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Karen didn't say anything. She closed the study door and returned to her bedroom.

Hope wanted to take Karen to the hospital, but Karen, exhausted, was unwilling.

She simply asked someone to bring the first aid kit and treat the injuries on her face.

Seeing Hope crying, she felt as if she was looking at her past self.

Hope was just like Karen used to be, not knowing what to do when encountering problems, only crying.

Hope was full of despair and asked, "What should we do, Mom? Dad actually hit you."

She didn't know what happened in the study just now, but she knew that the trigger must have been her broken engagement. At that moment, guilt and fear were intertwined in her heart. She didn't know what to do.

Putting the first aid kit aside, Karen looked at Hope with pity. After a long time, she sighed helplessly.

It was all she could do to comfort her. "Don't be afraid, Hope"

At that moment, a decision began to form in her mind. She was hesitant about it.

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She thought, If Carlson couldn't let go of his anger and decided to go against the Holmes family, it would inevitably suffer the consequences.

'My children would be ruined by him. So this time, I couldn't just ignore it as I had done before!

In just a few minutes, the expression on her face changed again and again. Finally, she asked Hope to put the first aid kit back and walked out.

These past few days, Carlson had been acting strangely, as if he were planning something secretive. He often left early and returned late. He immediately went to his room upon arrival.

That morning, as usual, he left with the driver. Once she was sure he was gone, Karen quietly went to Hope's room and closed the door.

you sure we should do this? Dad will be angry if he finds out" Hope said.

"Mom, are you su

She held a delicate box tightly in her hand, her knuckles turning white with the effort. Her face was a picture of struggle and pain

Karen, on the other hand, seemed much calmer. She held out her hand, signaling Hope to give her the box.

It was a tiny listening device inside.

Karen looked calm. Following the instructions, she placed the bugging device under the desk in the study.

Although they were in their own home, they felt like thieves.

As Karen left the study after planting the device, she felt a chill running down her back and forehead. Touching her head. she realized it was covered in cold sweat.

Hope looked even worse. Her face was pale, and she looked extremely strange.

To prevent any mishaps, Karen spent a long time comforting Hope. The two sat together.

Karen said, "It's okay, Hope. Don't be afraid. Don't give yourself away in front of him. If you feel too much pressure, pack

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u can go to your friend's house for a few days. When I call you, you can come back."

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Hope shook her head, clutching Karen's hand, trying to fight back her fear. "I won't leave. What if he hits you again when Im gone?" she asked.

Karen felt warmth in her heart at these words, but in the end, she could only smile bitterly

Once was all it took, there would be countless times. It was just that he hadn't been provoked yet. The next time he was angry, he would lash out at whoever was around.

That evening. Carlson, returning from outside, didn't notice anything amiss. As usual, he went straight to the study. instructing

the housekeeper that no one could disturb him.

After he entered the study, Karen went to Hope's room.

She took the receiver that went with the listening device out of the box and held it in her hand.

After waiting for a while, a voice came from inside.

Carlson was on the phone with someone. Perhaps he didn't expect anyone would dare to install a buzzing device in the study, so he spoke loud

"Have you found the person you mentioned?" she asked.

He paused for about ten seconds, presumably listening to the person on the other end of the line.

Immediately afterward, he said, "He doesn't take on any wicked deeds? Well, you tell him this isn't a wicked deed, just secretly taking a child out. I can add more money. Let him name his price.

Hearing this, Karen's heart skipped a beat. She covered her mouth in shock.

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her mind. Her hand trembled even more violently,

The phone call continued. Karen was increasingly frightened by what she heard.

Carlson said, "Ill send

d him the address when the time comes. It's a child's birthday party, and I'll find a way to get him in

"There's no risk. I won't do anything bad for the child. You come up with a reason to make him believe us

"Remember, we must succeed, so we must find this person. Once we fail, the only thing that awaits us is death"

Carlson hung up the phone.

Hearing this, Karen broke out in a cold sweat

She needed time to think about what she had just heard. It was terrifying.

Looking around the room, Karen felt a sense of relief. Fortunately. Hope wasn't there. Otherwise, with her personality, she definitely wouldn't be able to keep a secret and would be easily found out by Carlson.

She dared not go out to face Carlson, let alone Hope.

After thinking about it, she decided to play it safe and use the excuse of not feeling well to avoid going out for dinner tonight.

At the dinner table, when the housekeeper whispered about this to Carlson, Carlson waved his hand impatiently with an indifferent expression.

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