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"| think Kaze has been pretty tolerant with us in the past," Rudy said, his lips quivering. Master Quint and the former Quints turned ashen without a word.

They were startled by Kaze's aggression and heartlessness.

Compared to what Yume and her minions experienced, Kaze had been more than kind. toward them.

"Call the emergency line now. Get Ms. Vinland to the hospital. Hudson is going to blow up when he learns what happened to his daughter."

Master Quint sighed. "Kaze is a bastard. He is putting Hector and the others in danger."

Everybody was horrified.

Before, the former Quints would gloat about the misfortune of Hector's family.

That was the last thing on their minds now.

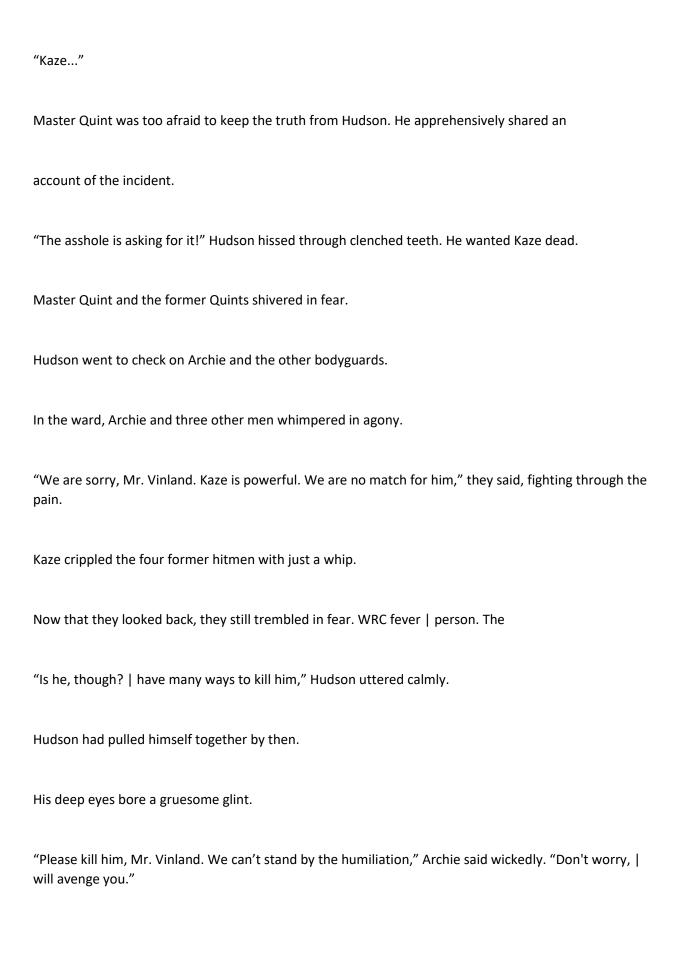
They felt uneasy.

Only God knew whether Hudson would put the former Quints down when taking revenge on Darcy's family. Yume and the others were admitted to the hospital.

Close to ten of them were covered in blood and broken flesh.

The individuals with the most severe injuries were the bodyguards with broken legs and Yume who found herself on the worst end of the whip.

Even the medical personnel, who had seen all kinds of wounds, were appalled by the extent of their injuries. The incident happened in broad daylight, so word was bound to get out.
Soon, the upper society of Lilyrose was talking about it.
Anyone who heard the story would gasp sharply.
"Darcy's dimwit husband sure is ruthless.   can't believe he gave the Vinlands' little princess
a whipping in public. She was barely breathing when he was done."
"The lesson of the story is not to mess with Darcy. The fool would do anything for her.
"But surely, Hudson will make him pay for ruining his daughter. The guy is well known for his brutality." Many kept an eye on Hudson for his response.
Meanwhile, Hudson was in the hospital.
He was out for blood, his veins bulging when he saw his daughter unconscious and in a sorry
state.
"Who did this to her?"
He cocked his head back and stared intently at Master Quint.
Hudson's chilling eyes pierced through Master Quint.



Hudson glanced at the four broken legs and frowned.
These four men had been loyal to him for years. He wanted to treat their legs.
Hudson turned to his go-to man. "Alfred, check where Professor Whiteman is now.
"Mr. Vinland, Professor Whiteman is away, performing surgery. He should be back to Lilyrese be staying in the city permanently to treat Hector," Albert said with a nod.
Hudson waved his arm. "When Professor Whiteman gets back, send him to treat instead! can forget about getting treatment. He can stay crippled for all
Chapter 762 Either Pay up or Die
"Alright."
Albert promised to make it happen before saying, "How do you plan to deal with Kaze, Mr. Vinland?" "Don't use that word. The asshole isn't worth my time dealing with."
Hudson scoffed and said maliciously, "He cares a lot about his wife. Let's start with Darcy then. Give Dane a call. Dallas Moneylender can pave the way.   want her assets, but   will make the game long and hard for her.
"  don't care whether the idiot is a psycho or not.   want to drive him mad."
It did not seem to Hudson that Kaze was mentally ill. The mental illness was more like a for him to act recklessly.
cover-up

Hudson definitely had a keen eye. The injured security officers working for Quartet Group were admitted to the hospital. Business resumed as usual at the organization. A group then walked in, demanding to see Darcy. The leader of the group was a grizzle—haired man. He was Dane from Dallas Moneylender. "Ms. Quint isn't in her office. I'm her assistant. Is there anything | can help you with?" Riley went to the lobby to meet the group upon receiving the message from the front desk. "We are from the local branch of Dallas Moneylender. Please tell your chairwoman to return us the twobillion—dollar funding the company applied for," Dane said while enjoying a drink in the reception area. As her eyes widened, Riley said angrily, "Our chairwoman applied for funding from the government. Why should we give you the money?" Smack! An individual beside Dane slapped Riley in the face. The blow was so hard and heavy that Riley was bleeding on the lips. "Bitch! Who do you think you are? How dare you speak to Mr. Rich in such a manner?" the Individual said with a scoff. With a blank face, Dane said indifferently, "Why? It's because we're from Dallas Moneylender. Tell your chairwoman not to hold onto money that doesn't belong to her. She might just get burned and then

Putting her hand over her swollen cheek, Riley looked at him in horror.

some."

In other words, Dallas Moneylender was making them choose between money and blood. Dane stood up, brushing the dust off his sleeves before walking out.

"Either pay up or die by tomorrow morning," Dane said and left without looking back.

The group from Dallas Moneylender did not just stop with intimidation at Quartet Group. They even put the word out in the underworld.

It quickly became known that Dallas Moneylender was out to get Quartet Group. Many simply offered Quartet Group and Darcy's family a moment of silence.

"Dallas Moneylender reigns supreme in the underworld. Nobody knows the extent of their influence and connection. Quartet Group is done for."

"Yeah. | never heard of anybody not paying their debts to Dallas Moneylender. "| heard of some cases before, but these people are long gone now."

Many believed Darcy would give in and cough up the two billion dollars.

Even if Darcy had to beg, borrow, or steal, she would pay up.

Some insiders speculated that Hudson had me Kaze nearly

his daughter to death. The

No one expected Hudson's revenge to come so soon. Besides, he sent Dallas Moneylender to do his bidding instead.

"That's the power of a prominent family. Even the top three f rpilies, could ngt sgek weloxrdrh Dallas Mariéylender before," many lamented. The

The public gained further insight into the extent of reach families held. The

Chapter 763 Dallas Moneylender Isn't a Threat

"Ms. Quint, Mr. Rich warned that you might get burned and then some."

Dallas Moneylender's trip to Quartet Group was quite a buzz among the community.

Riley rushed to Horizon Mirror Mansion right away to convey the message from Dane.

"They said they expect us to either pay up or die by tomorrow."

Darcy's family gathered around Riley as their hearts sank.

Even though Riley communicated Dane's words weepily, the family could read the murderous intent in the message. It was hard to imagine how intimidating Dane was when he spoke.

In truth, Quartet Group had ceased operation right away. All employees left the office and went home. They were afraid to get involved and get themselves killed.

"Two days ago, Dallas Moneylender backed Master Quint and the others into a corner until they had to change their last name and hand over Quintessential Group to Hudson."

Agnes turned as white as a sheet. It was not a secret that Dallas Moneylender had been on the former Quints' ass before. Even Agnes heard about it.

Hector murmured, "When | oversaw Quintessential ten years ago, some of my friends in the same industry couldn't make a timely payment to Dallas Moneylender, and they just disappeared overnight.

"The whole family was gone, just like that. These monsters didn't even spare children. Since then, no one would dare owe them any money."

Hector was seldom ruffled. Yet now, he was rather triggered.

"But the God of War set up the supporting fund to boost the city's economy. The money didn't come from Dallas Moneylender, so why are they expecting me to pay them back? They are even seeking 100 million dollars in interest. They should just rob a bank," Darcy uttered angrily.

She was not happy to hand over the money to Dallas Moneylender.

Besides, Quartet Group had limited disposal funds in the corporate account.

The only option was to get a loan.

"No point talking now. Lives are at stake if Dallas Moneylender doesn't get their money."

Agnes wept in panic. "It's the God of War's fault. Why did he have to set up a support fund? It has given us nothing but trouble." No one saw it coming.

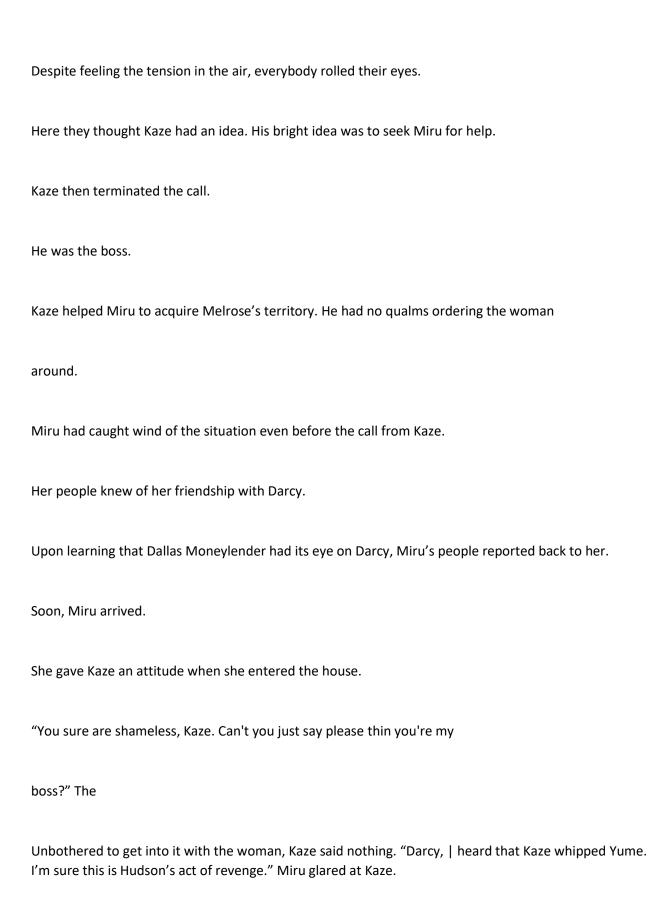
When Darcy applied and was approved for government funding, Agnes was the happiest in the family.

"Sky, use the cream | gave you on Riley's face."

Kaze patted Sky's shoulder and told Darcy, "Don't worry, babe. It's an easy fix. You won't have to fork out any money." "Can you sort Dallas Moneylender out, Kaze?"

The entire family stared at Kaze. They were surprised as Kaze acted like it was no big deal.

Kaze nodded and pulled out his phone to make a call. "You must have heard about Dallas Moneylender, Miru. Come to Horizon Mirror Mansion now."



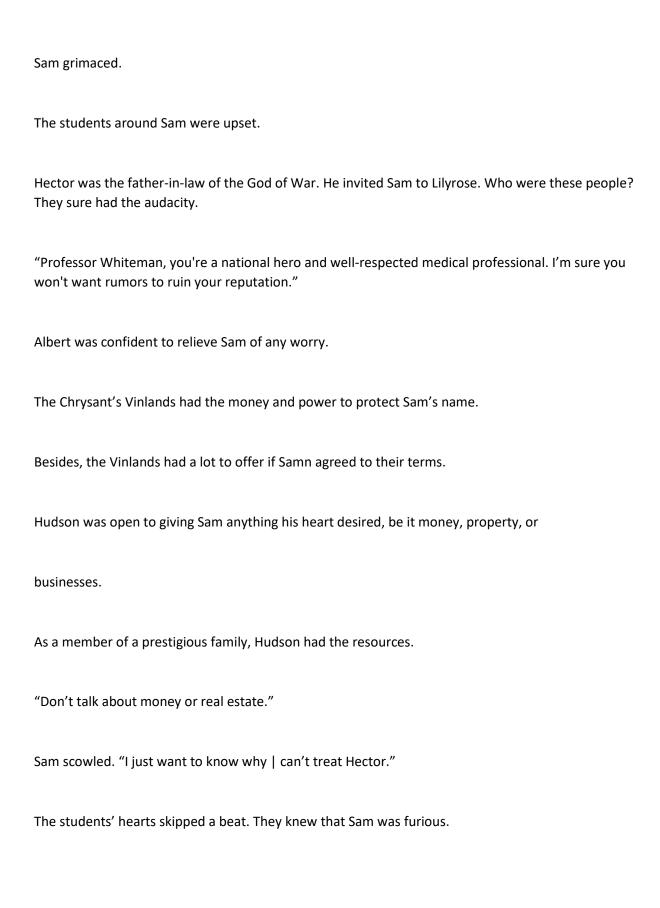
Once again, Kaze upset one of the untouchables, things out. The
Kaze even took things for granted and came to Miru for help as if she owed him. "The Vinlands are scary. Even Dallas Moneylender answers to them."
Agnes went pale.
She wanted to give Kaze a piece of her mind but decided against it.
If Kaze did not make it to Darcy in time, she would be the one beaten half dead. "Don't worry."
Miru said confidently, "Dallas Moneylender Watch." The
Chapter 764 Good Job
"Put the word out that Darcy is my best friend, Dallas Moneylender has to go through me if they want to have a say in the city." Miru called her subordinate in front of everybody.
She wanted to send a message across the board.
The tone of the communication was cocky and aggressive.
Since taking over Melrose, Miru had been on a different level.
She carried weight when issuing an order. Her behavior was much like an underground kingpin.
Darcy's family would fear Miru if the latter were not close to Darcy.

Soon, Lefteria Group spread Miru's message to the underworld.
All eyes were on Dallas Moneylender for a response.
Lefteria Group was the Lilyrose and Melrose underworld kingpin.
On the other hand, Dallas Moneylender's roots ran deep in organized crime.
Sparks were bound to fly between both parties.
Despite the long wait, Dallas Moneylender made no comment.
Members of Dallas Moneylender kept to themselves throughout. Their passive reaction raised many eyebrows.
"Miru of Lefteria Group is really rising in power ever since she has Melrose in the bag. Even Dallas Moneylender thinks twice before crossing her."
"Miru is in her prime.   guess Dallas Moneylender just wants to keep their heads down." "Darcy is lucky to have a friend in Miru. One word from Miru was all it took to resolve the issue with Dallas Moneylender." Many expressed their admiration toward Miru.
Miru was badass because Dallas Moneylender had nothing on her.
"Thank you, Miru, for taking care of Dallas Moneylender. We can now relax.
Darcy's family was thrilled to hear the news.
The potential life threat was ironed out, and that was the end of the matter.

"Don't mention it. Darcy and   are friends. It's the least   can do."
Miru patted Kaze's shoulder. "See that? You should be solving problems, not causing them. "Before you do anything, please think whether you can take the heat and the fall."
She told Kaze off condescendingly.
Feeling glad, Kaze said with a smile, "Good job. You didn't let me down."
"Seriously, Kaze?"
Miru saw red. She wanted nothing more than to slap Kaze. Kaze was a bastard to talk to her as if he was the boss. Agnes a
and the others came down hard on Kaze.
It was all thanks to Miru that they managed to dodge a bullet.
Kaze did nothing but make the phone call to Miru.
"Stay for dinner, Miru. Kaze, pick Professor Whiteman up at the hospital. He's back in the city."
Since Miru could not stand Kaze, Agnes sent him off to pick Sam up.
Kaze took the car out.
At the orthopedic hospital, Sam and his students returned from their trip and checked on their patients without stopping for a break.
"May   speak to Professor Whiteman?"







Albert frowned.
Nevertheless, Albert assumed Sam was angry and insulted by the money thrown at him.
"You are a well-respected man, Professor Whiteman.   should've known better. That was shallow of me."
Albert apologized and said, "Since you asked why, I'll just be honest. Hector's son-in-law got into it with the bodyguards." "Are you talking about Kaze?"
Sam was surprised. He put down the CT scans and was less enthusiastic about treating Archie and his companions.
"Oh, you know him too, Professor Whiteman."
Albert did not notice Sam's changed attitude. In fact, he waspototiibtls ag te\why Saif knew Kaze. The
Sam probably met Kaze during a consultation with Hector. "That's right. That's him."
Albert nodded. "You have no idea how heinous the man is, White de break their own legs in front of the public on the street. The
"The cocky man has no respect for the law. His wife is no Mother Theresa either. has ore dies a bad name in the city. Are you going to take the risk to treat Kaze's father-in-law?" The
Albert made a grief-stricken face.
The individuals behind Albert were impressed. Albert was a good actor.

His words should sway Sam, who was obsessed with fame and recognition. "Are you done?"  $\,$ 

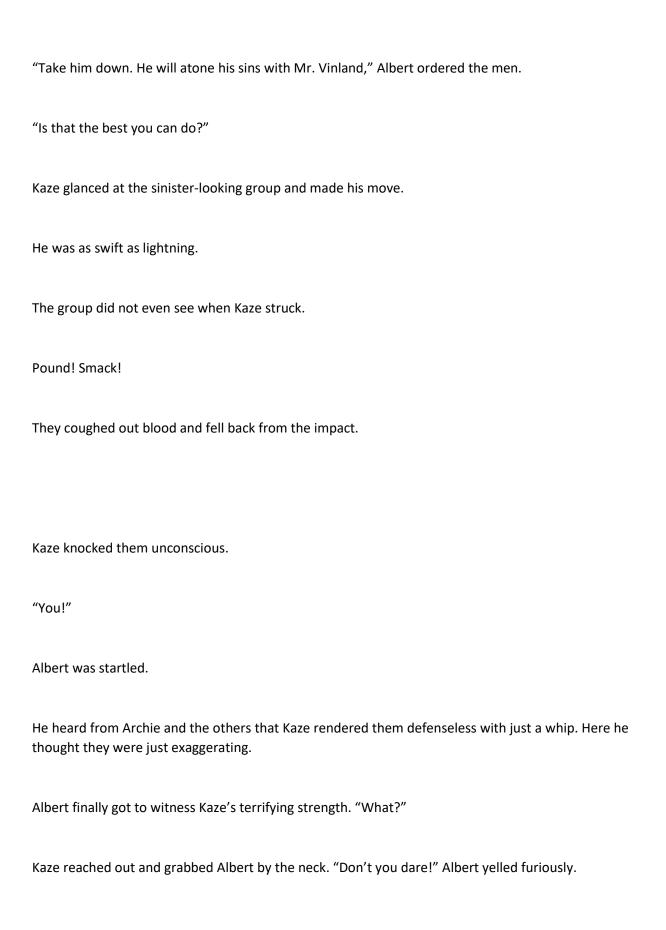
However, they were surprised by Sam's composure.
Sam was not at all outraged as they had imagined.
He looked at Albert with indifference as if the latter was an idiot.
"Are you done? If you are, you can leave now. Take these cripples with you too."
Chapter 766 The Vinlands Are the Law
"Uh, Professor Whiteman, what's the meaning of this?"
The expression on Albert's face froze.
Albert was confused as his heartfelt speech did not sway Sam.
Sam scoffed. "Don't you know that Kaze invited me to Lilyrose?   know him better than you." Albert wanted to sink into the floor at that very moment. His face was flushed as if someone had struck him.
He had put a lot of effort into the act. Yet, he was made a clown instead.
Sam said that Kaze invited him to Lilyrose.
Albert was shocked. It was hard to believe that a loser son-in-law could convince Sam to make a trip to Lilyrose.
"Just leave.   won't treat these patients. Kaze made them break their legs for a reason. I'm sure they deserved it." Sam waved his arm in annoyance.

He did not want any more interactions with Albert.
"Just because you know Kaze, it doesn't give you the right to twist the facts and refuse treatment."
Albert scoffed with a grimace. "National hero and orthopedic authority, my ass. You are a disgrace to the nation." Sam did not say a word. He did not care about the accusation.
Nevertheless, his students were not having it.
"Watch your language, Sir."
"Why are you accusing our mentor?"
The students, both men and women, snapped angry looks at Albert.
Albert glanced at them and slapped a female student in the face.
No one saw Albert pull the punch. He was a black belt, his agility top—notch.
Smack!
Before the female student knew it, she covered her face and fell back.
The other students stopped her from falling.
Sam shouted furiously, "Stop! Why did you hit my student? You said Kaze has no respect for the law.   think you should be talking about yourself."



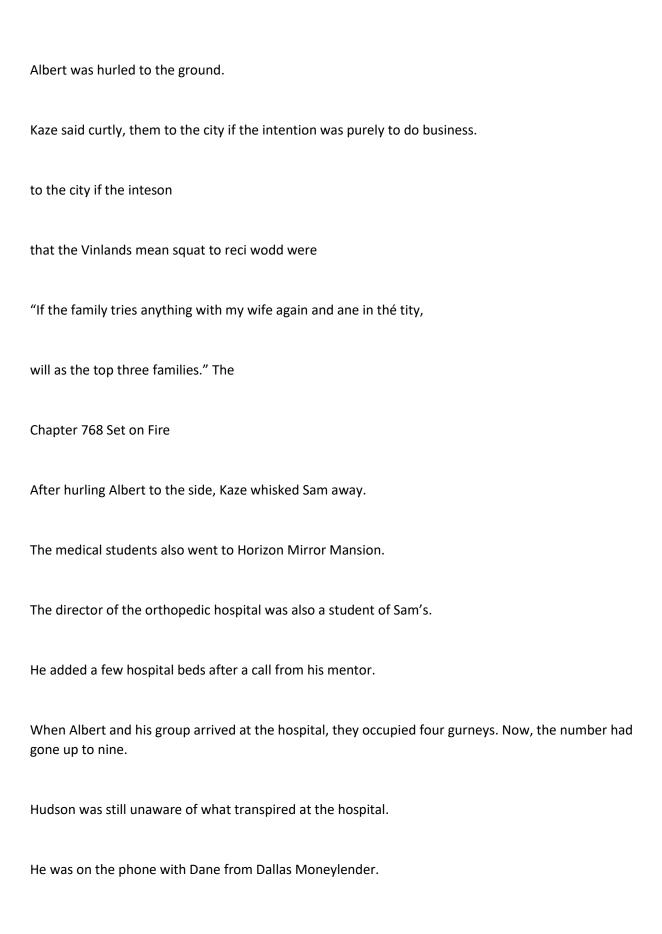


"Did Hudson send you?"
Chapter 767 The Top Three Families Are the Example
"Kaze?"
Albert scowled at the sight of Kaze. "You whipped Ms. Vinland, seriously injuring her. How dare you show your face." He waved his arm.
Several fighters ditched Sam and the students to encircle Kaze.
Without looking at these people, Kaze lamented, "It's a shame that Yume isn't dead yet." Kaze held back when striking Yume. His blows were not fatal.
He only said what he said to get on Albert's nerves.
He had met Albert at the Vinlands' party. Albert stood behind Hudson, carrying himself with kindness and courtesy. Albert finally revealed his true colors. He was a reflection of Hudson's nature.
Sure enough, Albert went ballistic.
He practically raised Yume. He was devoted to the young lady.
He could not believe Kaze humiliated Yume in public repeatedly.
Albert wanted to bury Kaze alive.
He pointed at Kaze angrily and said viciously, "So you did intend to kill Ms. Vinland, Kaze. You have angered Mr. Vinland. No one can save you now.



Trained in the art of self-defense, Albert reached his toes to the ground and slunk back. However, he could not keep up with Kaze's pace.
Kaze's grip never left his throat. He grabbed Albert close.
"Let me go, Kaze.   am Mr. Vinland's trusted confidant. He will make you pay for attacking 1.me.
Albert was scared and angry.
Despite Albert's retaliation, Kaze's tight hold around his neck remained. Albert was horrified.
"I attacked
your master. Why can't   attack you too?"
Kaze slapped him.
Albert cried out in pain. His nose and mouth were covered with blood. Even his teeth were knocked out of his mouth.
"He deserves it!" Sam's students cheered Kaze on.
Albert was arrogant, aggressive, and abusive earlier.
Now, Albert could not even defend himself against Kaze.
"He slapped Eva just now, Kaze."





"You did not respond to Lefteria Group's statement, Mr. Rich. That's unlike you." Hudson pressed unhappy, the phone in hand. Hudson sent Dallas Moneylender on Darcy's family's tail.
He hid behind Dallas Moneylender to ensure Darcy's family faced consequences. Hudson could just stay behind the scenes without lifting a finger.
That was Hudson's favorite approach.
Besides, he knew that Dallas Moneylender was happy to do his bidding.
Dane could not resist the temptation of getting two billion dollars for free.
There was a problem now, though.
Dallas Moneylender did nothing about Miru's snarky assertion.
"Has it occurred to you that you might've spoken too soon?"
On the other end of the line, Dane scoffed and said savagely, "Just wait and see. We talk with facts." "Now that's the man   know."
Hudson put
down the phone with satisfaction.
He grinned.

Just then, a subordinate of his barged into the room.
"Mr. Vinland, we just got word from the hospital that Kaze wounded four bodyguards and broke Albert's leg. He even took Professor Whiteman away."
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The smile on Hudson's face froze.
Drawing a deep breath, Hudson uttered solemnly, "The asshole is getting on my nerves." Despite his emotionless face, his eyes were eerily chilling.
"Where did the asshole take Professor Whiteman?" Hudson asked.
The subordinate replied, "The chauffeur waiting at the hospital entrance spotted and followed them. He watched them enter Skylar View District."
"Steal Professor Whiteman from him," Hudson uttered in an icy tone.
He knew where Darcy's family lived.
"We can't do that, Mr. Vinland. The area is next to the property of Lilyrose Strategic
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Department's chief commander. Darcy's family is also under the protection of the military. "Apparently, twenty assassins were once sent to kill Darcy's family, but they were all executed before making it to the entrance."
Hudson scowled.

He did not expect Darcy's family to be so lucky to live next to the chief commander. "Never mind then. They better pray they never have to leave their home.
"Dallas Moneylender is moving ahead with their plan soon, and Darcy will come begging me. Kaze and Professor Whiteman will be at my mercy."
Hudson was waiting to receive word from Dallas Moneylender.
Kaze brought Sam to Horizon Mirror Mansion, and the agniphad @ \\\ pleasarivianer together. The
Miru stayed for dinner too.
Halfway through dinner, she got a call.
"What?"
Miru grimaced.
Thud!
She slammed her palm on the table and jolted to her feet grimly. "What happened, Miru?" Darcy asked.
The family looked worried too.
Miru always carried a smile.

had never seen her be ore. "One of Lefteria Group's businesses was set on fire. A few of executives were and mari) more injured," Miru said resentfully. The Injury and death were common in the underworld. However, it was atrocious to burn someone alive. "Who did it?" The group's faces were drained of color. Chapter 769 Aggressive Response Miru pulled a long face. Her presence was needed at Lefteria Group She had to take precautions for any possible dynamic shifts in the underworld. It was then Miru received another call from her men. "What? Dallas Moneylender is the arsonist?" She turned ashen. Dallas Moneylender kept their head down and made no response to her bold statement. Here she thought Dallas Moneylender had backed down, and that was the end of the matter.

To her dismay, Dallas Moneylender burned several of Lefteria Group's executives alive. It appeared they responded with a vengeance.

"Miru, Dallas Moneylender openly admitted that they caused the fire. They demand three billion dollars by tomorrow morning. The additional one billion dollars is the punishment for Lefteria Group.

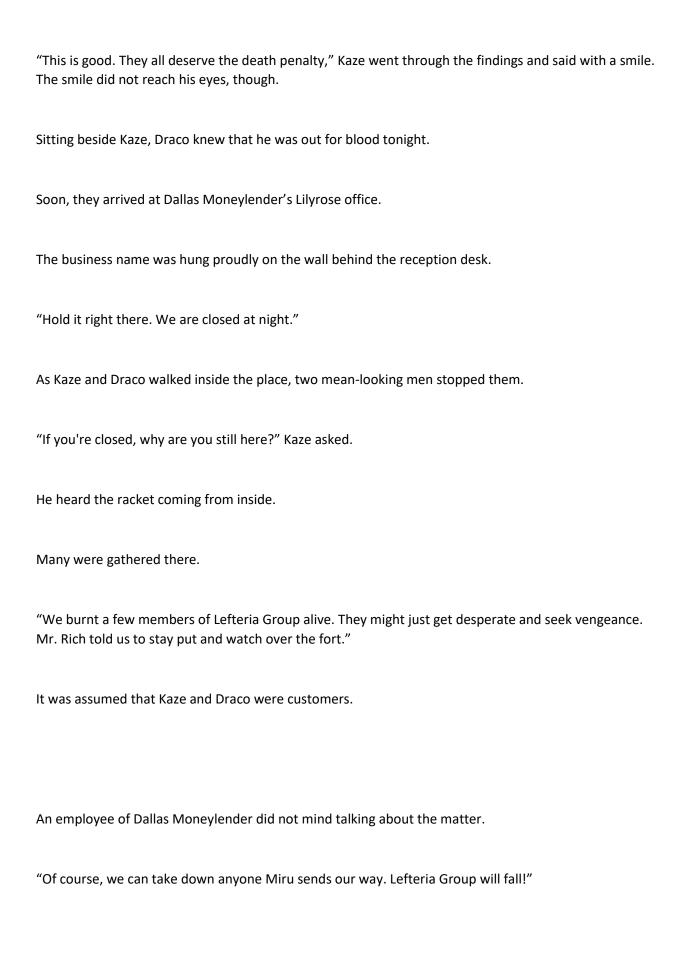
"If they don't see the money, they will make sure Darcy's family gets it.

"One more thing. Dallas Moneylender knows that Darcy's family is neighbors with the chief commander.

"It will not deter Dallas Moneylender from getting what they want unless Darcy's family plans to hide in their home forever." That was the word put out by Dallas Moneylender.
The news took the Lilyrose underworld and prominent families by storm.
Dallas Moneylender was ruthless.
They set members of Lefteria Group on fire. The group was supposed to compensate them one billion dollars too.
Dallas Moneylender was aware that they could not kill in Skylar View District because
Darcy's family lived next to the chief der. Still, they vowed to take the lives of
Darcy's family.
Dallas Moneylender was arrogant. They were cocky.
"Dallas Moneylender has held power in organized crime for generations now. Maybe the chief commander doesn't scare them." Many were in awe.
Dallas Moneylender was a terrifying force.
"It's over for Darcy's family. Even an underground kingpin like Miru can't help them. Skylar View District is a no—-war zone, but they can't stay inside forever."



It was her first look into the brutality of the underworld, Shad
Without a word, Kaze walked out of the villa. He took out his phone and called Snow first.
"Tell Shane to find out where Dallas Moneylender is too, Snow."
The second call was to Draco. Darco was there waiting when Kaze walked out of Skylar View District. Kaze got into the car.
"Come on. It's time to kill."
Chapter 770 Dallas
Shane was efficient at his work.
He had located Dallas Moneylender's base when Kaze got into the car.
"Mr. Lee, the location of Dallas Moneylender's offices is no secret because no one dares to cross them. Their offices all across the country are semi-open to the public."
An illegal money-lending organization was detrimental to financial institutions.
Despite its illicit nature of business, Dallas Moneylender had some public presence.
Their arrogance showed.
After the call, Shane sent Kaze detailed information on the members working in the Lilyrose office of Dallas Moneylender. As the business operation was semi—open, Shane could get ahold of the data rather easily.





The man gave him a strange look before going inside to talk to Dane.
Soon, Kaze and Draco were granted entry.
Many gathered in the room, either playing cards or chatting incgfoups of tworar thide, The
There were close to forty people in the place.
As Kaze and Draco stepped into the place, they looked at Kaze curiously. "Two-thirds of the people here are wanted fugitives," Draco mumbled. These people were clearly hard cases and prone to violence.
Kaze nodded without a word.
"This is Mr. Rich."
The man, who led them inside, brought them to a plump man.
"Darcy sure is quick to get the money."
Dane sized Kaze-up and said with a smile, "Perfect timing. Cpeceived 8) requestito Giv you The
hell." He pointed at the floor.
"You can start with kneeling. The money is by tomorraucmorniiny apywayNwe' Stifthave The
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