## **Chapter 1000 Do Not Doubt My Determination**

Anthony stared at Thalia for a full minute.

A myriad of complex emotions and thoughts ran through his mind. Yet, in the end, he did not say a word.

Because deep down, he knew that Thalia meant well for him.

Suppressing the surge of anger welling up in his heart, Anthony withdrew his gaze and lowered his head. "What did Kyle say?"

"Hmm..." Thalia was organizing her thoughts. After a moment, she spoke, "Nothing."

Upon hearing that, Anthony lifted his gaze toward the window.

Thalia glanced at him, then continued, "Regarding this matter, Kyle has been unable to accept it initially. Later on, he understands the whole process."

"So, what happened next?" Anthony asked.

"What do you mean?" Thalia asked.

"So, is that all?" Anthony asked.

Thalia looked at him. "What outcome do you desire?"

"It's not about what outcome I want... But rather, what decision they will make," Anthony said calmly. His palm-sized face carried an indescribable maturity as if he could accept and understand whatever decision Kyle made.

After listening for a moment, Thalia finally understood his thoughts. A slight smile appeared at the corner of her mouth. "Still thinking about quitting?"

Anthony remained silent.

"Just give up on that idea. Kyle will never agree," said Thalia.

"Why?" he asked.

"What do you think?" Thalia retorted. "With your skills, don't you have a clue? If you withdraw, it's like releasing a tiger back into the mountains. No matter which organization you join, you will inevitably become his number one enemy. Then, they will have to go to great lengths to find me to kill you. Tell me. Why would he bother? Would he really do that?"

Upon hearing that, Anthony's eyebrows furrowed. He found himself entangled in this matter that he had not given much thought to.

Chances were Kyle would not allow that to happen.

His eyes narrowed slightly as Anthony pondered something.

At that moment, Thalia turned her head to glance at him. "You and Benjamin are the future of Darknetz. I can tell that Kyle is very excited, so I believe there's still room for maneuver in this matter. However, as for how to solve it, we still need to give him some time. He will come up with a solution."

"I don't want to put him in a difficult situation."

"It's better that he is. When faced with two evils, choose the lesser one. He's not stupid!" said Thalia.

Anthony heaved a deep sigh as he listened. His gaze drifted toward outside, and his eyes were filled with an indescribable hesitation and difficulty.

Thalia turned to glance at him with a restrained gaze before asking, "Or are you saying, you want to quit Darknetz? You're going to use this incident as an opportunity to leave?"

Upon hearing her questions, Anthony turned his head toward her. "What nonsense are you talking about?"

"Isn't that so?" Thalia raised an eyebrow.

"The reason I wanted to quit before was because of Nat. If it weren't for that, I would never have considered leaving. I admit that when I first joined Darknetz, it was like a game to me. But after spending a year or two together, do you really think I'm heartless enough to just quit? Are you serious?" Anthony asked anxiously.

Listening, Thalia curled her lips up slightly. "Who knows?"

"Don't you know, even if others don't?" Anthony retorted.

"What's really going on in that mind of yours? You've had me going in circles since the day we met. How am I supposed to know what you're truly thinking?" Thalia retorted.

Anthony looked at her. He wanted to get angry, but after a moment of thought, he forcefully suppressed it.

He glanced at her and struggled to suppress the anger in his heart. "You can question my character, but you cannot question my commitment to Darknetz." He added in a murmur, "Since I joined Darknetz, I've truly considered it a place where I can realize my dreams in the future. If it weren't for this incident, I would never have had such a thought." He spoke word by word, but his passion for Darknetz was palpable.

Listening to him, Thalia could not help but lift the corners of her mouth. "Who would have thought, compared to Darknetz, your character is so fragile?"

"Yes, so don't question me!" Anthony told her, emphasizing each word.

Thalia burst into laughter. "Since you've said it like this, I definitely won't question it."

Anthony remained silent. His gaze was fixed directly out the window.

It was clear that he was displeased.

Thalia turned to glance at him. "Alright, I was just joking. Why are you not amused?"

"No!" Anthony said sulkily.

"Alright, no need to rush. Let's talk about something serious!" Thalia began.

Anthony continued to gaze out the window and remained silent.

Thalia knew he was listening, so she spoke directly. "I've also told Kyle about Benjamin's situation. He wants to find some time to have a good talk with you and Benjamin. When will be a convenient time for you?"

Speaking of which, it was only then that Anthony turned his head to look at her.

"Seriously, I'm not joking!" said Thalia.

Anthony let out a sigh. "I'm always available. As for Benjamin, you'll have to ask him!"

"Sure!" Thalia nodded. "When I get back, I'll ask him directly."

Anthony nodded.

"There's something else..." Thalia looked at him.

"Just get to the point."

Thalia did not beat around the bush and asked directly, "Nat is planning to take your daddy back

home soon. What are you two... planning to do?"

Speaking of which, Anthony's eyebrows furrowed.

"The original plan was for you to come with me once everything was over, but now... I think there's been a change of heart," Thalia said while glancing at him. That was something anyone would find hard to accept, not only him.

Anthony's eyebrows furrowed, and his palm-sized face showed an indescribable peculiarity. After a long silence, he finally spoke slowly. "Now that Daddy has become like this, I can't be at ease if Benjamin and I just leave .... "

"I understand," Thalia nodded. "But this matter still needs time. The new group of people have been waiting for you since they arrived. We can't just let them wait forever, can we?"

Anthony frowned. "I really don't know..."

"Don't take this the wrong way," Thalia asked, "But if your daddy continues to be like this, are you planning to just give up and not go?"

Anthony was taken aback. He had never really thought about this matter before.

It's not that I haven't thought about it. It's that I dare not to.

"I don't know..." Anthony shook his head. "My mind is a mess right now. I really haven't thought about those things."

"Okay!" Thalia nodded. She understood that this matter truly could not be forced.

She had no relatives, yet she yearned for familial love, let alone Anthony. In his life, Natasha was the most important person.

Having him let go and follow her was indeed somewhat unrealistic.

"I see. In that case, let's have the newly arrived children undergo training first. Is that all right?"

Anthony nodded. "Sure."

"Alright, I'll make the arrangements first. As for you..." Thalia looked at him. "If all else fails, I'll personally train you guys."