couldn't let her investigate.

"So, why aren't you explaining yet?"

"On the seventeenth... It's all a misunderstanding! I was passing through Bankers Road intersection, lost in thought, and I forgot to watch the road. I nearly got hit by a car, and while dodging it. I bumped into a woman. But there was no hugging or anything like that Ask your friend if you don't believe me!"

"What's the story behind your visit to the gynecology department at the hospital?"

"I didn't go to the gynecologist! Your friend must have made a mistake! I had fallen and injured myself, and I went to get myself examined."

"Really? You're not fooling me, are you? If I find out you've deceived me..."

"Darling, I would never deceive you!"

Upon recalling that Susanna had taken the time to call her, the young girl felt a wave of joy surge within her. Perhaps there is a chance I can become friends with Ms. Carston.

After the misunderstanding was cleared up, the girl made a call to Susanna. "Ms, Carston, thank you Did you happen to see Derek at the intersection of Bankers Road?" your heads up.

Playing along, Susanna responded, "Yes."

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"Oh, that was a misunderstanding! Derek nearly got hit by a car at that time. While he was dodging, he accidentally knocked over a girl. He helped her up and then went to the hospital to get his injuries checked. He doesn't even know that girl."

"I see. That's a relief. I wish you and Derek a lifetime of happiness together."

What. Susanna ended the call.

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"What's the point of asking all these?" Helen said, her lips curling in disdain.

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"Could it really be such a coincidence? Just before Derek went to the hospital to get the DNA test report, he happened to run into a woman?"

"So, you're saying that the woman is..."

Realizing this, a surge of anger welled up in Helen's heart. "Kenneth has been deceiving me for at least a decade. That heartless man!"

This explains why Kenneth has chosen to go for a DNA test. the b*tch mentioned in the report was born to the mistress he has been supporting recently, there would be no need for the DNA test.

Susanna didn't have time to listen to Helen's cursing. Instead, she pulled some strings to retrieve the surveillance footage from the intersection of Bankers Road on the seventeenth

The video was swiftly sent to Susanna's phone.

She had been watching at double speed for a while, but as soon as she caught a glimpse of Derek in the surveillance footage, she immediately slowed it down to half speed.

Susanna and Helen held their breaths as they watched the scene unfold in the video. It was just as Derek had described.

Helen pointed at the girl who had been knocked over by Derek and shouted loudly, "It's her! It must be her! I saw Derek reach for her head when he bumped into her. He must have used the opportunity to pluck her hair!" When the surveillance camera captured the girl's face. Susanna paused the video. She pressed two fingers onto the screen to zoom in.

The video was far from clear, but one could vaguely make out the woman's facial features and they were incredibly familiar.

Helen squinted her eyes, suddenly shouting out, "Lenora!"