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With such a small hole, even if gold ore was found, mining was impossible.

They wouldn't even recoup the cost,

Let alone cover the equipment's fuel expenses.

Therefore, the interrogation team unanimously concluded that Kikuchi Kohei was lying and hiding his true purpose.

So, they began to interrogate the other research team members one by one.

They tried every interrogation method imaginable,

But failed to get them to talk.

These people were even less capable than Kikuchi Kohei.

At least Kikuchi Kohei could fabricate a lie to insult their intelligence.

The other research team members simply refused to speak.

In their subconscious, they thought,

"You can kill me or torture me,"

"I certainly won't reveal my true identity."

This is the powerful effect of psychological suggestion.

It can make people abandon everything else and only regard the content of psychological suggestion as gospel.

Immediately afterwards, the US Navy SEALs assembled at McMurdo Station.

Modified military transport planes landed above the ice sheet,

And the soldiers immediately boarded, heading to the Japanese research station.

Goro Watanabe requested to travel to Showa Station with his own surrender-persuasion team on the transport plane,

But he was refused by the American commander.

He told Watanabe, "We have now taken full control of this incident."

"You are only allowed to stay at McMurdo Station and are not permitted to interfere."

"Our personnel will take full control of the Showa Station."

Watanabe was furious and questioned,

"Why?!"

"This is our own matter."

"Our people, our research station, our staff are here."

"Why are we not allowed to interfere?"

The commander retorted, "Since it's your own matter, why did you request support from us?"

"Don't forget, we sent transport planes, armored vehicles, and SEAL teams for this."

"It's only natural that we take over."

"Allowing you to stay at McMurdo Station is already a special favor."

"Otherwise, we would have sent you back to our base immediately."

"So you could go home directly from there!"

Watanabe was speechless with frustration.

What kind of nonsense was this?

He wasn't even allowed to interfere in his own affairs.

The key issue was this commander's overbearing attitude.

He was in Antarctica, not an illegal immigrant in the US,

And these American soldiers weren't ICE personnel.

Why were they treating him like this?

He was indignant and contacted his superior via satellite phone.

His superior was also furious upon hearing this.

The nation's honor was about to be tarnished.

He told Watanabe Goro,

"I will immediately request the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to lodge a protest with the United States."

"You must hold on a little longer."

"This matter cannot be allowed to be completely taken over by the United States!"

Watanabe Goro said, "They are already assembling the Marines."

"They plan to arrest everyone at Showa Station and bring them here."

"I can't stop them at all!"

"This is outrageous!"

His superior said angrily.

"They are going too far!"

"I will protest to the Cabinet immediately."

"We cannot allow them to take over our research station unilaterally!"

Watanabe Goro said,

"Then I await your good news."

Just as he finished speaking,

Watanabe Goro suddenly heard someone shout,

"Call the doctor!"

"Kikuchi has hanged himself!"