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Chapter 511 The Last Recording

When Mo Rao saw the caller ID, she smiled before answering the call.

“Mr. Zhao, what are your thoughts now?” Her tone was carefree, as if she was very confident in obtaining this cooperation.

Boss Zhao chuckled heartily, as if he didn’t know about the conflict between Mo Rao and Xu Ke.

“Miss Mo, what are you talking about? Our company has always thought highly of your company. How can we change partners so easily? Not to mention, the other party plagiarized.”

Mirth flashed across Mo Rao’s eyes. “Then, what do you plan to do, Mr. Zhao?”

“Miss Mo, we naturally hope to cooperate with you. I wonder if you...”

Mo Rao smiled as she said, “As long as you’re willing, Jiayi’s partner will naturally be you. It won’t change.”

“Hahahaha! You’re impressive!” Mr. Zhao praised. “It’s good that you think so.”

Mr. Zhao paused and lowered his voice.

“As for Xu Ke’s previous matter, our company didn’t supervise him well enough and caused you to be hurt. I want to apologize to you. I hope Xu Ke’s matter won’t affect our future cooperation.”

Mo Rao’s eyes flashed. She naturally understood that the other party didn’t want to lose her as a partner.

“Mr. Zhao, you must be joking. You’ve already given the public the best response to this matter.”

In the business world, there were not so many true enemies. Cooperation and benefits were the most important.

Mr. Zhao exchanged a few more pleasantries with Mo Rao. After confirming the cooperation, he hung up.

As Mo Rao looked at the phone screen that had automatically turned off, she finally heaved a sigh of relief.

With this collaboration, she believed that Jiayi could reach a higher level.

Thinking of this, Mo Rao couldn’t help but smile happily.

Suddenly, there was a knock on the door. Mo Rao responded and opened the door.

Mo Yuan, who had already finished his steak, stood at the door and looked at the smiling Mo Rao. He raised his eyebrows slightly and asked, “Have you negotiated the cooperation?”

Mo Rao nodded vigorously. “Yes! Mr. Zhao has already said that he wants to work with us again. He asked me to bring people to sign the contract when I’m free!”

Hearing this, Mo Yuan smiled and gave Mo Rao a thumbs up. "I knew you could do it! You're awesome!"

"Brother, you sound like you're praising a child," Mo Rao said helplessly.

Mo Yuan patted Mo Rao's head as he said, "Aren't you just a child?"

With that, he even laughed in front of Mo Rao.

Mo Rao raised her hand and gave Mo Yuan a soft punch before closing the door.

Outside the door, Mo Yuan said with a smile, "By the way, remember to record the last scene of 'Celebrity Gourmet' tomorrow!"

"Alright! I understand, Brother!" Mo Rao replied.

The next morning, after Mo Rao put on her makeup, she went to the recording location of the show.

When everyone arrived at the recording location, the director reiterated the recording rules for the last scene.

After hearing the director's words, before the others could react, Qu Rou objected sternly.

"Director, I don't think this will do! If it's based on the final sales, since the fans will buy the food no matter if it's delicious or not, wouldn't that mean that the one with more fans will win? Wouldn't that just be a competition of fans?!"

Qu Rou objected without any hesitation. When she said the last sentence, she looked straight at Mo Rao.

After all, she also knew that her number of fans in the country couldn't compare to Mo Rao's.

It was fine if she lost to others, but she definitely didn't want to lose to Mo Rao!

After some thought, Qu Rou continued, "Besides, we don't know how to cook. If we set up a stall on the street, wouldn't that expose our lack of cooking skills? Then how are we going to explain this to our fans?!"

As soon as these words were spoken, Liu Xin's expression instantly turned ugly, because she had chosen Buddha's Temptation.

After all, even until now, she had yet to master how to cook it.

Chapter 512 Setting up a Stall

The director looked at Qu Rou, who had an unyielding attitude, and then at Liu Xin and Chen Nan, who had ugly expressions. His expression darkened.

"Then what do you want to do?"

Their show had been like this last season. It was impossible for them to change the rules because of Qu Rou alone.

However, their production team also needed to consider Liu Xin and Chen Nan. The guests from the previous season had mastered it a little, but for this season... the footage really couldn't be released just like that.

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Seeing that the director had compromised, Qu Rou became smug. She raised her chin slightly and said, "I request to prepare the things before going out to set up the stall. Of course, we will cook it on the spot. However, I request the chef to come with us!"

After Qu Rou finished speaking, Liu Xin and Chen Nan's eyes lit up and they couldn't help but look at the director.

When Qu Rou saw this, she couldn't help but feel proud and she kept giving Mo Rao arrogant looks.

So what if Mo Rao knew how to cook? She was definitely not as good as a proper chef. When the time came... Mo Rao's sales would be at the bottom!

The director thought about it and his gaze lingered on Qu Rou, Liu Xin, and Chen Nan for a while. Then, he nodded under everyone's gaze.

"However, you guys can't cook it before we set off. After we reach the filming market, you guys can get the chef to help."

When Qu Rou heard this, she wanted to say something, but when she saw the director's firm expression, she couldn't say anything.

However, she was still a little proud to be able to earn this compromise.

Mo Rao naturally sensed Qu Rou's gaze and understood what she meant.

However... she really didn't take Qu Rou seriously now.

"Is this acceptable?" the director asked the others.

Liu Xin and Chen Nan naturally had no problem and they nodded at the director. Mo Rao didn't object either. "I can accept it, Director."

Just like that, the group finally set off and prepared to set up a stall at the market that they had already booked.

The ingredients that everyone needed had been prepared by the production team long ago, so they didn't have to worry about this.

However, when they arrived at the market, the originally quiet market immediately became lively.

"Is that Liu Xin? I think I saw Mo Rao too! Are they recording a show?!"

"I think so? Didn't we hear that Mo Rao is going to star 'Celebrity Gourmet'? I remember that this was how 'Celebrity Gourmet' was recorded last season, right?"

"Ah! Mo Rao is really beautiful! She looks even more beautiful up close!"

“Chen Nan! Look over! Look over! Ahhh!”

“Liu Xin! Look at me!”

“Xiao Yan is so handsome! Ahhh! Xiao Yan, I love you!”

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When the passing fans saw their idols, they expressed their support.

There were very few who supported Qu Rou.

Qu Rou listened to the people shouting for Mo Rao in the crowd, but she didn't hear anyone calling her. The hatred in her heart intensified.

When Mo Rao heard her name, she waved at the people before lowering her head to prepare.

After all, she hadn't forgotten the purpose of their recording.

Liu Xin and Chen Nan, who were still greeting the fans, saw Mo Rao's actions, so they stopped greeting the fans and started to prepare as well.

Although they hadn't mastered how to cook their dishes, they knew the rough process.

Mo Rao was more experienced. She had just started when she attracted praise from the surrounding people.

“Mo Rao looks so skilled! It seems like she really knows how to cook.”

“That's right! Her actions seem very skilled. She doesn't look like she's pretending.”

“Xiao Yan isn't bad either! Although Xiao Yan seems a little stiff, his sequence of movements isn't wrong.”

“But... the girl at the end seems clumsy. She even needs the chef's help.”

“That's right. Although Liu Xin and Chen Nan don't seem to know much, they shouldn't keep asking the chef for help! Isn't this show about celebrities making the food themselves?”

The surrounding people discussed animatedly. When Mo Rao heard the praise, the corners of her mouth curled up slightly, but she quickly calmed down and focused all her attention on the Wellington steak.

After a while, Mo Rao finished making a Wellington steak. The aroma of the Wellington steak instantly filled the surroundings.

Chapter 513 Drama

Everyone knew that Mo Rao was setting up a stall, so after smelling the aroma, they simply surrounded Mo Rao's stall and waited for the steak to be cooked.

After the first steak was cooked, Mo Rao didn't stop and continued to make the next steak.

Now, Mo Rao was already very familiar with the steps for making the Wellington steak, so when every customer came to buy steak, she said, “Welcome.”

When the people who came to buy steak saw that Mo Rao was patient and down-to-earth, without any snobbiness, their impression of her improved.

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“Rao Rao, you can do it. I will definitely support you!”

Faced with the fans’ straightforward confession, Mo Rao stopped frying her steak and looked up to smile at the little girl. “Thank you for your support!”

“Ah!” She cried out excitedly. Recalling that this was a public place and not wanting to leave a bad impression on Mo Rao, she quickly covered her mouth.

When this fan finally received the steak, she thanked Mo Rao again and left quietly.

As she looked at the Wellington steak that her idol had personally fried, she couldn’t bear to eat it, so she took out her phone and took photos from various angles before taking a bite of the Wellington steak.

The moment the steak entered her mouth, her eyes lit up.

It was simply too delicious!

She swallowed the steak in her mouth with relish, then she took out her phone and took a few photos of the steak that she had taken a big bite of. Then, she opened Weibo and posted her praise. She also posted the photos she had taken just now.

“Ahhh! I want to praise this steak! It’s too delicious! My idol is such an amazing cook!”

When Mo Rao’s fans saw this, they commented under this Weibo post to express their envy.

“Ah ah ah! I’m so envious of you. You actually met Mo Rao! You’re too lucky!”

“I even ate the food that Mo Rao made herself. I’m even more envious!”

Originally, it was only the cheers of Mo Rao’s fans, but as the topic gradually started trending, some people who had eaten Mo Rao’s steak posted their reviews.

“I have to say, Mo Rao’s culinary skills are really impressive! It’s too delicious! Even though I’m not Mo Rao’s fan, I think it’s delicious!”

“I think it’s as delicious as the food in restaurants. If I hadn’t seen Mo Rao make it with my own eyes, I would have thought that the chef asked Mo Rao to sell it after he was done.”

Just as more and more people saw the news online and planned to rush to the recording location of “Celebrity Gourmet”, a certain someone had already found the address and rushed over.

“Wow! Is that Fu Ying? Is he here to look for Mo Rao?”

“Hey! Hey! Look, the person walking over is Gu Ci, right? I heard that Gu Ci likes Mo Rao too. Could he be here for Mo Rao too?”

“Heavens, then won’t there be drama?!”

“I’m so excited!”

Not far away, Fu Ying and Gu Ci, who came from different directions, bumped into each other halfway.

The moment they saw each other, their gazes darkened.

Fu Ying looked at Gu Ci arrogantly. “What are you doing here?”

Gu Ci said with an unpleasant expression on his face, “Why am I here? Do I have to report to you?”

With that, Gu Ci chuckled. “President Fu, you’re a busy person, but you actually came to such a place at this hour?”

Fu Ying’s expression darkened. He and Gu Ci were filled with hostility towards each other. “Heh, President Gu, it’s better if you just mind your own business!”

The two of them looked at each other, then looked away in disgust, as if their eyes would be polluted if they looked at each other again.

The two of them didn’t get along, but they had the same destination, so they could only suppress their anger and travel with each other.

Mo Rao, who was busy cooking, suddenly felt her eyelids twitch. She felt that something bad was about to happen.

When she looked up, she saw Fu Ying and Gu Ci standing in the crowd. Even the vibe seemed tense.

Chapter 514 Confrontation

Fu Ying and Gu Ci, who were still filled with disdain and resentment for each other, couldn’t help but smile the moment they saw Mo Rao.

Fu Ying and Gu Ci were as handsome as male celebrities, and they looked even more handsome when they smiled.

However, when Mo Rao faced these two handsome faces, she wasn’t happy at all. She only felt her scalp tingle.

The others who were at Mo Rao’s stall moved away tacitly when they saw Fu Ying and Gu Ci, allowing the two of them to approach Mo Rao’s stall.

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Fu Ying was the first to walk in front of Mo Rao. “Rao Rao, you’re so busy, so you definitely won’t be able to handle it alone. Let me help you!”

With that, he was about to go in and help Mo Rao.

When the surrounding people heard Fu Ying’s words, they were stunned at first, then they let out gasps.

Before Mo Rao could speak, Gu Ci said, “Heh, I think President Fu should just stay here obediently. You helping Mo Rao? Don’t make things difficult for Rao Rao.”

He was just short of saying that Fu Ying would be a hindrance.

On the other hand, when Mo Rao heard this, she immediately recalled the meal Fu Ying cooked at the Fu family's home.

To be honest, Fu Ying was really good at cooking.

"Heh, just because you don't know how to cook doesn't mean that others don't know how to cook." Fu Ying retorted. "What's the use of a man who doesn't even know how to cook?!"

After he mocked Gu Ci, he turned to look at Mo Rao and said, "Rao Rao, let me help you! You know, my culinary skills aren't bad."

After Mo Rao came back to her senses, she lowered her eyes to continue what she was doing.

"There's no need to trouble you, President Fu. I'll do it myself," she rejected without hesitation.

When Fu Ying heard the coldness in Mo Rao's words, he stopped in his tracks and looked at Mo Rao with disappointment.

"Rao Rao, I just want..."

"President Fu, Rao Rao has already rejected you very clearly. Are you still going to pester her?"

Before Fu Ying could finish, Gu Ci interrupted him.

Fu Ying retracted the disappointment in his eyes. He looked at Gu Ci impatiently and said with a frown, "Gu Ci, I'm talking to Rao Rao. Why are you interrupting?!"

"I just don't want to see you disturb Rao Rao. Haven't you noticed that you've already caused trouble for Rao Rao?!" Gu Ci said bluntly.

The two of them bickered with each other. Just as the atmosphere became tenser and tenser, Mo Rao interrupted them. "If there's nothing else, can you two please move aside? I'm still doing an assignment. I hope the two of you won't quarrel here!"

Mo Rao knew that such a thing would happen when the two of them appeared at the same time. She, who was already busy, was a little impatient.

Sensing that Mo Rao seemed to be angry, although the two of them still couldn't stand each other, they didn't dare to argue in front of Mo Rao and could only shut up.

"Rao Rao, I'm sorry. I didn't want to cause you trouble." Fu Ying apologized to Mo Rao like a child who had done something wrong.

Gu Ci also put away his hostile look and smiled at Mo Rao. "Rao Rao, I want a steak."

"I want it too!" Fu Ying echoed.

Gu Ci rolled his eyes at Fu Ying, but he didn't argue with him.

Seeing that the two of them had finally stopped arguing, Mo Rao heaved a sigh of relief and agreed. "Alright, wait a moment."

When the surrounding people saw this, they heaved a sigh of relief.

When Gu Ci and Fu Ying were arguing just now, everyone was on tenterhooks. After all, the two men were too intimidating.

However, to everyone's surprise, Fu Ying, who was usually aloof, was actually so gentle in front of Mo Rao. He didn't look domineering at all.

In the corner, Qu Rou looked at the long line in front of Mo Rao's stall and then at her delicacies that no one cared about. She immediately felt indignant.

In addition, Fu Ying and Gu Ci fought over Mo Rao just now, making Qu Rou even more envious.

She stared at Mo Rao maliciously and turned to look at the place where Mo Rao had stored the ingredients. A vicious look flashed across her eyes.

Chapter 515 Something Happened

After Fu Ying and Gu Ci calmed down, Mo Rao continued to busy herself. When some passersby saw the long queue in front of Mo Rao, they subconsciously followed suit.

Among the five guests present, only Mo Rao's stall had the most people.

However, at some point, negative comments about Mo Rao began to appear on the Internet.

"I don't think Mo Rao's Wellington steak is that good! Ten minutes after I ate, I started to have diarrhea! I've been in the bathroom for more than ten minutes!"

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"Could it be that those who said that Mo Rao's steak is good are paid commentators? I had diarrhea after eating the steak."

"I knew it. The Wellington steak in the hotel restaurant is not at this price. Turns out it's so cheap because eating it can cause diarrhea! Then I might as well go to the restaurant to eat it! At least it's sanitary and safe!"

For a moment, the comments about Mo Rao's Wellington steak on the Internet plummeted. More and more people began to say that they had diarrhea after eating Mo Rao's steak.

After seeing the news online, Mo Yuan immediately called the production team.

When the director heard about this, he quickly got someone to open Weibo to see what had happened.

Mo Yuan called Mo Rao.

"Brother? Why are you looking for me now? Is there something urgent?" Mo Rao still didn't know what had happened and looked puzzled.

"You still don't know?!" Mo Yuan sounded a little surprised. Then, he said to himself, "Yes, you're recording a show, so it's normal for you not to know."

Then, Mo Yuan roughly explained what had happened on Weibo to Mo Rao.

"Rao Rao, do you know what's going on?"

Mo Rao frowned and subconsciously shook her head. "I don't know."

"These ingredients were provided by the production team. It's impossible for them to prepare bad ingredients."

Mo Yuan pondered for a few seconds. "Alright, pay more attention to your side and see what's going on. I'll control the comments online first."

"Alright, I'll leave it to you."

"Why are you still being so polite to me?" Mo Yuan scolded with a smile. After asking Mo Rao to pay more attention, he hung up.

Fu Ying and Gu Ci were in the crowd. They had already understood what had happened from the conversation of the people around them.

Many people saw the comments on Weibo and turned around to leave. Some even started to criticize Mo Rao.

"Mo Rao, don't do business if you don't know how to do it!"

"That's right! Who will pay for the medical fees of these people who have diarrhea?!"

However, just as they finished speaking, they received cold looks from Fu Ying and Gu Ci. Everyone else who wanted to criticize Mo Rao fell silent in fear.

"Everyone, I'm sorry. There seems to be a problem with the ingredients here, so we'll stop selling steaks for the time being. I'll return everyone's money. I'll tell everyone the truth as soon as possible," Mo Rao said loudly to everyone.

Seeing this, they couldn't say anything else and could only leave.

Seeing this, Fu Ying and Gu Ci walked towards Mo Rao. Fu Ying asked with a frown, "Rao Rao, there must be something fishy about this matter. The first batch of people who came to buy steak seemed to be fine, which means that things changed midway."

"Yes." Mo Rao also realized this problem. "I'll get the director to stop recording and take the remaining ingredients for testing."

Gu Ci immediately volunteered. "I'll help you test the ingredients."

Mo Rao was stunned. She wanted to refuse, but she really couldn't leave, so she could only agree. "Alright, thank you."

Fu Ying's expression darkened when he saw that Gu Ci had snatched the opportunity.

He also wanted to do something for Mo Rao and said, "Then I'll accompany you here and check if there are any surveillance cameras nearby."

Seeing that the two of them wanted to help her, Mo Rao suddenly felt that it wasn't a bad thing that the two of them were here.

"Okay." Mo Rao nodded and turned to find the director to tell him her thoughts.

For the sake of the show's reputation, the director agreed to Mo Rao's suggestion. Gu Ci immediately brought the remaining ingredients to be tested, while Fu Ying sent someone to find a store near the square, planning to find something from the surveillance footage.

Chapter 516 Investigation

About half an hour later, Fu Ying returned to the filming location with a USB flash drive.

When Mo Rao saw Fu Ying, she immediately went forward.

"How is it? Did you find any clues?"

Fu Ying nodded. "The surveillance camera at the entrance of the nearest shop filmed the location you placed the ingredients. It recorded something."

With that, Fu Ying brought Mo Rao to the director and played the video from the USB flash drive.

"Look, it was at this time." Fu Ying forwarded the video to a certain time frame. Then, he raised his hand and pointed at a corner of the surveillance video. "A person came out from here and approached your ingredients, then stayed there for a long time."

Mo Rao leaned forward slightly and stared intently at the surveillance footage.

As expected, a person wrapped tightly in a mask walked out from the corner. The person was a little tall and wore a mask, revealing only the eyes.

The person walked to Mo Rao's materials sneakily and looked around. Seeing that there was no one around, the person took out something from her pocket and poured it on Mo Rao's materials.

After doing all this, the person looked around and left.

As Mo Rao watched this scene on the screen, her expression instantly darkened.

"This person is quite cautious."

Knowing that he had done something bad, the person wrapped himself up first so that no one could recognize him.

"Only the surveillance cameras of this shop in the surroundings captured his figure. The surveillance cameras of the other shops either only captured a figure rushing past or didn't capture him at all."

This person seemed to have deliberately avoided the surveillance cameras. If not for the fact that the cameras in the shop were relatively hidden, it probably wouldn't have been able to capture the complete process.

Unfortunately, the surveillance camera didn't capture that person taking off his mask.

Unwilling to give up, she pulled the video forward and watched it again.

When Fu Ying saw this, he watched with her.

As the director watched the two of them lean against each other intimately, he felt like a third wheel.

He couldn't interrupt at all.

Mo Rao was focused on the video, but Fu Ying's gaze landed on her from time to time.

His expression was so gentle that it was completely different from the rumored cold CEO he was.

In front of one's beloved, everyone had a completely different side.

After Mo Rao watched the surveillance footage twice, she realized that she really couldn't identify the person in the video. She could only stop watching the video.

"It seems like we can't find out the person's identity from this video," Mo Rao said with a sigh.

She looked up and sat up straight. From the corner of her eye, she saw the director who was squeezed to the side and quickly said, "Director, come and see if you have any impression of this person?"

When the director saw that they finally remembered he was also here, he was touched.

"Alright, let me take a look," he said. After taking a closer look at the surveillance camera, he said, "From this person's behavior... he's probably very familiar with our production team's situation. He's obviously targeting you."

"There are more than ten people of this height in our production team, but I can't recognize the person at all since he disguised himself so well. Why don't we call those ten people over here directly?" the director suggested.

Mo Rao shook her head. "No, this might alert the culprit."

Seeing that Mo Rao was in deep thought again, Fu Ying quickly said, "I've already sent someone to investigate the surveillance footage. The footage we saw just now was all from relatively close areas. In other places, there might be surveillance cameras that captured this person's figure."

Hearing Fu Ying's words, Mo Rao looked up and glanced at Fu Ying with a mixed expression. However, she quickly retracted her gaze and calmed down.

"Thank you," Mo Rao said politely.

Faced with Mo Rao's gratitude, Fu Ying frowned and rebuked, "Didn't I tell you not to be so polite to me?"

When the director saw the interaction between Mo Rao and Fu Ying, his eyes flashed.

It was rumored that the two of them were going to reconcile. Now, it seemed like they were really going to get back together.

However, the director didn't dare to say anything, since he was afraid that he would make a faux pas.

Chapter 517 Clarification

Not long after, Gu Ci also sent a message.

Among the materials they took to test, many of them contained the ingredients of strong laxatives. No wonder customers started to have diarrhea not long after they bought the steak.

Mo Rao, who had received the news, immediately told the director about this. "Director, can we publicize this examination report and this surveillance video to clarify things first?"

When the director heard Mo Rao's words, he pondered for a second before opening Weibo.

However, in this short period of time, negative news about the program was trending even more.

If this continued, the reputation of their "Celebrity Gourmet" would probably be ruined by him!

"Yes! Send a clarification on Weibo first. I'll immediately inform the official account to repost it." The director couldn't sit still and hurriedly said.

"Alright, I understand, Director." With that, Mo Rao immediately took action.

She logged onto Weibo and posted a clarification.

"Regarding the fact that the Wellington steak I sold in 'Celebrity Gourmet' caused customers to have diarrhea, I will clarify things. We have already found some evidence to prove that someone spiked the food, causing the customers to have gastrointestinal discomfort. I want to sincerely apologize to the customers. It's my negligence that caused someone to have a chance to commit the crime. Regarding this, the production team of 'Celebrity Gourmet' and I will definitely pursue it to the end!"

In the end, Mo Rao even posted the surveillance video and examination report.

The next second after she posted it, the official Weibo account of "Celebrity Gourmet" also reposted her Weibo post, expressing "Celebrity Gourmet"'s stance.

"Ahhh! I knew she wouldn't do such a thing! She was indeed framed!"

"Wow! Mo Rao is so pitiful. She was actually framed. Tsk, tsk, tsk."

"This evidence is quite solid. I'll wait for the truth to come out."

On Weibo, the comments about "Celebrity Gourmet" and Mo Rao had also undergone a 180-degree change.

Although many people were still criticizing "Celebrity Gourmet" and Mo Rao, most people still had reservations and would wait for the evidence to come out.

After clarifying the matter, the director looked at Mo Rao and asked, "After such a thing happened, do you plan to continue or give up?"

Mo Rao clenched her fists firmly. "Of course I plan to continue! If I give up just like that, wouldn't that fulfill the wishes of the person who framed me?!"

Then, she looked at the director respectfully. "I'll have to trouble you to prepare new ingredients."

The director waved at Mo Rao quickly and said, "It's no trouble at all! This is what we should do! This time, we didn't supervise things properly. We will definitely give you justice! Moreover, President Fu helped us clarify for your sake. Otherwise, if things escalate, the consequences will be unimaginable!"

After that, Mo Rao returned to the stall and continued to make Wellington steaks.

The customers present naturally saw the clarification on Weibo. In addition, they had seen the ingredients sent over with their own eyes, so after a while, there was a long line in front of Mo Rao once again.

In the dark, Qu Rou looked at Mo Rao, whose business was getting better, and the empty stall in front of her. The envy in her eyes deepened.

In addition, when Mo Rao's incident happened just now, the others had increased their sales. Only she couldn't increase the sales by a fraction of the others.

Qu Rou didn't understand what went wrong. Moreover, she didn't understand why Fu Ying and Gu Ci came to help Mo Rao in such a timely manner and found out the truth so quickly!

She hated Mo Rao to the core. Mo Rao had caused her to lose the Qu family as her backer, and Mo Rao had always been able to turn things around despite Qu Rou's schemes. This incident had even raised Mo Rao's popularity.

However, no matter how angry and jealous Qu Rou was, in the end, Mo Rao still won first place in "Celebrity Gourmet" because her sales performance was the best.

Chapter 518 Doubt

After returning home, Mo Rao collapsed on the sofa tiredly. Mo Yuan hurriedly brought a cup of hot water to her.

"What happened today can really be considered an unforeseen crisis. I wonder who was so bold as to lace the food in public."

Mo Rao sat up and took the hot water from Mo Yuan's hand. Then, she took a small sip.

"Actually, I have a suspect in mind."

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When Mo Yuan heard this, he stopped in his tracks and asked tentatively, "You suspect... Qu Rou?"

Actually, his suspect was Qu Rou as well.

There was no other reason. Among the people present, only Qu Rou had the greatest malice towards Mo Rao.

Moreover, Qu Rou was capable of doing such a thing in broad daylight.

Mo Rao nodded. "I suspect it's her, but we don't have any evidence."

With that, she sighed softly.

After the lacing incident, she had also observed the staff who followed Qu Rou. However, after looking around, there were not many who matched the person in the surveillance footage.

After Mo Yuan heard Mo Rao's words, he sighed and his expression darkened.

After a while, Mo Yuan raised his hand and rubbed Mo Rao's hair.

“Stop thinking about these people and things for the time being.” He comforted her. “Although I know you’re very tired, you still have to go to Jiayi tomorrow. You have to rest well.”

After all, when she went to Jiayi tomorrow, it wouldn’t just be a simple inspection.

More importantly, she had to give Wang Xiao a heavy warning.

It was impossible to make Wang Xiao give up his shares yet, but it was still possible to make Wang Xiao behave.

Mo Rao naturally understood Mo Yuan’s words. She held the cup and sat up straight, her eyes filled with confidence. “Brother! Don’t worry! I know what to do!”

For a moment, Mo Rao’s previously tired expression instantly became lively.

Mo Yuan reached out and patted Mo Rao’s shoulder solemnly. Then, he winked at her as he said, “Then I’ll wait for your good news tomorrow.”

The next morning, Mo Rao put on her suit and washed her face in the mirror.

Mo Rao usually had a gentle and vivacious aura, but the current Mo Rao had a heroic and dignified aura.

When Mo Rao walked out of the room and Mo Yuan saw Mo Rao’s outfit, he immediately gave her a thumbs up.

“My sister is so beautiful! No matter what you wear, you look gorgeous!” He said sincerely.

“Of course. Otherwise, how can I be a big star?” At this moment, Mo Rao wasn’t humble at all.

After breakfast, Mo Rao rushed to Jiayi with the evidence.

Zhao Ying, who had been waiting in Jiayi, welcomed Mo Rao when she saw her.

“President Mo, you’re here!” Zhao Ying’s face was filled with joy.

At the thought that President Mo actually snatched back the collaboration for Fashion Week, her impression of President Mo improved!

In Zhao Ying’s eyes, the current Mo Rao was simply a goddess.

After all, who wouldn’t admire a beautiful woman who was good at acting and had business acumen?

Mo Rao nodded at Zhao Ying with a smile. “Good morning. Are those directors already in the meeting room?”

Zhao Ying revealed a troubled expression. “Other than President Wang, the other directors are all here.”

Mo Rao’s expression instantly turned cold.

Every time there was a board meeting, Wang Xiao would deliberately come late to give Mo Rao a hard time.

However, he wouldn’t be smug for long.

He probably never expected that Mo Rao had held this board meeting to let everyone see his true colors and reveal how he betrayed the company.

"It's okay, let's wait for him. Without him today, the meeting will be meaningless," Mo Rao said with a smile.

Zhao Ying knew Mo Rao's plan today and was just waiting to watch for the drama, so she followed Mo Rao to the meeting room.

When the directors in the meeting room saw Mo Rao come, they smiled and greeted her.

It had been some time since Mo Rao entered Jiayi. She had increased the sales of the magazine and won the collaboration for Fashion Week, so those directors who didn't think highly of her in the past trusted her more after seeing her true abilities.

"President Mo, did something big happen?" a director asked.

After Mo Rao asked Zhao Ying to send the documents she had brought to the directors one by one, she said with a smile, "I want to talk about the fashion week and our company's mole."

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The board of directors seemed to be frightened by Mo Rao's words. For a moment, no one dared to speak. There was only the sound of documents being distributed in the entire meeting room.

After a while, a director said, "President Mo, the matter of there being a mole... can't be said without evidence."

Mo Rao looked up and smiled at the director who spoke. "Don't worry, everyone. If there was no evidence, I wouldn't spout nonsense."

Seeing how confident Mo Rao was, all the directors present exchanged dismayed looks and fell silent.

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"You guys can take a look at the document in your hands first." Mo Rao reminded calmly, "There's something you guys want to know about on it."

The directors looked at Mo Rao, then opened the document quietly.

The more they read, the more shocked they became.

In the document, there was all the evidence she and Mo Yuan had gathered about Wang Xiao's secret contact with the Shen Corporation.

"How could Wang Xiao do such a thing?!" A director said angrily.

"Wang Xiao has jeopardized the company's interests and profits. We can't let him off so easily!"

There was competition between the directors, so naturally, there were also people who formed alliances with Wang Xiao. However, everyone's ultimate goal was still for the company's benefit. Everyone understood that there was definitely no benefit in standing on the same side as Wang Xiao at this time.

When Mo Rao saw the director's reaction, she smiled.

Just as she was about to say something, the door of the meeting room suddenly opened and Wang Xiao walked in with a smile.

His gaze swept across everyone in the meeting room. In the end, when he saw Mo Rao, his expression darkened. He had no intention of hiding his disdain.

When she saw Wang Xiao arrive at this moment, the mirth in Mo Rao's eyes deepened.

"I'm really sorry. I was delayed by something, so I came late. Please don't mind me." He apologized, but there was no guilt in his tone.

Every time Mo Rao had a meeting, he would deliberately be late to protest Mo Rao. These directors were already used to it.

Previously, directors who were on good terms with him would talk to him, but today, all the directors present looked at Wang Xiao with sulky gazes. No one responded to his words.

Wang Xiao didn't care at all, since he didn't take Mo Rao and these directors seriously at all. He sat down in his seat.

After a while, when Wang Xiao saw that no one spoke, he finally sensed that something was wrong.

His body, which had been leaning against the backrest, straightened, and there was a hint of confusion in his eyes.

"What's wrong with you guys? Why aren't you guys saying anything?"

He didn't receive an answer from the other directors and only heard Mo Rao snort coldly.

"Director Wang, you're really forgetful. You don't even remember what you did?"

Wang Xiao hated Mo Rao to begin with. Now that he heard Mo Rao suddenly interrupt, he immediately looked at Mo Rao unhappily. "What right do you have to speak when I'm talking to the other directors?!"

However, when he met Mo Rao's cold and mocking gaze, he had a bad feeling.

Mo Rao sneered and threw the last document she had specifically left for Wang Xiao in front of him. "Director Wang, it's better if you take a look at this document first."

When Wang Xiao's gaze swept across the faces of the other directors, he suddenly felt that something was wrong.

His hands trembled as he picked up the document in front of him and flipped it open.

The words on the document caught his eye. His eyes widened and his hand that was holding the document couldn't help but tremble.

Looking at Wang Xiao's reaction, the directors who originally believed him understood now—Wang Xiao had probably really betrayed their company.

“Don’t be deceived by Mo Rao!” At this moment, Wang Xiao suddenly threw the document on the conference table and stood up abruptly. He looked at Mo Rao angrily as he shouted, “These things are fake! Mo Rao can’t stand me, so she wants to frame me!”

His voice was very shrill, as if this could prove that he was “innocent”.

“What evidence? Is this called evidence?! What’s written here is all about Chen Yong. What does it have to do with me, Wang Xiao?!” At this moment, Wang Xiao was no longer as flustered as before. Instead, he was very self-righteous.

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“Who doesn’t know that Chen Yong used to be your subordinate?!” A director finally couldn’t help but scold.

Facing Wang Xiao’s quibble, Mo Rao said to Zhao Ying calmly, “Go and bring Chen Yong over.”

When Zhao Ying heard this, she immediately nodded and turned to leave the conference room.

“Since President Wang doesn’t admit that what Chen Yong did has anything to do with you, let’s find him so you guys can have a confrontation.” Mo Rao smiled confidently.

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Wang Xiao secretly clenched his fists and suppressed the anger in his heart. He was very afraid that he would be exposed.

After a while, Zhao Ying brought Chen Yong over.

When Chen Yong stepped into the meeting room, he immediately felt the heavy atmosphere.

He looked at Wang Xiao, who seemed to be exasperated, and then at Mo Rao, who was sitting at the top with an unfathomable expression. He instantly thought of what had happened previously and broke out in cold sweat.

“I wonder why President Mo called me over?” He asked guiltily.

However, as if she didn’t seem to notice his guilty look, Mo Rao went straight to the point. “You contacted the Shen Corporation previously and leaked the company’s plan...”

Although she didn’t finish her sentence, Chen Yong already understood what Mo Rao meant. Cold sweat flowed down his forehead.

“President Mo! This is all a misunderstanding! I contacted the Shen Corporation employee because he’s my good friend! I really didn’t leak the company’s plan!” Chen Yong was anxious to clear his name. Before Mo Rao could finish, he explained in a panic.

Not to mention the others, even Wang Xiao, who was present, felt that Chen Yong was unreliable when he saw his anxious appearance.

Mo Rao sneered. “Chen Yong, since I said such a thing, I naturally have enough evidence.”

Mo Rao paused for a moment and continued calmly, "But you should also understand that if you secretly leak the company's plan, you might be sentenced if the situation is serious."

Mo Rao suddenly looked up and stared straight at Chen Yong.

"Do you think you can continue in this industry in the future if word gets out that you were sentenced for leaking the company's plan?!"

She sounded firm, as if she was already certain of Chen Yong's outcome.

Chen Yong had worked for many years already, so he naturally understood what would happen to him if this matter spread. No company would be willing to hire someone like him, who leaked the company's secrets.

When Chen Yong's psychological defense was at its weakest, Mo Rao continued, "However... if you're willing to say who instructed you, your punishment can be lightened. You..."

"Mo Rao! Stop spouting nonsense!" Wang Xiao suddenly interrupted Mo Rao and threatened Chen Yong, "Chen Yong, don't do anything stupid!"

Chen Yong looked at the flustered Wang Xiao.

He didn't expect that after doing so much for Wang Xiao, he would still be threatened by him in the end.

"Chen Yong, I know you're just an ordinary employee with parents and children. If I really hand the evidence to the police and you go to jail, what will happen to your family?" Mo Rao looked at Chen Yong, who was wavering, and continued to persuade him.

Chen Yong clenched his fists and felt his mind buzzing.

"Chen Yong, we've seen the evidence. Tell us who instigated you!" A director who had always stood on Mo Rao's side said.

"That's right, Chen Yong. President Mo has already said that as long as you tell her who's behind it, she can let you off."

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When he heard these words, Chen Yong's psychological defense was completely shattered.

He couldn't even save himself anymore, so why should he care about Wang Xiao?!

"President Mo, I admit that I leaked the company's plan this time!" Chen Yong suddenly said frankly.

When Wang Xiao saw that Chen Yong had taken responsibility for this matter, a satisfied smile immediately appeared in his eyes. Just as he was about to say something to mock Mo Rao, he heard Chen Yong continue, "However, Director Wang Xiao asked me to do this! He even threatened me that if I didn't do as he said, he would definitely fire me and slander me in the industry! He would make me unable to find a job!"

Mo Rao's eyes were filled with amusement as she looked straight at Wang Xiao. "Director Wang, what else do you have to say now?!"

