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Once Roxana put her phone aside, she proceeded to read the recent usage details given to the plants by the research institute, which gave her a headache. In truth, she had already planned it the night before; She was going to ask Jonatan to introduce her to some plant suppliers.

However, the Quevedo Group had given them benefits before. If Roxana asked another favor, she would seem like a greedy person. In fact, she thought for a long time during the call, but she didn't say anything about it to Jonatan. Therefore, she had no choice but to communicate with seniors she met at that medical conference, though Roxana wondered if they would remember her.

Since the day before was exhausting and she couldn't sleep well last night, Roxana got frustrated when she saw her contact list. Everything seemed to be going well at the research institute, they even completed several important projects under her direction. However, suddenly, they fell back to the first step; in reality, the situation seemed worse than back then.

"I didn't do anything wrong, so why doesn't Sonia leave me alone?" she thought, feeling fury, which intensified when she couldn't get anyone to answer her calls. Scowling, she massaged her temples. Once again, she was forced to admit how weak and helpless she was.

Mientras tanto, Frida sentía que la habían tratado de manera injusta. Una cosa era que Alfredo la regañara, pero otra que el anciano le quitara todo el poder en el Grupo Quevedo. Aunque ella se quejó con Abril al respecto, más furiosa se ponía entre más lo pensaba. Al final, apenas pudo dormir aquella noche.

Meanwhile, Frida felt that she had been treated unfairly. It was one thing for Alfredo to scold her, but another for her old man to take away all her power in the Quevedo Group. Although she complained to April about it, the angrier she became with each other the more she thought about it. In the end, she could barely sleep that night.

The next morning, after breakfast, Frida hurried to the Quevedo Group. She did not dare to express her complaints to Alfredo, but she did dare to convince her brother otherwise. Just as Jonatan ended his call with Roxana, he heard a disturbance outside.

—Miss Quevedo, Mr. Quevedo is busy. If he didn't make an appointment...

"Let go of me!" What's wrong with me looking for my brother? It was Frida's voice.

What is he doing here? thought Jonathan, getting up with a headache.

"First, go away," he told his assistant as he opened the office door.

Then, he frowned at his sister, turning to walk back into his office in silence. She hastened to follow him,

and as he entered, she sat on the sofa, surveying the area. Although Jonatan had scolded her the day before, he still adored her sister. Despite her serious expression, he poured her a cup of coffee and sat across from her.

"What are you doing here so early?" asked Jonathan patiently.

"Can't I just come here for no reason?" Frida snorted, smiling, while she took the cup of coffee. I am also part of the Quevedo family!

After her words, Frida fell into an awkward silence, drank her coffee and feigned disinterest, trying to hide her remorse. Jonatan knew what Frida was thinking, but he didn't say anything out loud; rather, he got up, took some documents, read them in her chair next to her, waiting for her to confess the reason for her visit.

—Jonatan, could you speak to my grandfather for me and tell him to let me stay at Grupo Quevedo? Frida admitted after a while.

"Give me a reason to," she replied, making a face and pushing her reading aside.

Frida was upset when she saw her brother's somber expression: "I've already been humiliated, but he continues to behave like that, as if he had done something horrible!"

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"Do you still think you weren't wrong?" Jonatan was trying to figure out what he was thinking by taking a look at him. Coldly and seriously, he lowered the documents he was holding and stared at her.

-I did not do anything wrong. Frida frowned. The one who attacked Roxana was not me, but Mrs. Fariña. I just followed her instructions.

—Señora Fariña told you herself that she couldn't deliver the plants to Dr. Jerez's research institute? — She questioned her, causing Frida to startle. For a moment, she tensed, but she relaxed again.

"Even if she didn't ask me, I know what she wants," she replied, steeling herself. Also, we have a good relationship with Grupo Fariña, so why shouldn't we help them?

Before Jonatan could respond, he added:

—Jonatan, remember that Roxana left without saying a word to you, leaving you with the divorce papers. Miss Fariña still hasn't settled accounts with her. Aren't we on the same side as the Fariñas, knowing everything that happened? You should be avenging Luciano, considering how close you are to him!

"Luciano told you this?" Her," she returned the question coldly. Does Luciano need you or me to avenge him?

Jonatan was aware that Luciano did not need to be avenged, but actually defended Roxana more than anyone else. Therefore, how was it possible that Luciano wanted Roxana to be attacked?

With this in mind, he began to think how Luciano wasn't even aware of what Sonia was doing against her. Otherwise, Luciano would have already done something about it. Meanwhile, Frida continued with her excuses:

—In spite of everything, what Roxana did to us at that time is a fact. Mrs. Fariña will never forgive her; April...

-Enough! Jonatan interrupted her after recovering his senses. You know very well that you are doing this for Mrs. Fariña or for yourself! Frida Quevedo, ask yourself the following: what harm has Dr. Jerez done to her family? If it weren't for her, Grandpa wouldn't have recovered. She is the savior of the Quevedo family! It's one thing for her to attack her with words, but another for you to refuse to admit you're wrong even after something as absurd as this!

It was the first time that Frida looked at her brother so enraged at her and, for a moment, she was scared and remained silent. Then he frowned and added:

—Although I don't know where your prejudices with Dr. Jerez come from, from now on, I don't want to hear that you're doing stupid things like this, much less that you use Grupo Fariña as an excuse!

It was then that Frida calmed down and opened her lips to defend herself from her; However, before she could speak, the man got up and returned to sit at her desk.

—You can retire if you have nothing to say; I have work to do. I'm afraid you lack self-discipline," Jonatan continued. He knew he couldn't change her mind, so he didn't want to waste her breath.

After this, he concentrated on his work and didn't bother to glance at Frida. Even so, she refused to give up; when she noticed that he wasn't looking, she tried to make sounds to get her brother's attention.

However, after a while, she did not raise her head. After huffing annoyed, she Frida took her bag and got up. While her heels made a noise as they left her, Frida, still irritated, slammed the door. Jonathan only frowned at the loud noise, but he continued working.

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The question Jonatan asked in the morning haunted her mind all day. When he left work at night, he called Luciano, who immediately answered his call:

—What's going on, Jonatan?

"It's been a while since we've seen each other," he laughed a little. Do you have time to drink something?

Luciano frowned when he heard this, since he knew that Jonatan had something to tell him, so he lowered his voice and agreed. After hanging up the call, Luciano asked Camilo to pick up Estela from school and went to a private club he frequented. Right when entering the place, the waiter approached.

—Mr. Fariña, Mr. Quevedo is waiting for you.

Luciano nodded and followed him into a private room. Although Jonatan invited Luciano to drink, there was only a bottle of beer on the table, while the rest of what was on it were plants of delicacies. On the sofa, Jonatan was absorbed in his thoughts. When he saw Luciano walk in, he stood up and smiled.

"I wanted to buy you a drink, but it's a busy day and I haven't eaten, so it's lunch time."

Luciano asked the servant to leave by nodding his head. In seconds, the two were alone in the room.

-Something happened? Luciano asked as he sat down next to Jonatan. Tell me.

Jonathan was puzzled. He remembered the way Luciano treated Roxana, but he had forgotten that he hadn't seen them interact in a long time. In other words, he didn't know if the relationship between them had changed. Wouldn't his actions be worth it if things were as his sister told him and if Luciano agreed to it too?

Even so, by the time he thought about it, he had already called Luciano, so he had no choice but to keep his appointment. While he waited for Luciano, Jonatan had thought about the matter, unsure if he should talk to him or not. Therefore, Jonatan felt so confused when he heard Luciano's question. So, he decided to play dumb and disinterested by taking food with his fork and saying:

"I haven't eaten all day and I'm hungry!" First we eat and then we talk. —Luciano only frowned upon seeing Jonatan's abrupt actions. Giving him a bite of food, he added, "Luciano, I think you haven't eaten yet either, right?" Come on, try this.

The man next to him was silent for a moment. Given this, Jonatan felt sorry: «I shouldn't have rushed to call him. If he hadn't done it, I wouldn't be making myself suffer like this."

After a brief silence, Luciano decided not to talk about it and ate with Jonatan. In doing so, Jonatan talked about business matters to distract Luciano. Even so, the more he tried, Luciano realized that something was wrong with him. Just as they were about to finish, Jonatan was looking for an excuse to leave.

"You haven't told me why you invited me," Luciano commented. What is it that is so hard for you to say?

Jonatan tensed and forced himself to sit back on the sofa, contemplating his response:

—I just wanted to ask if you've been in contact with Miss Jerez.

«Miss Sherry? I mean, Roxana Jerez?», Luciano frowned. He hadn't been in contact with her since he saw her in the cafeteria. The last time he heard from her was when Estela told him that she was planning to move abroad. At that thought, Luciano turned cold.

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The atmosphere in the room became tense. Jonathan shuddered discreetly and wondered if he should continue speaking.

-Why do you ask me? Luciano looked at him.

Jonatan cleared his throat and answered as disinterestedly as possible:

—When she came to check on Grandpa yesterday, I suddenly remembered that you were on good terms with her, so I wanted to ask you a question about it. I hardly talk to her, so...

"So I won't bother with it anymore."

Before Jonatan could finish speaking, Luciano's gaze turned furious. Jonathan was sure that he would realize what was happening soon; therefore, he stopped and looked at him in confusion.

"What's going on, Luciano?"

"Do you want to conquer her?" Luciano frowned.

Jonathan could see the annoyance on his face. His question left him confused and speechless: "What did I say to make you believe that?"

Indeed, Roxana was a kind woman, but Jonatan knew about her relationship with Luciano, in which he was not going to get involved, even if he remained in the past, because that would make him an unfair friend. On the other hand, Roxana's rejection when Alfredo tried to match them up was evident. How could he brazenly conquer her?

Even so, Luciano glared at his friend while thinking many things. As far as he knew, even if Roxana infuriated him so much, she was a lovely woman in many ways. Therefore, he was not surprised that the other was interested. Also, from the way Jonatan was acting, hesitating to speak since Luciano entered...

It was clear that Jonatan thought the matter was a difficult subject. Therefore, Luciano had guessed what Jonatan was going to talk about as soon as he mentioned Roxana. However, sudden fury began to burn in him at the thought of that possibility, making him act cold. The silence was tense. It took Jonatan a while to recover his composure after Luciano's shocking question. Then he waved his hands trying to deny it:

"Why would you think that?" I only noticed that Dr. Jerez had lost a lot of weight and since you

protected her so much back then... I wanted to know if the two of you... —Jonatan looked at him tentatively and cautiously separated his hands, making a separation gesture, that is, he was asking if he was no longer interested.

"I protected her?"

"I noticed it when Dr. Jerez treated my grandfather and during my grandfather's birthday celebration she agreed." We've been friends for years, why wouldn't I know you well?

Luciano pursed his lips mockingly. To those of strangers, he was very protective of Roxana, but who would have imagined that she would avoid him and even run abroad to hide from him?

At the moment that Jonatan noticed a change in Luciano's attitude, he felt a headache again. He couldn't say that Luciano had nothing to do with the fact that he still cared about Roxana. Despite everything he said, he didn't hear a single word of concern from Luciano. In truth, he seemed distant and moody, as if someone owed him his life savings.

At the same time, Jonatan couldn't say that Luciano didn't care about Roxana; after all, he had never seen his friend go through such mood swings as this over a woman. Not only did Luciano interrupt him, but he continued with the topic that Jonatan had raised.

"Should I talk to him about it?"

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A while later, Jonatan took a deep breath and steeled himself to ask, "

So, how are things going between the two of you?" If you don't plan on getting involved with her, the next time I check on my grandfather I'll see her as a normal doctor and I won't be so polite.

"She Just treat her like you've always treated her," Luciano said a few seconds later.

"Anyway, she won't be going abroad soon; she will no longer have many opportunities to review the great Mr. Quevedo ».

Hearing this, Jonatan sighed in relief because her words meant that Luciano was still interested in her. Once he found out about this, he tried to divert the topic towards the problems that Roxana had in the last days. Clearing his throat, he tried to make the subject change as smooth as possible and commented:

—Also, when Dr. Jerez came to attend to my grandfather yesterday, she mentioned that the research institute had problems again.

-What happened? Luciano turned to see him.

—Dr. Jerez came to treat my grandfather because the plant suppliers in Horneros refused to collaborate with the research institute. For this reason, he came with the Quevedo family to obtain a contract that would be announced to the public about the sale of plants to their research institute at half price. After that, since she managed to treat my grandfather, I signed a contract with her as promised. With Grupo Quevedo as a forerunner, most of the plant suppliers began to collaborate with the research institute again. However, the last few days...

Jonatan stopped speaking when he saw his friend's expression, who was frowning. After a brief pause, he continued,

"The same thing happened yesterday." All plant suppliers in Horneros received a notice warning them not to collaborate with Dr. Jerez's research institute. So, the only partner he has left is Grupo Quevedo.

"Who caused this?" Luciano asked with fury on his face.

Jonatan remained silent before deciding whether to give Luciano the answer immediately or not. Instead, he patted her shoulders and replied mysteriously, “

That's all I can tell you. I am sure that investigating this matter will not be difficult for you, so it is better that you do it yourself.

Despite everything, Sonia was older than him. After all, it was a family matter for Luciano; if he continued, he would be crossing the line. Jonatan thought that Luciano would take care of the matter the next day at work later after saying goodbye to him; To his surprise, just when he told him, Luciano took out his phone to make a call, unaware that he had Jonatan next to him.

Meanwhile, Camilo had finished cleaning up and had just gotten into bed when he heard his phone ring with the tone he selected for Luciano. Then he jumped up and answered:

"What can I do for you, Mr. Fariña?"

—Find out who has contacted the main plant suppliers in Horneros under the name of the Fariña Group and who is not allowing them to collaborate with the Virtual Reality Medical Research Institute — Luciano ordered. Instantly, Camilo agreed to work on it.

After a while after finishing the call, Camilo got confused. Although Grupo Fariña had various types of businesses, they did not venture into the medical industry: “Why is Mr. Fariña suddenly asking me to investigate this? Why would someone from the Fariña Group communicate with plant suppliers?”

Despite how strange the situation seemed, Camilo got down to work. After all, it was something related to the Fariña Group and, besides, he was Luciano's assistant. For Camilo, investigating was not difficult at all.

Shortly after, he found out what had happened, leaving him puzzled again: «Isn't the Virtual Reality

Medical Research Institute owned by Dr. Jerez? Also, the person that Mr. Fariña asked me to investigate turns out to be Mrs. Fariña?

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It took Camilo a long time to recover from the shock, so the first thing he did was report it to Luciano, who didn't say a word after finishing the call; Jonathan wasn't a fool, so he finished eating, even though he was already cold. When Luciano's phone turned on again, Jonatan turned to look at him and the other answered quickly.

"Mr. Fariña, I have the results," Camilo pronounced cautiously.

-Who did this? Luciano asked with a deep voice.

"It's... Mrs. Fariña," answered the other, undecided. Luciano looked down when he heard it, but no trace of surprise crossed his face; since Jonatan had told him about the matter, he somehow managed to guess who was behind it. He instructed Camilo to investigate further to verify that his speculation was correct.

"Understood," he replied, and without any expression, Luciano hung up the call. The temperature in the room had dropped almost below zero by then, so Jonatan opened his mouth to say something, but Luciano's words echoed before.

"When did you find out about this?" He questioned him, causing Jonatan to tense up before he could answer him honestly.

"Yesterday," he said, and just at that moment, the temperature dropped even more, so he hastened to explain. The Quevedo Group was also affected, so I got busy dealing with their problems; Besides, I didn't know how I should tell you this, so I put it off until today. Don't worry, the herbs that the Quevedo Group provided to Dr. Jerez and the others should be enough.

Luciano looked down and suppressed his annoyance, after all, ultimately, it was his fault that something like that happened; he knew his mother didn't like Roxana and he watched their confrontation in the cafe for himself. He must have realized that her mother would have laid a finger on Roxana and that he should have sent more men to watch over them and stop them from doing anything and to protect Roxana; however, Luciano had been very busy with his company. Every time he returned from his office, he stayed with Estela at all times, which resulted in neglecting Roxana; therefore, he never expected his mother to make such a swift move.

"Besides, I didn't know you knew about this," Jonatan added slowly, because he thought that Luciano would have a notion, since Sonia achieved it using the power of the Fariña Group. If it weren't for the words Frida said in the morning, Jonatan would never have thought of telling Luciano about the situation; After saying that, Luciano's expression became even more somber.

«That woman must have known that this had something to do with the Fariña Group; she maybe she

thinks i know too. Since before this happened, she was already ignoring me, now, I wonder what she will think of me ».

"I've been busy with the company," she answered simply, and the other just nodded.

"Certainly, Mrs. Fariña would have hidden it from Luciano."

"I would have told you yesterday if I had known that you were unaware of the situation," Jonatan spoke regretfully, although there was no change of expression on Luciano's face, who began to speak.

"Only the two of us will know about this; my mother is not going to find out that you told me.

If Luciano put himself in Jonatan's shoes, he would be able to understand the reason why he took so long to say it: their families were on good terms, but if he mentioned it to Luciano, Jonatan would have formed an enmity with his mother. Jonatan frowned and replied,

"That's not the point. If I hadn't seen with my own eyes the way you treated Dr. Jerez, I wouldn't have come here to talk to you about this.

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"Still, what are you going to do now that you know? Jonatan asked curiously, while he stared at Luciano.

Jonatan was sure of the interest that his friend had in Roxana; however, if Luciano was going to turn against Sonia for Roxana, it was something Jonatan wasn't sure about. Luciano frowned, while frustration filled his entire being; A little later, at last, he answered.

"I'll think of a way to deal with the Fariña Group. Are you going to be able to help Roxana? He questioned, perplexing Jonatan.

«Think of a way? What the hell does that mean? Are you going to turn against Mrs. Fariña or not?»

"Okay, if it's inconvenient for you, I'll think of a way myself. For now, I can't go against my mother in public," Luciano continued, seeing that Jonatan didn't say anything. With the kind of person her mother was, the more she turned against her for Roxana, the more annoyed her mother would be with her and use her more as her target; besides, despite everything, she was his mother. Luciano had to be more or less considerate of his status; Jonathan was slow to come to his senses and after a moment of meditation, he spoke.

"Ultimately, I'm going to help you. Right now, the Quevedo Group is the only one that works with the research institute of Dr. Jerez; although I can make sure they get the herbs they need for now, I won't be able to do this in the long run. Dr. Jerez will need to work with more herbal suppliers and with the influence of Grupo Quevedo in Horneros, it won't be very difficult for me to convince many suppliers; however... —she expressed, but she trailed off little by little and gave Luciano a long look, who frowned at him even more.

-What is the problem?

"Things would be much easier if you supported me," Jonatan replied, raising an eyebrow. "I'll just be looking for a few better herb suppliers and no one will say a word to Mrs. Fariña," he added, to which Luciano inclined his head.

-Thank you; also, if possible, try to keep her within the country," he requested. Luciano knew Roxana well: he knew that she would not leave the institute just like that for her to rot and go abroad. If Jonatan was going to help, Roxana would do her best to work with him.

-No problem! she exclaimed. Right after accepting, Jonatan analyzed what Luciano had said and frowned in shock. Wait, what do you mean? Will Dr. Jerez go abroad? She doesn't she plan to stay in the country? —She inquired and Luciano nodded; Jonatan, for his part, was still incredulous. How did you find out about that? I thought you hadn't contacted her in a while. You didn't even know what happened at her research institute! What if it's just a misunderstanding on his part? It hasn't been long since Dr. Jerez returned to the country.

As far as Jonatan had understood, Roxana had gone abroad for six years and returned to the country to lead a research institute; she had put so much effort into it that Jonatan couldn't believe she would leave so easily.

"It's the truth, it's not a misunderstanding; she told Ela about it," Luciano confirmed with a mocking smile. He too was shocked to find out, but it was the reality that he had to accept.

"Then you..." Jonatan spoke, while he looked at him with a doubtful look.

"What will Luciano do if Dr. Jerez leaves the country?"

"That's why I asked you to keep her inside the country," Luciano repeated, with a somber look. With that, Jonathan composed himself and let out a breath, then chuckled and teased him.

"I knew you wouldn't let her go that easily.

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However, Jonatan had kept a thought since he found out that Roxana was Luciano's ex-wife, the one who had left without saying a word and he couldn't help but ask about it.

"What relationship does Dr. Jerez have with Ela?" She had never seen the girl be so dependent on someone," she inquired and although she didn't say it out loud, Luciano could guess what Jonatan wanted to ask, so he answered softly.

"She is her daughter.

Jonatan had been right a long time ago, but hearing it from Luciano was another matter, it even took him a while to come to his senses after hearing said answer. The time in which Roxana left and Estela's age, together with how close they were, caused Jonatan to suspect that Estela was Roxana's daughter; However, it seemed that Roxana treated Estela like any ordinary child every time they interacted, so he didn't dare to draw conclusions and was perplexed when he heard Luciano's confession.

«So, Dr. Jerez will not know about this? She gave birth to the girl, but she has no idea about that? »

"Dr. Jerez doesn't know about this, right?" —Jonatan questioned doubtfully, because he couldn't get that out of his head, to which Luciano nodded.

"It looks like something happened in between, so neither of us knows about it," she explained; The more Jonatan thought about it, the more absurd it became.

"Then why don't you tell them both?"

«If Dr. Jerez discovers that Estela is her daughter, she may decide to marry Luciano again for Estela's sake. Things wouldn't be that complicated, she thought, and Luciano's eyes darkened.

"Because she has two children.

At first, it was because of her two children and also because he believed that Roxana knew that Estela was her daughter; later, she realized the misunderstanding, but no longer had the opportunity to explain it to him. Now, Roxana was avoiding him and he was sure that telling her would only cause him more problems; Jonatan, for his part, knew that Roxana had two children, but he had never seen them in person, so he only limited himself to saying:

"We don't know what Dr. Jerez has gone through in all these years and honestly, I'm curious to know where her children are from," she said. Luciano looked down in silence, since the history of the children was still a mystery to him; Upon noticing said silence, Jonatan noticed that his friend did not want to continue talking about the subject, so he began to talk about another coke—. Despite everything, Dr. Jerez is Ela's biological mother and, ultimately, I must help for her sake, so rest assured and let me take care of the Dr. Jerez matter.

"Thank you," Luciano replied, nodding and his tense expression relaxed a bit.

"If you want to thank me, you'll have to buy me a meal," Jonatan said with a smile, which Luciano reciprocated and accepted. It was getting late and both of them had finished discussing the main topic, so they got up to leave; As they went downstairs, the waiter approached them to ask them about the receipt, for which Jonatan answered raising an eyebrow. Put it in Mr. Fariña's account.

The waiter turned to see Luciano, he nodded with his head, so he proceeded to bow his head to the two men with respect before seeing how they left the place. Even after arriving at the Quevedo residence,

Jonatan kept remembering the promise he made to Luciano about Roxana, so he didn't dare procrastinate and contacted many herbal suppliers in Homeros who were on good terms with him. Grupo Quevedo and were under his protection that same night. After offering the benefits, while also threatening them, they agreed to consider working with the Virtual Reality Medical Research Institute.

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The next morning, Roxana was at the research institute, concerned about the issue of the partners, since she had contacted everyone she could in the country in recent days, but her efforts were in vain. Many of her did not have a wide network of connections in Homeros and even if they did, they were not going to fight the Grupo Fariña for her; Three days later, Roxana was lost and just when she was in despair, someone knocked on the door of her office, thus entering Conrado with Jonatan behind him.

"Dr. Jerez, Mr. Quevedo came," Conrado informed and upon hearing that, Roxana raised her head in astonishment to see the man behind Conrado.

"They have already delivered the herbs from the Quevedo Group, so what are you doing here?"

"Dr. Jerez," Jonatan greeted with a smile before examining his office, because he wanted to take the opportunity to find a photo of the father of his children, but he only found one of Roxana with the two children on her desk. After her, Jonathan sat across from her and looked at her; Conrado already knew why said man was there, so he took a seat on the sofa without even hesitating.

"Mr. Quevedo, did... something happen?" Roxana asked, holding her breath, worried that Jonatan would follow the wishes of Grupo Quevedo; he noticed it and showed him a comforting smile.

"This is what happened: my grandfather scolded me again after coming home yesterday. He told me that my compensation to you was still not enough, so last night, I started to think about what else I could do for you —she answered and upon hearing it, Roxana stiffened; however, Jonathan continued. I am also within the medical industry so I know how many herbs the institute would use. The provision of Grupo Quevedo would only help for a short period of time and our only supplier will not be enough for your job.

"You're right, I've also been looking to collaborate with other herbal suppliers these past few days, but haven't been able to find anyone. Mr. Quevedo, do you seem to have a plan? Roxana asked unable to do anything about it, after having knitted her eyebrows, to which Jonatan shook his head.

"I'll be honest with you. Although the Quevedo Group is not as powerful as the Fariña Group in Horneros, we still have quite a bit of influence in the medical industry. Many herbal suppliers in horneros received help from Grupo Quevedo when they were just starting up, so these companies could consider collaborating with your establishment, as long as I raised the issue with them," Jonatan explained and Roxana's heart stopped for a second, but even so, he spoke hesitantly.

Isn't this something risky for the Quevedo Group? Said has always been on good terms with the Fariña

Group and I have seen the good relationship that his family has with the Fariñas. If Mrs. Faria discovers that she has been doing this... —said Roxana, who felt grateful for what Jonatan had offered to give her a hand with the matter, but she also had to put herself in his shoes. If Sonia found out that Jonatan helped her and the family relationship became tense because of that, Roxana wouldn't know how to make it up to Jonatan; however, he smiled carelessly at her.

"Obviously I've thought of that, too." Don't worry, Dr. Jerez, the few providers I contacted are not small-scale businesses in Horneros; Also, trust me when I tell you that Grupo Fariña is not going to find out about this and even if they do, they might close their eyes to it.

With Luciano's support, even if Sonia found out about this, it was unlikely that she would be able to do anything about it; however, Roxana didn't know that Luciano was involved, so she was still calm even after hearing Jonatan's answer, because no one knew better than Roxana how hostile Sonia was towards her. Roxana was already happy that the Quevedo Group continued with their contract, because she did not want to get them into trouble.

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—The Quevedo Group will not fight with the Fariña Group over something as trivial as this and I will not risk my group either; It was obvious that he had already made all the preparations before coming to talk about them with you," Jonathan reformulated his words, noticing Roxana's concern. The indecision on his face gradually faded when she saw his confident expression; however, he didn't hold back from asking another question.

"But why are you helping me?" Is it only because I cured the illness of the great Mr. Quevedo?

When Jonatan thought about the conversation with Luciano the night before, the thoughts he had about her changed when he saw her eyes; However, Roxana only felt surprised when she returned her gaze and a second later, Jonatan spoke slowly.

—My grandfather had been bedridden for years and thanks to you, Dr. Jerez, he was able to recover to this point, also, you said before that my grandfather was already on the verge of death when he took your case. Therefore, you are his savior; this is a great favor that he did for the Quevedo family and even my grandfather thinks that you are part of the family. He asked me to be extra considerate of you.

Roxana suddenly remembered the way Alfredo tried to set her up with Jonatan, so when she heard her words, she began to wonder if Alfredo had already given up on that; a look of understanding crossed her eyes and she spoke to Jonathan solemnly.

"Please, thank the great Mr. Quevedo for me. It is my duty as a doctor to treat and save patients; Besides, it's not like I didn't get anything in return. The Quevedo family paid for my service, so we don't owe each other anything. The great Mr. Quevedo does not need to continue thinking about this matter," she said and after a few seconds of silence, Roxana continued with a serious voice. Also, I already have two children, I had already given my clear rejection of what the great Mr. Quevedo mentioned last time; I'm sure you didn't accept either," she added. Just as those words left her mouth,

the expressions of the two people in the room changed and a look of exasperation appeared on Jonatan's face.

Is it so difficult to misunderstand my words? Even Luciano did it when I told him about this last night, now Roxana did the same.

In contrast, Conrado felt his heart sink and his eyes widened, for he knew that Roxana was closer to Jonatan after having treated her grandfather; however, he had no idea that Alfredo transmitted said message before. Although Roxana didn't say it out loud, Conrado managed to guess that Alfredo wanted to set her up with Jonatan; It took him a while to dismiss the exasperation he felt. With an amused expression on his face, he prepared to answer her.

-It has nothing to do with that. She's already turned him down, so how come my grandfather would insist on that? We only feel that the Quevedo family must have a friend like you after having saved him and knowing his personality —she explained and finally, Roxana was able to sigh in relief and smiled at him.

“In that case, I will accept, Mr. Quevedo, regardless of whether the herbal suppliers he mentioned work with us or not, I remain grateful to the Quevedo family for lending us a hand. Please, let me treat you to lunch another time,” he offered, and a bright smile broke out on Jonathan's face.

"That's good to hear. For the food that will invite me, ultimately, I will convince those suppliers; so, doctor Jerez, please, wait for my good news! she exclaimed and the two of them chatted for a little while more about the herbal purveyors, before Jonatan got up and left.