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### Chapter 701 The One Who Loves Me the Most

The Vordan Pavilion was originally a large flower workshop built by the Adams family. Now it became Paula's residence.

After learning about her situation, August found Sophie through his connections and renovated the Vordan Pavilion

following Sophie's advice. He even thoughtfully prepared all the necessary things for Burton.

One day ago, Lucia had checked the place and insistently asked August to have the surveillance system installed. The

monitors were everywhere except for private areas like the bed and the bathroom. No dead spots were left. Lucia wanted

to make sure of Paula's safety and prevent her from doing anything dangerous.

The treatment from the psychiatrist stabilized Paula. Her wounds had also been cleaned. Now she was sitting on the

balcony basking in the sun. At the door to the bedroom, Lucia and Burton exchanged looks.

"According to Dr. Capet, she can't have too many visitors, so you'll go in alone. I'll be here at the door, ready to help if

anything goes wrong."

Burton gave her a grateful look, lightly pushed open the door, and slowly went over. He called out in a low voice,

"Paula."

Paula slowly raised her head and vacantly looked at him. "Burton? What brings you here?"

As if something suddenly occurred to her, she hastily jumped off the windowsill and anxiously grabbed his wrist. "You

should go. My brother will be mad if he sees you here."

like that, Burton took her into his arms, "Don't be afraid. He

The angry expression on her face was something he had never

you do to him?" She grabbed his collar and snarled, "My brother is the

most in this world. If you hurt him, I will never forgive you. Now

pushed him away. Her eyes were crimson. Afraid of stimulating her again, Burton folded her in his

voice, "I didn't hurt your brother. He is fine and on a business trip. I

and visit you.

bellowed again, "No, you're lying. My brother

He doesn't need to go on business

put you into this. Him!"

thoughts.

to the

him. Face

into view, and Paula seemed to lose all her strength. She weakly leaned

trickled down

"My brother is the one

kind to me."

seemed to be speaking to both Burton and herself. She burst

prevent herself from crying. She intended to stop Burton

like that. She didn't dare to go in lest their conflict should be intensified.

should take care of their own problem. As for how Burton was supposed to assist

would be invited over for a detailed discussion. Lucia didn't notice

side.

took her into his arms and gently comforted her, "Dr. Capet will

to

nostrils. She leaned back against his warm, broad chest

collapsed. Unable to contain her emotions anymore,

The One Who Loves Me

important meeting with the partner. The project was crucial and would decide the future development of the branch. His phone vibrated on the table repeatedly and urgently. He rejected the call once again. The impatience got stronger in his eyes. It was Dianna calling

acting up and smashing things

stopped vibrating, but Archie came into the office with a gloomy face. "Sorry for

Chapter 702 Coming to Question Her

"Sir, Ms. Davenport had a walk with Ms. Thomas in the yard this morning. She said it was windy outside and asked me to

prepare a bowl of ginger soup. When I came back to the yard, Ms. Thomas was gone."

"Fool! You're worthless!" Paul bellowed and sullenly asked, "Where is Daryl?"

"Also gone." Dianna's voice trailed off.

He hung up the phone and called Daryl. He waited for a long time, but no one was answering the phone. He tried several

more times, but the result was the same. Archie's message appeared on his phone.

"Sir, I found the footage in the surveillance equipment about to be scrapped."

There was a wasted lawn in the corner of the back wall. No one had attended to it, and the surveillance equipment was

out of repair. It would be scrapped at the end of the year but happened to capture everything. The video was blurry, and

only a corner of the wall was within its range.

Two women appeared on the screen. Although their faces were not captured. He could identify them as Daryl and Paula.

They stopped in their tracks and talked. Two unfamiliar faces then appeared outside. They helped Paula and Daryl to

climb over the wall. He suddenly paused the video, had a screenshot, and zoomed in. Part of a man's face appeared in an

inconspicuous corner.

familiar to the eye. He thought of Daryl's and Paula's friends till a name crossed his mind. Zane! It

always around Lucia. Archie was instructed to check Lucia's recent activities. Then he learned that she had

to his house a couple of

play

the passenger side and clutched the steering wheel, his eyes filled with hatred. The grate of

ear-piercing. The silver car made a sharp turn and sped

and reported, "Madam, Mr. Thomas is waiting for you at

quite happy."

said, the security of the Thomas family was good. Sooner or later, he

a trace and

Let him wait there." Lucia got up, but August suddenly grabbed

with

shook her head. "Just wait here for the sake of Paula's safety. Your presence will only intensify the  
away by

grip, and watch her get out of the living room. He then

was gloomy to no end

He came up, trying to

him. "Mr. Thomas, what brings you here?"

appellation didn't upset Paul. He just showed a wry look. "Do we have

softened. "Paul, I'm already married to August and have

important. After all, Cloud Technology

competitors."

weakly dropped from mid-air. He collected himself and said, "I know that you took Paula away. I'm here  
to

take her home."

Thomas' residence her home or a cage to hold her?"

He couldn't really go hard on Lucia or knew how to respond to

anger was directed at another person. If it were not for Daryl, Lucia wouldn't

here to start a war, bring

made him more depressed. "Why are you so hostile to me? Am

Chapter 703 The Uninvited

"Since Paula is safe now, I'll go home."

Lucia immediately voiced her objection, "You can't. Paul has found out that I took Paula away. He could  
figure out that

you helped. It's too dangerous for you to go home."

Daryl gave a broad smile and gently pushed away Lucia's hand that was gripping her wrist. "What's  
coming will come,

and we'll meet it when it does."

Lucia still tried to advise her, but August shook his head as a hint for her to not interfere in the matter.  
Only then did she

give up.

As soon as Daryl left, she said, "Daryl is in a dangerous situation. Paul has the heart to hurt his sister, not to mention

her."

"I've deployed manpower around the house of the Davenport family. We'll be informed if anything happens," August

said. He had thought about that, and she was less worried.

Paul was sitting in the living room of the Davenport's house. Howe Real Estate was just a small company recently

developing in Austos City. His visit interrupted the pleasant atmosphere in the house. Nervous inside, Dylan didn't show

it on the surface. Facing the young upstart, he did his best to maintain his demeanor.

I can do

restrained his ferocity, showing his gentlemanly manner and his respect for the man. "Mr. Davenport, mentioned me to

vigilant. He had heard

After taking over Cloud Technology, this

gentle and harmless as he looked. No one could survive

his hands dirty.

running a small business. How can

a roundabout way, and Paul was getting

hoodwinked as his daughter. Unwilling to waste his time, Paul got down to business. "I've known your daughter for quite some

hope of getting your

hand stroked the cup as he thought to himself. Up to no good, this man

had no idea why Paul approached his

his face. "Mr. Thomas, this is a joke, right? Nowadays, young people

her

talking, Daryl's voice came from the hallway.

and habitually acted like a spoiled child. She looked up, only

didn't dare to take another step. A flicker of hostility

his back toward Dylan, he said gently, "Daryl, you won't blame me for the sudden visit, right?"  
Unnerved, she didn't dare to

to reassure Dylan. She walked to her father with heavy steps and bit the bullet. "Dad, Mr. Thomas  
him to

laid her eyes on Paul and said in a distant tone, "Mr. Thomas, what brings you  
a tinge of coldness in his voice. "Aren't you

The  
here?"

room fell to the freezing point. Her heart was  
to irritate her father.

said, "We've been together for some time. Aren't you going

Chapter 704 Ethan Escaped

The phone rang harshly in the living room. Lucia handed the washed fruit to Timothy and Janet, dried  
her hands, and

rolled her eyes at August who was reviewing the documents.

"The phone has rung for a long time, and you wouldn't answer it. Is your work so important?" she  
complained and

handed the phone to him.

August glanced at the screen and muttered, "It's about Daryl. Pick it up."

After getting his permission, she slid the screen to answer the phone, turned on the speaker, and held  
the phone between

August and her.

"Sir, Mr. Thomas went to the Davenport's house this morning. Ms. Davenport was taken away as soon  
as she arrived

home. They bought some daily necessities at a local supermarket and went back to the Thomas' house."

Lucia frowned and asked suspiciously, "Why did Paul buy daily necessities?"

"We've checked their shopping records and found that most of the items are prepared for Ms.  
Davenport. There are no

further moves from him yet."

August tapped the keyboard and said, "Keep watching and keep me updated."

The other party agreed and hung up the phone. Then the phone rang again. She pressed the answer button, turned on the

speaker, and grumbled inwardly that the other party didn't finish his words in one go. August saw the caller ID, but it

soon as the line was

escaped. Come over

and thudded on the floor. "Hasn't Ethan been brought to justice? How come he

She felt cold all over. Even her voice

Not until he went out of

opened the car

"Let's go."

is not something

got anxious and

the way."

knew how urgent this was, so he didn't wrestle with her. Instead, he hit the gas and

depressing. They pushed open the door and got in before Joshua's

face was seen. Sophie had been tied up on the

Her eyes flickering with doubt, Lucia rushed over,

woman, but Joshua stopped her. "This is between her and me.

do you think you are? Mrs. Adams can do

him regardless

picked up a handkerchief

me. You wouldn't have seen me again if

exactly happened?" Joshua put away

helped Ethan escape."

a long time ago. How come he wasn't executed?" Lucia asked sullenly. "There is something you

he snubbed out the cigarette without hesitation. His reaction was so natural that he didn't

quickly. However, it allowed the

was hidden. August noticed her doubts and asked in a deep voice, "Who do you think is so powerful to plant a mole in the

station?"

pulled a

you are mortal enemies. Flynt let me deliver a message.

#### Chapter 705 Important Decision

The atmosphere in the Maybach was stifling, and August's face was gloomy. He drove so fast that Lucia was pushed to

the door several times by inertia.

She clutched the seat belt and said, "There is something I want to discuss with you."

"Don't bring it up if it's about Ethan," he responded coldly.

Lucia took a deep breath, made up her mind, and slowly said, "I want to take Timothy and Janet to Griffith."

The car stopped with a screech. August's deep eyes fell on her. It gave her a lot of pressure. She swallowed and lowered

her voice..

"Can you guarantee their safety if we keep them around us?"

"Yes." August stared at her unblinkingly.

"But I can't take the risk." she said firmly. "You know how great the grudge between Ethan and you is. Given the

previous experience, we have to stay alert."

August pinched her jaw and tightened his grip. The pain made her clench her teeth.

"Do you know what this decision means?" he questioned her, stressing his tone.

"You're going back to the organization." She endured the pain and looked into his unfathomable eyes, "It's the only way

rid of him

her tough look. In the end, he slowly loosened his grip. "That's Flynt's mission and not concern."



his mind, she put her hands on the back

off the

slightly narrowed. That was not important. Lucia and the two children were what

Now that she finally came back

couldn't selfishly drag him down. He knew how dangerous the mission was but still followed Flynt to the

by the ties with his family. She had been

path were suffering. The youngest one among them was just

Janet. August would never forgive those evildoers, nor

the children and me. I have to take them there," she whispered

eyes slightly changed.

decide for yourself whether to work

burden. You should trust me

her hair and called Joshua, "Tell Flynt that I

tomorrow."

listlessly sitting in the chair. His men had

left. It couldn't be his accomplice who got him out. For a moment, he had no idea if the other

The door opened with a creak. A man appeared in the dim light. Following the

The conspicuous scar on his forehead looked hideous in such an environment. "How come you're

eyes narrowed and glinted with a dangerous

a chair and slowly lit a cigarette. Amid the

air remains. It shows I didn't find the

that the man was on the same side as him.

Important

you want to make with

gnashed his teeth, his eyes thick with hatred, "I

family to die."

Chapter 706 Target Gone

The usually quiet Griffith Organization was lively today. Except for Joshua who was often fooling around and August who

was always reserved, there were other guests sitting in the hall. Flynt's eyes narrowed and fell on Lucia. He was not

wrong about her. This woman was special. Now he found a new target to train.

"Quit thinking about it. She's not suitable." Joshua read his mind and advised him.

August, who had remained silent, slowly folded his arms on his chest and scoffed, "Why? Your woman can and my

woman can't?"

Joshua's face fell. Before he could retort, Sophie jumped out. "Damn, that's nonsense."

Never would she take such an idiot as her man. Lucia quietly approached August with curiosity written on her face. "Do you think that Dr. Capet and Joshua will be together in the end?"

August helplessly stroked her head. His wife was good in every aspect but relationships. Joshua might look like a jerk. He

was not a real playboy. Sophie had challenged his bottom-line time and time again but was still around him. Joshua even

brought her here, which showed how much he cared about her. Unaware of it, Sophie glared at Joshua and winked at him

as a signal for him to clarify things.

Joshua felt helpless. He had pissed Sophie off again today, and the latter had clamored to smash his clubhouse. He was

really afraid of her bodacious character. To save his business, he had to take her here.

"Come on, stop fanning the flames," he protested with a wry face.

Joshua cried out in pain, which

crowd till they fell on August.

instantly fell into dead silence. August raised his eyebrows, looked at the

here today speaks of

City on the table, and pointed to an inconspicuous spot. "This is the location.

last appeared."

bustling area. Ethan can't be so stupid as to expose himself under our noses. It should

point," Lucia said doubtfully, rubbing

cast her an appreciative glance. "That's right. Our informants

know his hideout. We can only take precautions and wait for him to contact us."

won't work. It's

grabbed her

we'll find a way to lure him out," Flynt said solemnly. "You

go!" Lucia

rejected it at the

August would not agree. For fear of another conflict between August and

opinion.

zero experience. This is no different from sending a hostage to

grudge between Ethan and

eyes and said, "She's not a newbie. I heard that she

is no grudge between them anyway."

a picture down on the table and sneered, "Here is

who helped Ethan."

gasped at the sight of the person

rang out, "He has no reason to help

Lucia's bloodless face, and lowered

station because of heart

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a lot, she had

a way. Joshua made no comments this time, and the hall fell into

Chapter 707 Implementation of the Plan

"As the saying goes, the most dangerous place is the safest place. He's just playing games and still hiding in the Sunrise

District. Sophie heavily tapped the area on the map.

August's brows were unknitted, and he asked, "Dr. Capet, where do you think Ethan is hiding."

"A basement!" she asserted. "Your eyes and ears are everywhere. Any window may give away his location. The more

airtight the place is, the less chance he'll be spotted."

Joshua shook his head and reasoned, "Ethan has always been in clover. I don't think his pride will allow him to hide in a

basement."

Sophie rolled her eyes and scoffed, "He was in a long detainment. His pride has long been forgotten. What he will do is

lick his wound and prepare to fight back rather than seek a comfortable environment."

Lucia kicked him under the table, signaled him to keep quiet, and then said, "It's hard enough to catch Ethan. Now we

have to deal with Mark as well."\*

"They planted a mole in the police station. Why can't we do the same?" Sophie's eyes glinted with slyness, "Mark won't

be so stupid to meet Ethan in person. He'll need a middleman to provide for Ethan and act as the bridge of their

communication. We'll catch that guy."

She flashed Lucia a reassuring smile. "I'll take care of it."

who had been silent for a long time, immediately picked up the

of basements in the Sunrise District. Send our men to keep an

of the basement. Report suspicious activities in time and

said, "I'll stay in Perfect Fortune and

ensure the safety of Lucia and the two

for sure."

this matter was mentioned, Lucia clasped her fingers, thought for a

in? This is the safest place. I hope

Flynt dropped

Fortune. I'll take care of the house,

my responsibility."

could focus on his job. In

handle those

and smiled, "Can I stay in your house?  
a grateful look, stuck out her tongue, and said playfully, "I hope you won't find  
up by her words. Flynt briefly arranged everyone's tasks and led  
man left, Joshua's  
Sophie's arm and growled,  
voice trailed off, and they  
rubbed Lucia's hand and gave something  
looked at the brooch  
was black and looked like a common button. A fixer was attached to the back of it.  
was hard, cold, and made of special  
by Flynt. Through it, you can contact a special team called  
they will guarantee your safety.  
eyes remained gentle. He patiently told her everything about the transceiver. 12 years ago, August  
joined training of Griffith  
of

Flynt who was

received

Chapter 708 Crack the Whip

When Lucia woke up in the guest room, August and Joshua had both left. Even Flynt was nowhere to be found. The

mansion now looked empty. Fortunately, Sophie was there with her and comforted her from time to time. Her

depression was relieved.

After breakfast, they went to the Lion Group and the Adams' residence separately. Paula would have her psychological

counseling, and the routine shareholders' meeting of Lion Group was also held today. Flynt had gotten the clothes ready, providing her with a modified car and the strongest man from Griffith. He would serve as her driver and

bodyguard.

On the other side of the city. August was standing on the rooftop against the cold wind, indifferently overlooking the entire Sunrise District. Flynt's men had been deployed to blend in the crowd. He only needed to wait and act upon

receiving the news about Mark and Ethan. He was ready to finish the task as soon as he could.

He gently rubbed the ring on his ring finger. The coldness grew stronger in his eyes. His phone vibrated in his pocket. He took it out and changed color. He fumbled through his pocket before feeling a small black 'button'.

When Lucia came back to Lion Group again, she had a new identity. The news of her taking August's place as the acting president spread in the office. Except for those pretentious shareholders, everyone nodded respectfully to her. "Ms. Mitchell, about Mr. Adams' whereabouts, you should give us an explanation today."

As soon as the meeting started, a shareholder took the lead to challenge her, and the others echoed. Lucia's nails tightly caught the edge of the table. She forced herself to calm down and play tough with these snobbish people.

"Since when did Mr. Adams have to report his activities to you guys?" She gazed at the speaker and coldly asked, "Are you planning to overstep your authority or take his place?"

she sassed back, the shareholder flew into a rage. "We are the shareholders of Lion Group, and Mr. Adams is the only president we recognize. Not

and enterprising. We respect him for his accomplishment, but now a callow girl is lording it over us. What are we taken

in turmoil, and she is in charge. I'm afraid the company won't get

Mr. Adams being controlled like the

normal."

sweating. The coldness in her eyes grew stronger. After everyone poured out his grievances,

an icy

no respect for Mr. Adams. Except for my identity as Mrs. Adams, I also hold shares in the company. Since you're here,

be so difficult to deal with. He gnashed his teeth and talked more

harshly.

no right to stand in that position or make any decisions on behalf of Mr. Adams."

shareholder and said, "If no one is

anymore?"

we don't

kind of person is the scourge  
is in charge, we won't have  
the room. Following a bang, a vase there shattered on the floor. Everyone quieted down, looked over,  
Crack  
to her.

of money can have your attention." She arched her brow and pointed  
for everyone. The  
raised her hand. Fearing that she would  
smartly took August's seat, and proudly faced  
all know the rule. Now that I'm at the helm of Lion  
Chapter 709 New Cooperation

"Mrs. Adams, a gentleman surnamed Nordhaus is at the front desk downstairs. He wants to see you."  
The secretary

knocked on the door and reported respectfully.

Mr. Nordhaus? Lucia glanced at the newly finalized bidding plan on the desk and helplessly shook her  
head. Who else

could it be?

"Bring him to the President's Office."

Soon, the secretary pushed open the door again before Jamie's smirking face came into view. He turned  
back, his finger

brushing the secretary's chin. His tone was as frivolous as ever.

"Thank you, gorgeous."

The secretary was surprised and then left the office with a flushed face. Lucia couldn't help rolling her  
eyes.

"Mr. Nordhaus, you've taken over Jervas Group, but your character hasn't changed a bit," she quipped.

"Ouch! Don't mention that to me. It gives me a headache." Jamie roughly sat down on the couch and  
habitually put his

foot on the coffee table.

"Put your foot down," Lucia snapped with a frown.

Startled, Jamie looked at her incredulously and then realized that she was just bluffing. Despite his reluctance, he put his

foot back on the floor.

"You're aggressive after you become Mrs. Adams. That really scared me."

August is obsessive about cleanliness. If he learned about

break your leg." She glared

here

not?"

money!" Lucia picked up the finalized contract and threw it to him, "I've been waiting for you to come."

feels like I'm begging you for

knowing look. Jamie's father was invited to their wedding when August and she got

son back on the right track as soon as he returned home. In the

of surprising things such as

to be bound by this kind of marriage, Jamie openly defied his father. By focusing on his career, he could temporarily avoid

the tomb of marriage.

Jackalin is gentle, virtuous, kind-hearted, and elegant? Are you sure you don't want to give it a try?" she asked curiously.

think I like?"

Combined, it's a disaster."

suited Jamie. If he married

sure. What he needed was a tough wife who would make

looked up to the sky, and sighed, "Married women

you."

her, and a smile appeared in her limpid eyes. "I know a lot of tycoons. Do you need me to

them about your

Jamie immediately waved his hand, his pretty face contorting,



horrible."

a long face and pretended to punch him. He

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on

me a drink in return tonight?" He handed the contract to her

expectant

all the documents to the front and pouted. "Do you think I have

in his pant pockets, "this might be the last time we

Chapter 710 Encounter

His interest piqued, Jamie went over and snapped his fingers. "Please give this lady a glass of Kekfrankos." "Sorry, I never drink that kind of low grade stuff." The woman disdainfully curled her flaming lips and suddenly grabbed his tie.

He was drawn closer to her. Her pull abruptly stopped when they felt each other's breaths. Her eyes glittered with ant

appealing light, and she blew on his face. "I'm not a whore. Now get out of my face."

She untangled her finger from his tie and pushed him on the shoulder. Jamie was in a daze the entire time. He was

frustrated, but his annoyance was greater. He had never been rejected by any woman before. She was the first one. "No? Who will be dressed like this and flirt around?" He suddenly grabbed her wrist, yanked her into his arms, and

gritted his teeth, "Don't you want to make money? I am rich."

The woman was stunned before showing a shy and annoyed look. She tried to break free, but her strength was not as

great as his. Just then, the cocktail Jamie ordered for her was mixed and placed on the counter. The liquid in the

sparkling glass was dark pink. Combined, it looked like a budding peony. However, the crimson liquid at the bottom

looked sticky and filthy.

With a smirk on his face, Jamie stared at the cocktail and said in a deep voice, "Doesn't this glass of wine looks like you?"

You're luscious outside and foul inside."

"How dare you!" Her eyes blazing with anger, she grabbed the glass with her free hand and poured the wine into his

face.

Jamie was caught off guard and loosened his grip. Taking her chance, she broke free, backed up, and regained her

look. "The wine is on me."

glared at him and prepared to leave when something occurred to her. She added, "I

be

liquor off

stunned look, she snorted and held her

kind of woman as you think. Both consumers here, we should not interfere with each other." Lucia took pains to push her way through the wiggling crowd. Out of breath, she hurriedly said, "Sorry

a bad mood, he didn't really mean

over, glanced at her,

people were all stunned. Jamie came to his senses first and asked the waiter

at the

She braced

you know me?"

her, the woman restrained her manners and nodded. "Yeah,

Everyone knows you."

wondered if this woman could keep the secret. If August learned that

he would be mad

business. You know, the most dangerous place is the

place," she explained.

at Jamie. "I don't doubt

for business."

when he heard that. "Mind your

No gentleman would randomly molest

couldn't help going over and accosting you. Wear a