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Anyone who understood the situation knew that Yulia was not exaggerating the situation. They knew that Kareem Fashions had only conquered Cloudtopia's market. They were not even close to conquering the country's market. Since the formula was already leaked, this would bring a huge blow to their reputation.

Upon hearing what Yulia said, Skylar's expression grew even more serious. The truth was that he did not care about how much money Yulia was able to make. However, she had poured in a lot of effort in this project. Since she had a dream, Skylar would naturally give her his full support.

"Look, the formula is still being shared online!" Yulia showed Skylar her phone.

As soon as he saw it, he was shocked to see how the formula was already modified. This meant that someone from the company had leaked the formula. This explained why everyone assumed that Naomi was the mole.

Skylar did not say much as a middle-aged woman stepped out and glared at Naomi before saying, "Mr. Stone, aside from you and Madam Sue who knew about the formula, only another two people know about the formula. One would be the director of the production team and another is Madam Sue's assistant, Naomi. The director has already been working here for twenty years and is a stellar staff member. He has more experience than me and won't ever betray the company like this. Naomi, on the other hand, has only joined us recently. The surveillance footage showed her sneaking around last night and has switched on and off the computer a few times. She must be responsible for this!"

The middle-aged lady was called Amanda and was a seasoned employee in the company. She was already the assistant director when Yvonne was still in charge back then. Although she had made things difficult for Yulia back then, ever since Yulia had come to power, she was not demoted due to her experience.

"It wasn't me, Skylar! I only returned to change some data last night..." Naomi shook her head frantically

in his arms.

The only thing she could hope for at the moment was for Skylar to trust her. Amanda yelled, "Liar! Don't you think you can be let off that easily because of your looks!"

Soon, the others began to yell at her. "Yeah! Does she really think she can get away that easily because of her looks? Mr. Stone is Madam Sue's boyfriend. How dare she leap into his arms in front of her! Are you trying to seduce Mr. Stone to have him side with you?"

Skylar's expression dimmed as soon as he heard that. He knew that he was completely faithful to Yulia and Naomi was nothing more than a sister to him. Although things did not turn out the way his father had hoped for, Naomi's family would always be his real family. He could not stand by and do nothing when others were bullying his sister.

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"I trust you, Naomi. I won't let anyone frame you." Skylar comforted her as Naomi wiped her tears and looked up to be greeted by Skylar's comforting eyes. She said, "Why do I see that you seemed to be enjoying this?"

Amanda cautiously asked, "What are you saying, Mr. Stone? Do you think that I'm the one who leaked the formula?"

"That's probably true." Skylar scoffed.

Since he grew up with Naomi, he understood just how responsible of a person she was. She would never leak sensitive information like this. Besides, she had no reason to do that anyway. That was because he was the one who gave Yulia the formula in the first place. She had no reason to hurt her own family. Moreover, she had everything she wanted already. She had no reason to ruin her future like this.

Amanda, on the other hand, was unaware of the bond they shared and she seemed very frantic, so Skylar could tell that woman was extremely suspicious.

As soon as she heard that, Amanda yelled, "Who do you think you are, Skylar? You know, you are nothing more than a parasite leaching off Madam Sue! How dare you! I started working here after I graduated from my university. I've dedicated my whole life to the company. Everyone from the Sue family has to respect me, let alone a parasite like you! Besides, you're the only person who has access to the formula anyway. What reason do you have to suspect me anyway?"

"What reason do I have?" Skylar laughed and immediately sent a message to Dianne before saying, "You'll find out soon enough. Although I am not known to have a spotless mouth, I will never frame anyone. If you're not the one responsible, then I will apologize to you. If you turn out to be the one responsible, then you will have to reap the fruits of your bitter labor!"

Although Skylar was somewhat certain that it was Amanda, he knew that Amanda would never confess until the very last minute. All he could do was present evidence to her.

Amanda panicked and had a bad omen as soon as she heard that.

Since Naomi had Skylar's support, she stopped crying and started to calm down.

However, Skylar noticed how menacing Yulia looked, so he rushed over and said, "Don't worry, I'm here for you, honey. I have a way to bring whoever leaked this information to face their consequences."

Skylar sounded calm yet menacing, which calmed Yulia down. She said, "Yeah, I'm not worried since you're here." She gave him a gentle smile after that.

Suddenly, Dianne entered the office with a folder.

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"This is the information you wanted, sir." Dianne handed the folder to Skylar after that.

As soon as Skylar received the folder, he glanced at Amanda and said, "Say Amanda, I have the information here. You and your family's accounts seem a little fat this month don't you think? Do you think that I'll find something here?"

"What... What? What are you saying?" Amanda panicked.

The other staff members who were yelling at Naomi earlier started to get nervous as well.

However, Skylar glanced at them and opened the folder. It did not take long for Skylar to find the information that he wanted as he threw it at Amanda's face.

"Amadan, your mother's accounts had received five hundred thousand dollars at eight-thirty last night. Please do me a favor and explain to me just how a retired old lady managed to make that much

money?"

Amanda panicked further. She knew that she had been careful, but she did not expect Skylar to be resourceful enough to find her mother's bank statements. However, she would not give up without a fight. "That is my mother's account and it has nothing to do with me. What right do you have to stick your nose into her business? If I remember correctly, you are violating other people's privacy by looking at other people's bank statements, right? I will be pressing charges!" Amanda glared at Skylar as she said that. However, the more defensive she was, the more suspicious she would seem.

"Go on then! Do it right now!" Skylar laughed and continued, "That will save me the trip anyway. When the court issued me an order, I will tell them about your bribe and how you leaked sensitive information. You will be spending the rest of your life in jail then!"

Amanda panicked as soon as she heard that as she was afraid of going to jail. She said, "No... It wasn't me. Naomi was the one who leaked the information, not me!"

Amanda seemed to have a breakdown as she screamed.

Skylar frowned and scoffed, "Why don't you cover your own tracks first before you frame others? Do you think the judge will believe anything you say when there is so much evidence against you?"

Yulia had lost faith in Amanda after she found out that Amanda had leaked the information for a bribe before framing Naomi.

Since this involved the people Skylar cared about, Skylar would not let her off that easily, so he said, "Call the cops, Dianne. Have her taken away."

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As much as Amanda deserved to die, Skylar did not want to dirty his hands and knew that having her spend the rest of her life in jail would be torture to her.

Amanda panicked when Skylar told Dianne to call the cops. She pleaded, "Please! No! Don't call the cops!" She immediately knelt in front of Skylar and Yulia after that. She continued, "I admit that I'm the one who leaked the formula. I'm so sorry and I shouldn't be swayed by five hundred thousand dollars. Please Madam Sue, please spare me since I've given my entire life for this company! I won't dare do the same thing again!"

However, Yulia was undeterred by this. She knew that her company had given her fair compensation for her sacrifice. Although she was kind, she was not a fool. She could not believe that Amanda even tried to frame Naomi for her crimes. She could not allow this to slide that easily. She asked after a brief pause, "Who gave you the money?"

Since Amanda was only focused on staying out of prison, she came clean. "It was Mr. Xander. He called me last night. He told me that he will give me five-hundred thousand dollars if I can give him the formula. I have been buying a lot of clothes and bags and nearly maxed out my credit card. I was forced to a corner, so... But, I was just assuming that he will be manufacturing the same thing. I didn't expect him to share it only and cause so much damage to the company. I..."

"Harry?" Yulia looked bitter as she mumbled his name.

She knew that he would retaliate after he was humiliated by Skylar yesterday. She did not expect him to use such underhanded tactics to ruin them.

Skylar obviously knew who she was referring to, so he said, "Since you didn't want to live, I will send you to your maker then!"

Skylar looked menacing when he said that. He knew that he was already very calm yesterday when he threatened Yulia. He did not expect him to cross them again, so he decided to act then!

Amanda had been pleading her heart out then. "Please, Madam Sue. I've told you everything that I

know. I was just blinded by money. Please spare..."

"Dianne!" Before Amanda could finish, Skylar interjected. "What are you still standing here for! I want you to look into everyone who was yelling at Naomi earlier. Anyone who is found guilty will be sent to jail for the rest of their lives!"

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Amada was stunned to hear what Skylar said as she fell limp on the ground before her entire expression turned pale. The others who were yelling at Naomi earlier looked incredibly worried as well.

"Yes sir!" Dianne made the call as soon as she said that. It did not take long for the cops to arrive to detain Amanda.

"I want you to find out where Harry is right now, Amanda. I want to meet him," said Skylar.

"Yes sir!" Dianne made another phone call after that.

"I'll go with you, Skylar." Yulia was livid and wanted to confront Harry.

Skylar nodded and said, "Alright. I want to find out just who exactly is he to dare pull such a stunt on my wife!"

After getting an answer from Dianne, they left Kareem Fashions immediately.

Meanwhile in the VIP room of a five star hotel.

Harry was having the time of his life with two beautiful women next to him. However, just as things were starting to be fun, someone knocked on his door.

"Who is it? I'm busy, leave this to later!" Harry yelled.

His bodyguard's voice could be heard coming from the other side of the door saying, "Sir, Yulia is here. A man and a woman are currently with her and seemed to be her staff members."

Harry's mood improved and said, "So, they came earlier than I expected. I thought she's able to at least hold on for two days!" Harry got up and said, "Send her in. But have her come in alone. Those two have no right to meet me."

"Yes sir. I'll get to it right away," The bodyguard replied.

However, before the bodyguard could turn around, he spotted a shadow before the heavy door was kicked open with a loud bang. The heavy wooden door was sent flying before crashing on the couch. It did not take long for another loud crash to be heard. It turned out that the couch was completely shattered.

The entire room seemed to be shaking as Harry and the women were completely shaken by what happened.

However, since he was in the company of two women, he decided to muster up some courage to say something. But, before he could say anything, a bone chilling voice could be heard saying, "Do you think you're worthy enough to meet my wife alone?"

Dianne entered the room after that. She was the one who kicked the door open earlier as both Skylar and Yulia were following closely behind her. Skylar was the one who made that statement earlier.

"So, it was you!" Harry got up and glared menacingly at Skylar.

He desperately wanted to destroy Skylar after he was humiliated by him yesterday. However, since he knew that he had leverage against them, he was in no hurry to do just that. So, he turned toward Yulia and said, "You kicked my door down, Yulia. Is this why you're here?"

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"I have always gotten what I wanted regardless of anything or anyone. Your company is barely worth a hundred million dollars. If you want me to give you the same offer, you should really show how sincere you are for that offer. At the very least, you should send those two away. We can get another room and have a decent conversation together." Harry had lustful eyes as he stared at Yulia's body.

It seemed that he assumed that if Yulia wanted to beg him to purchase her company, he could still be compensated. That was because if she delayed this any longer, her company would go bankrupt. It would be too late for her to do anything then.

Skylar shielded Yulia behind him and glared menacingly at Harry. He could not believe that anyone was bold enough to lust after his wife. So, he scoffed and said, "You're gravely mistaken! I am here to demand compensation from you. You have spent five hundred thousand dollars to bribe our staff members to leak the formula. This has caused our company to suffer a huge loss. I will give you two options to compensate us. The first would be a hundred billion dollars or you can pay us with your life!"

Harry's expression dimmed as soon as he heard that. However, he calmed down and said, "Who do you think you are? How dare you order me to do anything! A hundred billion dollars? My life? Oh please!"

So, Skylar grinned and said, "Since you wasted this opportunity, I will decide for you. I will be decapitating you then."

However, Harry burst out laughing as soon as he heard that. He asked, "You? Do you know who I am?" Harry continued, "Listen here little brat. I can assume that you're a fool for not knowing who I am. Now, listen closely. I am Harry Xander. The heir of the Xander family in the capital! My father has become the Patriarch of the family three years ago and my grandfather is one of the board members in the merchant's guild. You can dream about killing me. If you dare lay a finger on me, I will ruin your entire family!"

Both women were stunned to hear this. They assumed he was trying to keep a low profile by booking that room. They assumed Harry was just some spoiled rich kid. They did not expect him to be that

powerful. The Xander family from the capital were the top five most powerful families in the capital. The capital's wealth would be more than enough to eclipse Cloudtopia.

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The merchant's guild consisted of more than sixty percent of wealthy families. They were not an organization that could be easily trifled with. Anyone who was part of the council would be incredibly powerful. One could imagine just how powerful the Xander family was. So, with that thought, the women decided to butter up to Harry after Skylar and the others had left. If they could gain Harry's favor, they would be completely set for life.

However, Skylar was unfazed after hearing that. He said, "So what? Do you think that's enough to faze me? Let me tell you this. If I really want to, I can destroy your entire family along with the merchant's guild without much effort."

Skylar scoffed and told Dianne, "Since he wasted the opportunity that I've given him, go ahead and bring me his head!"

"Yes sir!" Dianne replied and took out her dagger.

"Oh please, stop boasting!" Harry was unbothered and assumed that Skylar was boasting. He could not believe that Skylar had sent a woman to kill him.

So, he stared at Dianne and told his bodyguard, "Hey, they are bold enough to threaten me. Kill her for me!"

"Yes sir!" The bodyguard rushed in and was wielding a cleaver. Apparently, the cleaver was specially

forged. It was incredibly durable and laced with poison. It was an extremely deadly weapon.

Seeing how his bodyguard was wielding the cleaver, Harry was extremely confident in his own survival.

The bodyguard rushed over to Dianne and said, "Say, why don't you surrender now. Maybe..." However, before he could finish, his heart thumped as he reached out to block an attack.

Dianne had apparently broken through his defenses with her unarmed hand. After that, the bodyguard felt a wave of extreme impact as he was sent crashing into the door with a loud bang.

"This..." The bodyguard was stunned as he did not expect a woman could be that powerful.

It seemed that Dianne had never even glanced at the bodyguard since the very start. She had also approached Harry while she attacked. It almost seemed like the bodyguard was nothing more than a mild annoyance to her mission.

"Oh no!" As the bodyguard noticed how close Dianne was to Harry, he got up and wanted to protect Harry. He was only allowed to live if Harry was alive since he was Harry's personal bodyguard.

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However, as soon as the bodyguard took one step forward, a cold menacing voice could be heard saying, "If you want to die, I don't mind doing you a favor as well!" That voice belonged to Dianne. It was not loud and in fact, she sounded very calm. However, this made the bodyguard panic as his face turned pale immediately. It was only then did he realize that his entire body was frozen stiff. He could not even move his pinkie. This felt odd to him and he wondered just how Dianne managed to pull that off.

This is insane! How can I even fight her? Wait, no. I'm not even worthy of being her opponent. The difference in power is just too great! So much so that it's completely on a different playing field! Her power has basically eclipsed mine completely!

As soon as the bodyguard realized that, he heard Harry's furious and panicked voice saying, "What is wrong with you! Can't you see that she's closing in on me? Hurry up and murder her for me!"

It was only then did he snap out of his trance. However, Dianne was already in front of Harry. The dagger had an ominous red glow and it seemed as if it had been fed countless pints of human blood.

When Harry noticed the dagger in Dianne's hand, he backed away immediately while gulping nervously. The women next to him were all terrified at such a violent scene.

As soon as the bodyguard noticed what was going on, he had no choice but to save Harry despite knowing the vast difference in their power. So, he focused all of his strength to his right arm while charging at Dianne. The cleaver seemed sentient as it emanated a dull hum when it was approaching Dianne.

No normal people could avoid the attack. Even if they could, they would be poisoned. However, Dianne was too powerful, so the bodyguard was forced to use his most powerful attack. He decided to try even though it would be futile. This attack would determine if he would live or die. So, he charged at Dianne with all his might.

However, he did not expect that his cleaver was not even able to get close to Dianne. It seemed as if he had been struck by an invisible force.

So, with a loud thud, he was sent flying immediately... before another loud crash could be heard. He had struck the TV behind him. However, the wall behind the TV had also dented inward before cracks began to form around the dent as cracking sounds could be heard coming from all around the room. It felt as if the entire building would collapse.

One could imagine just how powerful that attack was. When the bodyguard's body slumped on the ground, all that was left of him was nothing more than a bloody mess.

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The bodyguard coughed out some blood before slumping over as his breaths were becoming shallower. It was obvious that after such a heavy impact, every bone in his body would have been completely shattered.

"He... He's dead?"

Everything happened way too quickly that Harry was unable to even react to it. He knew that no one in his family would even come close to being a threat to Dianne. Dianne was way too terrifying to him.

"Stay... Stay back..." Harry took a couple more steps backward while his body trembled when he noticed the dagger in her hand. If he was not cornered then, he would have already ran out of the room.

"Sir... compensate them..." The bodyguard suddenly called out to Harry with his weak voice. This single move had fully exhausted all of his life force.

He did not do that out of loyalty. In fact, he was terrified of Dianne. He had never encountered anyone that powerful before. He clearly knew just how easy it would be for Dianne to murder Harry.

If Harry wanted to live, the only hope out of this was to convince Skylar to change his mind. So, this somehow had snapped Harry out of his trance.

So, he knelt down in front of Dianne and pleaded, "Please spare me... Please... I'll compensate you!"

"Sir?" Dianne turned around and waited for Skylar's command.

Skylar waved his hands around. After Dianne understood what he meant, she kept the dagger away before retreating to a side, waiting for Skylar to make his statement.

"You should really know to keep your promises," Skylar left with the others immediately after that.

Yulia could not help but ask Skylar when they were in the elevator. "Say, aren't you afraid of Harry flaking on the bill?"

"Flaking on the bill?" Skylar laughed and said, "The only people in the entire country, no, the entire world, who can flake on my bill would be you and Lola."

"Gosh, why is it me again! Gosh, you're saying as if I flake on bills all the time!" Yulia blushed.

All she did was ask a question, she never expected Skylar to flirt with her like that. Suddenly, Skylar recalled something and said, "Say Yulia, I want to bring you along to Troiz County in the next two days. Could you make some time for it?"

"Huh? You want me to have a market survey there?" Yulia asked.

Skylar nodded and said, "I have some connections there. Let me take you along, so things would be better for you in the future. You won't have any problems opening a branch office in Troiz County and the other states soon."

Yulia nodded immediately after hearing that.

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Although she had connections in the capital, if she wanted to promote their anti-blemish cream across the country, she knew that they needed every connection they could call upon.

"Let's head out tomorrow then. I'll tell Lola and Valerie later," replied Yulia.

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After returning home in the evening, Skylar explained to Lola for a long time, telling her that he and Yulia were going on a business trip.

At first, Lola tearfully begged to go with them, but eventually, she calmed down. Besides, Valerie coincidentally finished her photoshoot and promised to teach her a new song the next day, making Lola happy.

Before they left, Skylar also arranged for Dianne to stay at the hillside villa to protect Lola and Valerie. He then went with Yulia to board the high-speed railway headed to Troitz county.

Not long after boarding the train, Skylar whispered to Yulia when a surprised female voice was heard from the side.

"Y-Yulia Sue?"

Skylar and Yulia immediately looked in the direction of the voice and saw a couple around their age sitting across the aisle.

The one who spoke was the woman.

"Gladys Thatcher?"

Yulia immediately recognized her.

She was her college classmate.

"It's really you! I thought I'd mistaken you for someone else!"

Gladys smiled and looked Yulia up and down.

Before Yulia could reply, Gladys took the arm of the man next to her and introduced herself, "This is my fiancé, Franco Sivan. His parents own a huge factory in Troitz county, and we're returning to visit."

Gladys had a proud expression as she spoke.

On the surface, she looked like she was introducing her fiancé, but she was showing off to Yulia.

Then, she turned her gaze to Skylar, sitting next to Yulia, and asked, "Is this... your boyfriend or your husband? Is he also from Cloudtopia? What does he work as?"

Although Yulia felt somewhat annoyed by Gladys's bombardment of questions, she politely replied, "This is my husband, Skylar Stone. He is now..."

Regarding Skylar's occupation, Yulia struggled to find the right words to describe it.

After all, Skylar's abilities could not be easily summarized.

Seeing Yulia struggling, Skylar quickly interjected, "I was in the military for six years, and I'm still on active duty."

Upon hearing this, Gladys and Franco immediately smiled mockingly.

Gladys had thought that, even if Yulia gave birth to a daughter before marriage, with her stunning appearance, she could easily marry an heir of a wealthy family.

If that were the case, she could chat with her to expand her connections for the future.

To her surprise, Skylar was a mere soldier, even in the military for six years.

Seeing Yulia's hesitation, her husband probably didn't even manage to get a star from the army.

A poor soldier.

When she thought of this, Gladys, somewhat insincerely, said, "So he's a soldier! Back in our school days, all the girls wanted to marry a soldier, but Yulia has fulfilled our dream of being a military wife."

Suddenly, Gladys changed the topic with worrisome eyes. "Yulia, I heard that veterans are struggling to get a job these days, and even becoming a security guard requires many selection rounds. Do you want me to ask my fiancé to arrange a job for him in his family's factory?"

Till the end, Gladys' face could not hide her proud look.