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Ryan's expression darkened. He hadn't expected Mia to be so defiant. If they weren't in such a public setting, he would have slapped her by now.

Yet, Mia showed no concern for how her hysterics might doom Ellen Games. She continued rambling about calling the police to arrest Jack.

Finally, a staff member from the banquet hall approached and asked, "Who is it that has snuck into the banquet hall without credentials?"

What a joke. This was a high-level summit attended by industry elites and government officials. The security personnel had to ensure absolute safety.

Before Mia or Thomas could say anything, Ryan-desperate to distance himself— immediately pointed at them and said, "Officer, it's the two of them! They sneaked in to eat and drink for free, and I suspect they were trying to steal something."

Mia and Thomas were completely stunned. They never expected Ryan to throw them under the bus.

After all, they had entered the event as executives of Ellen Games. If Ryan reported them and revoked their credentials, they would be finished.

Sure enough, when the staff checked their identities, discrepancies quickly emerged.

Mia and Thomas were still students, and their credentials were fake.

Previously, no one had bothered verifying them since Ryan had vouched for them. But now that an inspection was underway, the truth was bound to come out.

A security officer's face hardened. "Your credentials are fake. So, did you really sneak in?"

Thomas' and Mia's faces turned pale. Mia quickly pleaded with Ryan, "Mr. Carter, we came in with you! We're employees of Ellen Games-you have to vouch for us!"

But Ryan frantically shook his head. "Officer, I don't know them at all. I have no connection with them. They must have impersonated Ellen Games employees to sneak in. Please remove them immediately."

Mia's expression changed drastically. "Mr. Carter, how could you do this? We work for you!"

But no matter how much she shouted, Ryan refused to acknowledge them. He even made an excuse about needing the restroom and slipped away.

Now, Mia and Thomas were completely doomed.

Several security guards rushed forward, pinning Thomas down and locking him in tight handcuffs. He let out a scream like a pig being slaughtered.

Mia, on the other hand, continued resisting furiously. But a female security officer didn't hesitate to slap her across the face.

Mia's cheek instantly swelled up. Then, not only was she cuffed, but they even shackled her feet, treating her like a violent criminal.

Tears streamed down Mia's face from the pain, but she was powerless to resist. She could only let the security personnel handle her as they saw fit.

Both of them now would probably be detained for at least half a month.

Once Mia and Thomas were taken away, order was restored in the banquet hall.

Then, as if nothing had happened, Ryan, who had just "escaped to the restroom", miraculously reappeared.

He approached Jack and bowed slightly in apology. "Mr. Holland, I sincerely apologize. I failed to recognize you earlier and even offended you. Please forgive me for my mistakes."

Jack smiled and replied, "You're too polite. Did we have any misunderstandings before?"

Hearing this, Ryan thought Jack had forgiven him. He quickly took the opportunity to bring up Ellen Games' collaboration proposal.

"Well then... about Ellen Games' potential partnership with your company, Mr. Holland, what do you think-"

However, Jack's expression instantly turned serious. In a calm tone, he said, "While there might be no misunderstandings between us, when it comes to business cooperation, we'll follow the standard procedures. Our team will reach out to your company for discussions. If the terms are suitable, I believe both companies will have a promising partnership."