



### 340: The Crucial Lead

It's likely that Dustin had anticipated James might betray him one day when he adopted him, which is why Dustin placed limits on James from the very beginning. James didn't hold a high rank in The Silent Order, and the truly critical secrets of the organization were not shared with him. Kairos, Ryuji, Sable, and Xian were the true trusted subordinates of Dustin, and they held the key information.

Kairos was not going to give up the information willingly, so Sebastian had to resort to force.

With a brutal punch to Kairos' abdomen, Kairos screamed out in agony, "Ahh—!"

After Sebastian's relentless assault, Kairos finally revealed the key information.

"Departure City... Departure City... F&I Company..."

Sebastian now understood. The Silent Order's covert connection point was F&I Company in Departure City.

With this valuable lead, Sebastian finally let go of Kairos, removed his bloodstained gloves, and walked out of the interrogation room.

To the officers outside, he gave a stern instruction, "Keep an eye on him! Make sure he doesn't commit suicide!"

"Understood!"

As he was about to leave the police station, he happened to run into Felix, who had just returned from his duties.

Felix was in a noticeably colder mood than before, probably due to his



recent separation from his wife.

"Felix."

"Mr. Vanderbilt, have you finished the interrogation?"

"Mm."

Felix knew why Sebastian was at the police station, greeted him, and invited him to sit in his office.

After Sebastian sat down, Felix made tea for him. Sebastian politely said, "No need to trouble yourself. Have you sorted things out at home?"

"It's... the same."

Felix appeared fatigued and didn't want to talk about his family issues. Since the incident at the cruise banquet, he and his wife had been in a cold war, with no reconciliation in sight.

"You and your wife have gotten to this point mainly because of Caitlin. She came up with a plan to help improve your family situation. I wonder how you feel about it?"

"Caitlin has a plan?"

Felix didn't want a divorce. A broken family was not what he wanted, but his wife's unreasonable behavior had him at his wit's end. If she could change, he would be more than willing to keep the family together.

"Yeah, do you remember the BH 50th anniversary gala at your father-in-law's house? Caitlin was pointed out by Master Han as the 'Purple-robed Noble,' and it made Mr. Fowler see her in a different light?"

Felix's expression shifted, and he soon realized what had happened. "So,



does this mean..."

Now it made sense why Master Han had specifically mentioned that the 'Purple-robed Noble' would help him avoid disaster. Everything had been Caitlin's careful planning!

Looking back, Felix had to admire Caitlin's wisdom.

"I understand now. If Caitlin can help me with this, I'd be extremely grateful."

Sebastian stood up. "Three days from now, The Vanderbilt Family will be hosting an event at Cloudtop Resort. You should bring your wife and kids along."

"Got it. I'll be there."

Felix trusted Caitlin and Sebastian, hoping for a perfect plan that would change his wife.

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The latest financial news made headlines with the announcement that Sebastian had been appointed as the new global CEO of KM International Group.

This news caused a lot of discussion and attention. With Sebastian officially taking over the operations of The Vanderbilt Family's conglomerate, his leadership was now recognized.

With the publication of this news, it was also revealed that The Vanderbilt Family would be hosting a global CEO transition ceremony at Cloudtop Resort in three days. It was said that many business elites and upper-class families would attend, and the event was expected to be a grand affair.



As Sebastian prepared for the ceremony, Caitlin focused on planning for Felix and his wife.

Meanwhile, news from s-country reached them. Quincy and Faith had found Zinnia in the hospital after she was admitted. Zinnia was out of danger but still recovering from the injuries she had sustained. She revealed that she had been kicked out of Shadow Moon Pavilion, and the injuries she had were from the leader, Zorro.

"I understand. Take good care of her, and when she's well enough, bring her to the US."

Caitlin had made the arrangements. Since Zinnia had been injured for helping her and was now suspected of being a traitor, Caitlin knew she owed her a debt. She had to repay that kindness.

The next few days, Caitlin focused on recovering, and with Sebastian's care, she was pampered to the point that she could hardly take care of herself.

Although Sebastian didn't want Caitlin to worry about the outside world, she still saw the news about the attack.

After learning that The Silent Order had tried to assassinate her brother, Caitlin asked anxiously, "Is Harrison okay?"

"He's fine. Kairos has been caught. Don't worry. I've handled everything."

Sebastian shared the details from the interrogation of Kairos, and Caitlin furrowed her brows. "So, you mean, they have a contact company in Departure City?"

"It's not just a company; it's actually an underground bank. I've already



sent people to investigate.”

“An underground bank? Does this mean The Silent Order has connections abroad?”

Underground banks are typically involved in illegal money laundering and similar activities, so it seemed The Silent Order might be involved in a larger network.

“We won't know until we investigate thoroughly. Don't worry about it. Focus on recovering and get ready for my transition ceremony.”

“I understand. I'm almost better now.”

Sebastian gazed into her beautiful eyes, pulling her into an embrace. “So you mean, I can do whatever I want now?”

“That's not what I meant. Be serious!”

“When I'm with you, I don't want to be a serious man. I just want to be the bad man who teases you.”

Sebastian kissed her, demanding a passionate and sweet kiss first.

Just as they were in the middle of a heated kiss, the phone rang, interrupting them.

Caitlin blushed slightly as she pushed him away. “Answer the phone first!”

“I'll see who's so thoughtless to call at a time like this!”

Sebastian grumbled as he pulled out his phone. Seeing it was “Xavi,” he immediately understood.



Xavi was always a little thick-headed. This was nothing new.

"Hello? Xavi?"

"Mr. Vanderbilt, Teresa is dead!"

"What?"

Sebastian frowned when he heard this. "Alright, I understand. I'll be right there."

"What happened?" Caitlin asked.

"Teresa is dead. I'm going to check it out."

"Okay."

Caitlin was shocked to hear this news. Teresa was dead? Was it suicide or murder?

At the hospital, the floor where the incident happened was sealed off. Felix had arrived with his team, and Medical Examiner Eric was examining the body.

Sebastian arrived shortly afterward and met Felix at the door to the hospital room. "Felix, how is it going?"

"The medical examiner is still investigating."

Standing outside the room, Sebastian saw Teresa lying on the bed. Her arm hung down, and there was a deep cut on her wrist, with blood all over the floor.

Eric and another officer were gathering evidence at the scene. Once they finished, Felix asked, "What's the situation? Is it suicide?"