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Trust.

This word sometimes is very light.

Sometimes, it is heavy

Azief paused for a second.

Letting them digest his words.

Azief leaned back on his throne, his cold eyes looking at those four people.

Then he spoke

'You either trust me or not. I dare bring out this proposal at this time because you all have seen the Weronian War. You have seen the almost possible future extinction of our kind. If the Weronian succeeds at that time, humanity would be wiped out. We may have evolved to a higher life forms, but we still are humans'

Hearing this everyone has an ugly expression on their face.

Azief did not see most of the Weronian Occupation because he was in other worlds at that time.

When he returns to Earth, he fought against that Weronian Warrior and then nearly died before Katarina saves him and encased him inside a mountain of ice.

When he opens his eyes, the Weronian Occupation has already ended. But the people in this room had seen what happened then.

They have no words to describe the situation at that time. Whatever you think you know about war, that cognition changed that day

Narleod, Jean, Hirate, Hikigaya, the Grand Researcher, Kairu and many others changed that day. So, when Azief mentioned that year again, they could not help but remember certain dark days.

Azief only knows about the war and the cruelty under occupation of the Weronian through reports. But even through the report and the videos, he could tell that it is worse.

Because it is not a war for the survival of their race. It was a genocide.

A barbaric race that tries to eradicate the human race. The stories nowadays portrayed the Weronian and a mindless barbaric cosmic race, not having intelligence.

But Azief read the report. The Weronian did try to make other methods like releasing gas so that humans could not procreate.

It reminded Azief of a certain nation that uses the same method before the Fall where they try to control a population of a certain race.

The Weronians also tries to send some humans to reeducation camps where they would be sterilized, raped or killed, being a plaything for these barbaric race.

There is a moment of silence. The air becomes heavy.

Azief sighed and then said

'I am not a man who speaks many words. I find that speaking too much sometimes diminish the meaning of my action.'

'But this time, I must speak'

He went silent for a second. He was about to say something but then he stopped. No one noticed this but Jean and Hikigaya. For a moment, Azief squint his left eye.

Azief pretend everything is fine but his heart is beating right now. He seems to see a vision in that brief moment.

He saw a trident, saw the world bringing down thunder and saw a vision of a being clothed in light, surrounded by water.

This vision is brief. Usually Azief could ignore it but this time, the feeling is so strong that he could not restrain that vision from filling his mind.

But he quickly focused on the matter at hand. The vision that he just saw is put on the back of his mind.

He then said to the four people he needs to convince

'I would not try to inspire you with rousing words of duty or responsibility. You know who I am. I never cared much about that kind of stuff'

At this Narleod chuckles.

They all know that while Death Monarch is probably the strongest person in the world, he is rarely active in doing anything for the world.

It is not that he is selfish. It is that he never put the world in his thought at all.

However, it has been years since the Fall.

Most people changed.

And he too, also changed

'I could not rouse you to believe in me. And you would not be tempted by some kind of idealistic utopia' he paused and then continue

'But what I will do is paint a picture of horror'

'And that picture is simple. I just want you to all remember what you see during the Weronian Occupation. I want you to remember that feeling when you saw all the things that were happening back then'

'I know you all have rivalries and enmity against each other. We all have something we want to the other for. I don't see you as my friend. We are all entangled in benefits, in profit and losses and that is fine.

'But tell me.....'and then Azief look at Narleod 'I know you hate Hirate and the World Government, but I also know you cooperated with them during the Weronian Occupation. You hide it from the world, but Sasha is very capable'

Azief chuckles a bit and said

'The one noble thing you do for the world, yet, you want to hide it from the world like you are committing some unspeakable sin'

Narleod face tightened.

'You hate him but you trust him enough. I see that you have anger and hate. But you, for once, manage to put that aside. You must see something in humanity that you are not quite ready to abandon.

'You are dangerous. Crazy. But, you are not Void'

'And all of you, regardless of the profit and loss, you cooperated with each other resisting the Weronian Occupation. You remember that don't you? That is the horror we will face'

'Sooner or later, there would be another barbarian race that would come to this planet again. We are no longer a small rock floating in the nothingness of space. We have alerted the Universe and they have heard the sirens and they see us now.'

'If we have nothing to fight against them at that time...' he let his word trails off and there is silence in the room

Azief sighed and then said

'We either stand together, or we all die alone...and in misery.'

'I do not intend to leave Earth and I don't think any of you wanted to. Whether it is because it is our home, or whether it is because it is the only place in the Universe filled with pure energy, I don't care. Whether it's for the benefit or for nostalgia, you all want to stay here' So, choose. And don't be wishy washy about it'

Then Death Monarch lean back on his throne and close his eyes.

He had said all that needed to be said.

And an eerie silence descends on the room.

They could feel the time is ticking. Death Monarch is there on his throne waiting. Jean and Hikigaya also close their eyes.

In the end, even if they have the intention, they could not do it alone. Narleod look at Kairu, Kairu look at Hannah, Hannah look at Lee Sangmin and they all seems to know that this is the only time that Death Monarch would give them

They then push a button and the area around their throne is surrounded by a translucent barrier before the translucent barrier become black.

Only four throne areas are like this. Azief did not say anything to this as he knows that this is them discussing things with each other.

Azief on the other hand is trying to make sense of the vision he had just saw. A trident? He thought to himself. The trident looks familiar to him.

Then he thinks about the other glimpses he saw. Some of it doesn't seem to make sense. He doesn't like this.

But he could not stop it either. Since the moment he had Erika eyes, he had been getting these kind of glimpses all the time.

The time passes on and then the black barrier become translucent again.

Kairu then spoke, his voice seems particularly loud in this large room.

'We have discussed among ourselves and we have decided'

Azief nodded. Kairu continue

'Representing the will of the Order of Thinkers, The Lotus Order, the League of Freedom and the African Alliance, we- 'before he could finish saying it, Azief suddenly stood up, his aura exploded almost in an instant

'How dare!' he seems to said

The entire room was surrounded by a maelstrom of energy and the roof of the Dome cracks.

This sudden action shook everyone.

'What happened?' Narleod said as he got up from his seat. The other also got up from their seat.

In that moment Azief look toward Jean and Jean nodded.

He disappeared almost immediately from the room. Hikigaya follows after him. Azief waves his hand and a powerful wind seems to have been generated.

All the others in the room is puzzled but then they felt a great power suddenly erupting

This feeling that they felt is like an uncontrollable energy that exploded all of a sudden and those who felt it knows that this is not normal at all.

'Shit!' Narleod curses.

Hannah Storm who is in holographic form seems to be distorted. The real Hannah Storm in the Antarctica did not feel the vibration or neither could she senses anything.

But she could see something is wrong. Lee Sangmin who is in his throne looks around him, his eyes shines and inside his pupils are matrixes of formation that seems to assemble itself

Kairu ready his hand, a curved saber appears on his hand.

In that moment they understand. Someone has attacked the Dome. Because now they could hear the explosion and feels the vibration coming toward this room

They did not notice such explosion in the beginning because of the protection formation that is embedded all around this Dome.

And it is also because this is the land inside the Turbulent Sea, a place where their Divine Sense are dulled.

Boom!

Booom!

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The entire Dome seems to shake

The sound of the explosion came and the entire area of the room seems to be disintegrating.

'An anti-matter bomb mix with other corrosive and anti-life substances. Contain it before it could disintegrate the main formation'

Hannah Strom analyze the bomb before her holographic body disappeared from the room

the energy in the room was disturbed heavily, the formation embedded in the walls seems to erase itself, the ground cracks, the space properties that envelop the entire room shows signs of instability

'Let us make a move.' Lee Sangmin said calmly.

The other people that is still in the room nodded. They could see if they let this explosion continue unabated, even they would be affected.

Lee Sangmin tap his staff and formations light up under his feet, a helix like formation floated up from the ground, protecting him.

Narleod fly up and punches through the debris, each punch disintegrate the large debris that even the space is between collapsed.

Narleod frowned and shouted

'This room could not last. Evacuate' he shouted. The other people also noticed this.

Right now, the space altering properties of this room has been disintegrated.

Unless one wanted to try to survive a space crunch, they should quickly go out of the range of this room.

Kairu bring out a bottle flask. The sound of the water rumbling echoes inside the room even as the sound of space collapsing seems to drown out any other sound

Then he opens the flask and swipe the water out from it, a colorful rainbow bridge was formed

He jumps onto that rainbow bridge and he turns into a colorful light that disappeared from the room.

Narleod on the other hands turns into a meteor and melted everything around him as he pierces through the Dome ceiling

Even as the ceiling seems to collapse with the space that envelops it, his flame seems to be able to melt space

Lee Sangmin on the other hand tap the space beside him and the space seems to turns into a prismatic block. He enters the prismatic block and goes into the Mirror Dimension.

Hirate on the other hand had already been transported by Jean the moment, Jean notices the explosion.

Most of the world leaders could save themselves but there is other guest in the room that watched the proceeding.

And they all could only scream and be in fear. Not everyone in the room could fly away, punch their way out, or escape to another dimension.

Azief frowned before he waves his hand again.

Everyone in the room was transported away from the room and then after making sure that nobody is in the room anymore, Azief teleported himself out of the room.

BOOOM!

A powerful space crunch erupted almost immediately in the room.

Around the area, the entire space time is unravelling, creating all kinds of weird time and space phenomenon before it devours itself and exploded in a powerful space altering explosion.

BOOOM!

BOOOM!

The sound of explosion is everywhere, the blast of the explosion swept away the structures all over the Dome.

The power of the explosion reaches the sky and distorts the already chaotic energy in this place even more.

Outside the conference room, there is Hikigaya.

He frowned, looking at the current damage and the blast and the explosion.

His mind is thinking fast. He did not have time to think who is the one attacking the Dome and the delegations of the world power.

Right now, seeing these kind of damage, he knew he could only think off how to save as many people as he can

'It is a bit hard but it is still possible. I guess right now I could show the world how much I have improved'

Hikigaya seems to mutter to himself. Even as his body is about to be blasted by an explosion, a shockwave and a storm of fire, he seems to be calm

His eyes are full of confidence.

He moves his finger and the explosion turns into a wave of water that turns translucent before turning into something akin of a holographic 3D projection.

The blast turns into nothing more than a blowing wind, the storms of fire gathers together and turns into fireworks that fly into the sky.

Hikigaya smiles.

Debris of large structure that is falling down on people turns into bouncy balls.

When it falls down onto people, the people would only get push away but were not crushed under its weight. All around the damage that should happen, the might explosion that should level everything outside of the conference room become something funny and harmless.

Some people look and see Hikigaya fluting in the air, his robe fluttering and a smile on his face and they know it is Hikigaya methods

However, these people did not have time to express their gratitude, quickly running away from the explosion that they see in the distance. Some run towards Hikigaya, believing that it is the safest around him.

Some fly to the sky, intending to leave the area. Some runs toward the back area.

He turns reality into merely an illusion, a trick of the eye.

Hikigaya is not the only one containing the explosion all over the Dome.

There is also Jean the Time Monarch.

He is sitting cross legged on the air, and there are green strings around his body. This green string seems to bind itself upon particles of atoms.

Around him, time seems to slow down.

And the closer it is to him, the slower time seems to move. But time itself is a construct of the mind. It is the stillness of nothingness.

There is an explosion all over the Dome but the explosion could not move. It is likes being a paused scene of an explosion only the living things in the explosion could run away.

The fire did not harm, the blast did not swept people away, the debris did not fall. People, and animals alike all fled the area.

Bursting out of the many halls that is in the area of the Dome, is the dignitaries of the world powers, the reporters, the soldiers and guards.

They see the situation and they could not make sense of it. On one side, there is a comical scene of danger turning into something cartoonish.

Large debris turning into bouncy balls, fires turn to beautiful fireworks in the sky, blast wave turns into breezy wind and so on and so forth.

On another side, time seems to stand still. They did not have time to assess things calmly. They just run or fly like there is not enough space between them and these calamities.

BOOOOM!

A part of the Dome falls down.

A middle age man looks at the distance, seeing the calamity that is about to come to him and his family.

A shockwave that is about to reach them, a storm of fire that is like a rolling ball of mud is behind that storm of fire.

And above them, a large section of the roof is about to fall down on them

One family that comes from one of the world powers that is running is about to be crushed by an entire large section of the ceiling.

The middle age man is the father.

He looks at his daughter and his wife and look at the roof section above his head, the danger that is above and in front of him and even though he did not want to, he could only resign toward his fate right now

'I could at least save my daughter; he thought to himself

This person is only in the Energy Disperse Stage.

If this ceiling is a normal ceiling he could just punch it out. But there is a weird fire that shroud that ceiling section and this fire seems to neutralize energy.

He himself is bloodied after pushing away some planks that seems to burst out of nowhere when the Hall first exploded.

And his energy was drained by that fire. So, he already knows that he could not save everyone. He could save himself. But that would be leaving his wife and his daughter to death.

He could only save one person. And he chose his daughter

'Sa-' he was about to say something, but then just right before the section of the roof is about to fall, it stopped

The shockwave disperse, the rolls of fire disintegrated like it is nothing but his illusion.

'He saw a man in the air, black robe, cold face simply pointing toward that part of the roof and the roof stop there in the air like it is suspended by some kind of string.

This man is none other than Death Monarch. The man nodded in thanks then quickly takes his wife and his daughter away from the area of explosion running toward Jean direction.

Azief then clench his fist and the section of the roof disintegrated into dust that is quickly blown by the wind.

'Who dares attack this Dome?' Azief seems to be thinking to himself. But he did not have time to contemplate this question

He looks around and he could see Jean and Hikigaya in the distance containing the explosion.

There were not the only ones but it is hard to use his Divine Sense right now to get accurate view of the situation. He is closest to Jean right now

He takes one step, the space ripples and suddenly he is now beside Jean.

The time around him in an instant seems to be locked by some force and he knows that this is Jean Time Domain.

He could see the explosion in the distance that is becoming bigger but seems to be slow.

Then he looks around the Dome.

'He improved more than just a lot' he thought to himself.

This is the Turbulent Sea, where time and space is very unstable. But even in such place, Jean could still maintain Time and Space around him to this degree.

If it's in any other place, he could probably simply stop Time altogether.

If not for Jean, this explosion would take out the entire Dome.

Azief, Jean and Hikigaya could see that the formation that is put by the Arrayist master did not even have the function of stopping this explosion

This explosion is not a simple explosion.

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The flames in the distance, the screams that echoes all over the entire city, the smokes that rises up from the ground, reaching high to the sky

Azief could tell that these explosion, this attack is something very unusual.

But, all three of them is still calm.

All around them people are running away.

But people like Narleod, Kairu, and Lee Sangmin did not run away.

Then there is also people like Wang Jian, Athena, Freya to name a few that also rush out from the hall and created all kinds of barrier fortification.

Shield made of energy shielded people and large structure.

And Azief could see that in the city, there is a flash of a purple lighting zig zagging across the entire city

Only a flash could be seen

'Will' he thought to himself

Right now, the explosion is slowed down by the rules of Time that Jean had stimulated.

People thought that Jean could only hold this explosion for a few second but as the second passes, the explosion is still there, could not move forward even an inch.

Jean today, is not like the Jean six months ago. At that time, he just enters Divine Comprehension realm

Today, he has mastered more of his ability as a Divine Comprehension leveler. And then there is also Hikigaya.

Azief look at Jean and then he looks at the city in the distance.

All over the city of Arturia, there is also explosion.

But just like the explosion in this Dome, all of them seems to explode but before it could hit any people, the explosion stood still.

One could even see the fire and the anti-matter properties eating away at matter but could not move an inch further.

Azief smiles and said

'It seems you have improved.' He muttered it this time. Death Monarch rarely compliments anyone.

Jean simply smiles and said

'It is a pity that the bomb around the meeting room could not be prevented. It takes out the entire room. I think the bulk of the explosion is put there. The barriers and the protection formation portably could not halt even one of these bombs. So, the target was us. The world leaders'

'We did not detect it. That is.....something' Jean said and Azief and Hikigaya, the only one that could speak and listen calmly in this tense situation understood the implied meaning

Azief smiles bitterly.

he was caught unaware. Jean was caught unaware. And Hikigaya too. Like Jean said.....this is something

This bomb...whatever it is...seems to shield itself from their perception.

Was it because this is the Turbulent Sea? Or is it because of something else? If it's the latter, then there is a problem.

'It does not matter. For now, we will save the people. We will talk about this later in detail' Jena and Hikigaya simply nodded.

He sighed and then as he walks forward, his height seems to change. He became bigger and larger and taller

And boom of explosion seems to occurs around it. It is space compressed and collapsing, creating loud sound of explosion.

Each step he took great storms of energy seems to swirls around him.

Seven feet, eight feet, ten feet, twenty feet, thirty feet, fifty feet and then Azief stopped growing.

He was taller than anyone and larger than anyone. A giant has manifested and it is a giant in golden colors.

Space compresses, and the light from his body shines all over the city, dispersing the clouds, piercing the sky.

The entire entrance gate has been destroyed as he become larger and his feet crush the entrance gate.

Around him, the wind that blows seems to be obstructed by a large mountain, the pressure of the energy forces these wind to split into two directions, creating squalls wind all over his body.

With him at the center of the Dome, a powerful wind blast rolled out in all direction, the fires in the Dome was swept away by this blast of wind.

This is a Golden Wind; a Heavenly Will intent is embedded in this blast of wind.

It did not harm, it dispels calamities, bless the people, protect life, bringing life and pushing out death.

Hikigaya and Jean had already retreated when Azief became larger. The force from Azief body pierces space and time causing more distortion to space

The wind blast from his body swept through all the debris into dust, the fires into nothingness

Azief was not the only one minimizing the damage

Jean waves his sleeve, and all the people all were sucked into his sleeve.

Hikigaya eyes shines with symbols as he looks at the sky, seeing the Heavenly Will Avatar looking down.

The entire gate, the gardens, the yard, the square all were pushed by this wind.

The protection formation was stripped almost instantly.

Some people who is outside of the Dome saw the fifty feet figure of Death Monarch.

His entire being is shining so bright like he was the sun and they were so shocked that some people forget to run as their eyes grew wide as they stared incredulously

The golden wind passes them by the debris, the explosion all turns to nothingness but the wind did not harm them

All they could feel was the pat of the wind on their back, like a breezy summer wind swaying across your cheek

Waves of powerful golden blast of wind poured forth, shattered all the destruction.

The destruction all over the Dome seems to be wiped out by some kind of Divine Force and everyone could only see golden skies and golden clouds

Tens of thousands of people in the distance could see that the golden wind is about to reach the city and when the wind rushes over they see how easy it was for Death Monarch to dispel this calamity

It is as simple as turning his hand.

They watched in astonishment as they see the cloudless skies is filled with golden colors and golden clouds, filling the world with the majesty of heaven and earth

For a moment, the screams, stopped.

They look at the sky and their fears dissipated. The golden skies seem to be able to dispel all fears and calamities.

Some people who watched this, seeing that fifty feet man standing in golden bright holy color, could not help but feel despair and helpless.

'How powerful and mighty, the number one person in the world!' he thought to himself. There are many who came today, who is the enemy of Death Monarch.

And many of them that came here today who wanted to watch him fail

They hope for something bad to happen in this conference of world leaders.

Maybe, Death Monarch would offend the Six Great powers and create another conflict.

Maybe, some rebel forces wanted to kill them.

There is a lot of ways for this thing to go wrong.

But, right now, there is only bitterness in their hearts.

Explosion rocked the city, flames covered the entire island and these people that wanted the death and destruction of Death Monarch is now saved by that golden wind.

It is not a pleasant feeling being indebted to your enemy, even if the enemy didn't know that they had saved you.

And if before they wanted Death Monarch to fail, now they wanted him to succeed.

Golden skies, golden clouds, bringing prosperity to the world. the blessing of the heaven rained down

'I do not like being in this state' Azief thought to himself, and then he glances to the sky for a second.

In that one glance, he saw the Heavenly Will Avatar looking at him

He feels the oppression of Heaven, feeling the oppression of this land, of space and time constricting his every move.

But these forces could not hold them down.

'Only a bit' he mutters.

But the words he said could not be heard amidst the explosion and screams

No one hears it.

But there is something that heard it

Only that Avatar in the sky, invisible to the human eyes seems to be hearing it.

The entire ground is cracking, the space is collapsing by the second, voids of spaces seems to gather around Azief body.

this is the only way to look at everything clearly.

This part of the world hinders his Divine Sense.

If he wants to get a good look of everything he either has to fly or become bigger.

He chooses to become bigger.

Because he wanted to make a move and it is better if he makes this move when he is in this titan form.

Most of the golden wind dissipates the destruction of the city but he also could see a more distant explosion.

The space around him that was already unstable is popping off like a cooked up popcorn. He saw forest that is being ravaged by a flame thirty feet high, with a width that is increasing by the second,

He saw lakes and rivers dries up turning into gas as the flames swept past it.

He frowned.

And then he waves his hand toward that direction, golden light gathers around his hand and as he waves his hand, this golden light spread out toward that place

The explosion was all washed away like dirt being cleaned by a strong detergent.

It seems like a big problem but it is like the sound of thunder, only the sound is loud, but there is no lightning attacking.

The world was calmed down and second passes.

Azief frowned.

'Only this?'

He solves it too easy.

That is what he felt.

Jean and Hikigaya also slowly release their magic.

Around him, Time moves normally again.

There is beads of sweat over his forehead

He is exhausted.

Even though he did not show any signs of exhaustion, it is true that doing the things he did is very exhausting.

Hikigaya is also the same. If there is one person that did not have such fatigue it would be Death Monarch.

Azief turns back into his original size and floated down in the Dome. None of the people were dead. Some were injured.

Azief once again spread out his Divine Sense

Even though his Divine Sense is obstructed a bit but he still has enough power to envelop the entire area of the Dome and then he frowned.

Most of the Dome has been destroyed. There is a few Hall that survived but even that is on the verge of being destroyed.

But most of it was destroyed, from those pavilions in the lakes and the gardens to the top floor.

But Azief is frowning

'Something is not right here' he thought to himself

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Azief look at Hikigaya and Jean and then he asks

'What do you think the purpose here?' They did not answer because they do not know.

'We have to investigate first. There is too much confusion. I...also do not understand what the perpetrator is intending to achieve' Jean said

Azief nodded and then the three of them suddenly disappeared from the area. Only the sign of the space being disturbed shows that they were here just now.

Amidst the panicking and dazed crowd, there is someone who is smiling and he simply mutters to himself

'Like I thought, that person underestimate those three too much'

Looking around him, there is great destruction. But, there is little death. Maybe even nonexistent.

Those three Divine Comprehension leveler easily solve such a mass attack.

From the Dome of Arturia to the city of Arturia itself, Death Monarch needs only to waves his hand to turns every flames into wind.

'But, at least the world would now know. And, the demonstration is good enough'

'After all, it is not like these three people would always be able to come and go everywhere in the world. It is not like in the past'

'Now, he just need to take responsibility about this matter and the plan will be completed'

The one saying this is none other than a senator of the Republic, a devious smile on his face that is quickly wiped out from his face.

At the same time that this was happening, on a half destroyed island, there is someone who is holding a trident. His entire body is bloodied. But there is a smile on his face.

He is kneeling on the ground, the trident on his hand. He grips the trident and slowly tries to get up.

Using the trident as a hold, he pushes himself up.

Standing, he looks around him.

There is a sight of desolation.

Thousands of acres of forest were disintegrated, the entire terrain is unrecognizable, with scorched ground and pit hole the size of a large craters all over.

The energy around him is distorted and the space around him is not stable. Around twenty feet away from him is a large dragon sprawled over a long distance.

The dragon is bleeding in many places, an arrow on one of its large eyes, his side is torn open.

But that dragon is still breathing and one of its eyes is still looking at him.

Before he could even steady himself, a voice comes from behind.

'Don't you feel glad that you allied with me, Raymond? '

Haish' a sighing sound escape his mouth. The one holding the trident is none other than Raymond.

And behind him is Void.

He no longer has that robe on him.

Instead, there is an iron armor all over his body. But most of the iron armor has been destroyed. And Void himself has a lot of injuries.

Kaiju is not easy to defeat. Even Void with all of his armor could not stand that many punches by someone that is probably descended from the dragon race

'Where is Sofia?' he asked.

'I don't have super vision like you guys. But, since Loki is here, if Sofia really is in mortal danger, I think that he would move from Narwhal and save her. Since he did not move, it means Sofia might just be hurled onto some hills or mountain in this island. She is safe, I guess'

There is silence between them both before Raymond suddenly asked

'Now it I only you and me' Void walk closer to Raymond and said

'So?'

Raymond then ask

'You want the trident?'

Void smiles and then shakes his head

'I wanted it at first. The Oracle also wanted me to have it. But I don't find it fun. How about it? You agree to my deal? '

Raymond face tightened.

'I help you and you help me.....somewhere along the line.

'When will this some when will be?'

'Who knows? Maybe I would never check out this favor. Or maybe, I would ask your help tomorrow. Maybe, someday I will forget about this deal. Still, I find it more interesting for you to be owing something to me. The mighty Earthshaker in the debt of me, Void. That sounds a bit more appealing to me'

Void laughed like madman. Raymond is sure he would never meet someone like Void again. Someone who treats benefits and interest like this.

For someone who wanted profit and avoid losses, at least he could understand such a person.

A little bit heartless, yes, but he could understand such a person

But Void.... does not work according to normal routine

He is not stupid, he is just crazy in his demeanor and his action.

He is chaos.

The trident in his hand right now could control all the seas in the world. Even though he did not yet use it, the moment he held the trident he could feel the power.

After almost an hour fighting, the victor of this trident is Raymond.

Holding the trident, there is a weird feeling to it. A certain sense of familiarity, a sense of belonging, that this trident holds the opportunity for him to break through to higher levels

It is an instinct that suddenly appears in his heart and once this feeling appeared, it could no longer be erased

'What a magical object' he thought to himself

He could feel the power of the sea, holding it he could hear a song, a Song that Erika always hears, the Song of the Earth, the Song of the Sea.

This song that he hears had, only the sound of waves and the living things that is inside the sea

It is nothing much. But this sound is no mere sound and hearing it brings out all kinds of feeling.

To people who could not hear it, they would only listen to the sound of the waves, the cries of the large fishes, and they would hear nothing more and think nothing of it

But what he hears and what he feels is something not many people in this world could understand

A sound that is more than just song, a song that is of the most sublime and beautiful sound an ear could hear.

Unpredictable, calm at times, stormy in another, each waves have its story, each cries have its cause and effect, life and death seems to coexist and all of it is expressed in this song that only he could hear.

And he wishes that such a song could also be heard by other people.

Those who could not hear it, Raymond pity them.

The Song sometimes calms his heart, sometime bring his heart to a halt, sometimes brings him a feeling of anxiety.

All kinds of feeling are stirred but it did not wreck him instead it is like making him understand himself.

It did not allow him to get addicted to it but instead to be entranced by it, like e is caught in a magic spell.

What a magical sound! What a magical Song!

These emotions, these contradictory feeling and understanding of these songs.... all of it, is the façade of the Song.

Taking different persona, taking different sound, and all of it is still the Song of the Sea, the Song of the Earth and the Song of everything in between.

Raymond hears this sound and for a moment he forgot his pain but then he focused back on his current situation

And his current situation is bad,

He sighed and tries to stand up straight but he feels his knees are weak.

'Fuck!' he curses. His feet lost a chunk of meat when he was clawed by Kaiju fingers.

It is healing but not as fast as he would like it

He laughed and he feel pain on his rib.

Even with the help of Void, the blessing of the Heavenly Will, he was reduced to this state.

'Kaiju is really a monster' now that he had fought Kaiju, there is only one person that Raymond could compare him to.

That person. The tall mountain that everyone wanted to climb over

Death Monarch Azief.

Fighting Kaiju reminded him when he fights against Death Monarch, that power of ultimate suppression and dominating battle style.

It reminded him of Azief very much.

But if there is a difference

Kaiju is like a rabid animal. And Azief is like a silent predator that would quickly maul you to death, rarely giving you any chance.

But if there is a similarity between the two, it is that they both gives their enemy this feeling of despair and fear as they fight.

This is high evaluation from Raymond. Kaiju is a worthy opponent.

It is a pity they stand on different side. Raymond then look toward the distance

'I hope she is fine'

Sofia was also flung far away from this area. Void fall not far away from him but his injury is only a few compare to them both.

Raymond sighed a she looked at Kaiju body that is now morphing back to his humanoid form.

If not for Void, he is quite sure, he would lose in that battle.

Void neutralize all the divine power that Kaiju has. It is amazing how Void could do this kind of feat unconsciously.

'Kaiju is too dangerous of a monster'

Raymond said as he walks toward Kaiju.

He heard rumors that Kaiju could not die. Is that really the truth? Or is it because no one managed to push him to the point of dying?

He really wanted to see if Kaiju really could not be killed. Even though he is weak right now, winning, gives him the strength.

Raymond walk step by step, and he is heaving with each step. Void could also see what Raymond is doing but he did not follow. Instead, he looks toward the shore. There is Loki looking at him and the Oracle.

He had done everything that he wanted to do. Right now, there is a plan forming in his mind. He smiles and laughs and then fly toward the shore

Sofia is on top of a broken mountain. She is taking her breath and downing down the last reserve of Sina potion down her throat.

She keeps coughing and there is burns on her hand and on her face.

She did not mind it that much since she knows she could heal it later.

But that does not mean she does not feel the pain.

'Kaiju must be killed'

Sofia did not know the conclusion of the battle.

The last thing she remember was that she pulls one of her strongest arrow from her body, using all of her energy and shoot it toward Kaiju.

That arrow pierce Kaiju energy protection and then struck straight to his eyes.

Kaiju then move his claws, a gravity locking state was applied to her and she was pulled towards his claw by some kind of invisible force.

If she was at full power, she might be able to break free from that gravity lock.

But the moment she releases that arrow, her realms fell to Energy Disperse stage level of energy. Raymond then attack Kaiju claws and Kaiju in pain chuck her away.

Then she collided with the top of the mountain, the top of the mountain exploded and buried her under an avalanche of rocks and sands.

That is the last thing she remember.

Now, she slowly stands up.

'What kind of fire, Kaiju spew out from his mouth? Sofia said she stands up while using the walls of stones around her to stabilizes her footing.

Even though she drinks the potions, the potions did not alleviate some of her most serious injuries.

She realizes that she is in some kind of cave like place.

It must be the place where she fell down after the avalanche push her and buried her. She did try to dig her way out and so she came out inside this cave.

She takes a few breaths and she took the energy around her to quickly heals her injury and replenish her energy.

It did not take long before she has enough energy to walk steadily.

Punching up and down, in a few minutes she is on the surface again. She looks in front of her and then she saw in the distance a sight of great destruction.

There is still the scent of something burning in the air.

'The battle is over' she said and there is a smile on her face.

Because she knows who the winner is.

It is Raymond.

The reason she knows is simple.

Because in the sky, there is no dragon.

She jumps up, and then turning into streak of light that resemble an arrow, she flew with her fastest speed toward the direction of that smoking area.

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An arrow flies in the sky, heading to the smoke.

As for Raymond, he did not know that Sofia is coming towards him. But even if he knew, he would not stop what he is doing right now.

Void and the Oracle has already disappeared into the sea.

Loki however is still there. Standing there on the shore.... looking at him

Loki....is a variable. So, Raymond know he must kill Kaiju as fast as possible before Loki makes a move.

He stands over Kaiju titanic body. Even though he is no longer in his dragon form, Kaiju himself is a giant-like person

He then raises his trident and then mustering the last energy in his body he stabbed downwards.

In that moment, Raymond thought maybe Loki would try to stop him. Or maybe one of the pirate lord would fly into the island and stop him

But there was no one. There is no Divine Sense that stops him or any attack. But, even without an obstruction from anyone, the trident did not reach Kaiju chest

Raymond frowned and then he cursed

'Fuck' There is a hand. And that hand is pushing up.

The trident is now being held by Kaiju. Even after all of that beating, it seems Kaiju did not fall all the way.

Kaiju grips the end of the trident and he slowly pushed upwards.

Raymond wanted to use the trident but right now, the trident is hold by two people.

The battle of will between Kaiju and Raymond causes the trident unable to know whose order it had to listen.

'Raymond, it is not that easy to kill me' Kaiju said, laughing, his laugh echoes loudly, his eyes dripping with blood.

And then Kaiju pull the trident, a tearing force jolted Raymond and his hand unconsciously release the trident.

BOOOOM!

A powerful explosion sounded, and the force comes from Kaiju body. This force then throws Raymond forty feet away.

He landed on the ground with great explosion as huge tract of land slides away.

Raymond body falling to the ground disperse the force around his body to the ground. The entire northern side of the island shakes like there is an earthquake

Kaiju holds the trident on his hand and he smiles.

The water around the shores suddenly moves like snakes as it all converge around Kaiju.

Then the water climbs his body, wherever the water passes, his injuries healed almost immediately, his energy skyrocketed to the sky.

His entire body, his entire energy is back to the top

'This is how you use the trident, Raymond' The entire seas seem to be raging and the clouds and the skies seems to have been controlled by an invisible force.

Loki finally enter the scene. Kaiju look at him and he looks at Kaiju. For a moment, they both did not make any moves.

Kaiju then look at Raymond in the distance and then said

'You wanted to save him?'

'Want to fight? He said, a smile on his face. Loki chuckles but he was not fazed.

'Kaiju, do you want to kill Raymond?' he nodded. Loki shook his head.

'You killed him today, you would die tomorrow. Correction' he suddenly said.

'Without the trident, you will die tomorrow. With the trident, maybe a few years. But you will die. And you will die in pain'

'You're threatening me?'

'Do not forget who Raymond is. You kill him, the entire World Government would dedicate its resources to find and kill you. The others would also never let you go. It would show that you are against the world power.'

He paused for a second before saying

'Not to mention that you have revealed yourself to be an Otherworlders. Some people might use this as the fire to ignite the differences between the Otherworlders and the people of this world'

'Then that also would bring the world powers into the forefront. Are you sure you could fight all of the Seven Great Powers? If you do not have such confidence to fight the world powers, then let him live. Master the trident and then try again'

Loki speak fast but he highlighted all the important things that he should pay attention to.

Kaiju went silent. He is reckless and he is barbaric. But he is not stupid.

Loki smirks and then he added

'And if you kill him, I swear to the Heaven and Earth, that I will kill you'

Kaiju eyes turns sharp. They both look at each other. Anyone looking at them could see the contrast.

Loki is six feet six. But Kaiju is around twenty-five feet tall and his presence itself is intimidating

But Loki face still have that grin. Was it bravado? Or does he have something to rely on?

But there is confidence in his eyes.

'I have the trident. As long as I am in the sea, even Death Monarch could not find me with his Divine Sense'

Kaiju is quite sure of this.

the moment he wields the trident he could feel the unlimited power that is contained within the trident itself.

It is a pity that he could not mobilize all the power in the trident.

The power and abilities he could bring out is proportional to his strength and his mental and soul power

Loki chuckles and then said

'I have the Book of Secrets. Other people might not be able to seek you. But mark my words. I could find you even if you hide in the furthest galaxy in this universe.'

Kaiju frowned and said

'It's true then? That you still are torn between the world powers and the Crime Alliance? Can I perceive this as an act of helping the world powers? I might not know much but I did hear words from the grapevine that some people suspected that your so called betrayal to the world powers is nothing more than a ruse to infiltrate the Crime Alliance.'

Loki sighed and said

'I admit I have some soft spot for some people in the world powers. But I have never worked against the interest of the Crime Alliance. I work in the interest of me. Just like the Pirate Lords, just like the Red Table members'

Kaiju did not know how to refute this.

'I could never beat you in talking'

'That, we both agree' Loki said

Kaiju once again look at Raymond body not far away from him and his eyes is wavering. He seems to be hesitating whether to kill him right here or spare him.

But, the desire to kill is still there. Since, the killing intent is still there

Loki shook his head and simply said

'Not today. If you wanted to kill him, you should not try to kill him in front of me. Since he is in front of me and I see him, so I will protect him'

BOOOM!

A powerful aura exploded from Loki, the entire sky above him cracked. The already clam seas become wild again, the water is boiling and turns into gas

Then mist started appearing out of nowhere and from the mist a silhouette of a ship could be seen. The howling of shrill voice fills the area and a cold and creepy atmosphere began to pervade the area

Kaiju went silent and then he sighed. he looks at Raymond in the distance and he sighed again. It is clear now, what he chooses to do

Even this idiot knows that choosing to go forward with his idea right now would make him too many enemies.

He still has a bit of common sense.

He sighed and his killing intent disappears.

Loki looks at Kaiju and said

'Don't forget what you promise Mary' he simply said this word and Kaiju nodded.

But before he goes he smiles and then said

'You're bluffing' he laughed and then said

'But, not many people dare to bluff in front of me. And Raymond.... he is a worthy opponent. Since he lives, then let spare him' he laughed, his laugh is unconstrained and is full of heroism and that unrestrained aura from him could infect people heart

Kaiju is right now being full of power.

He could feel the power of the sea.

One thought and he could create a tsunami all over the world.

He could feel the ground underneath him, feeling the power to use the ocean, to move the ground.

But, he also knows that it would drain him and that is why he did not do anything

He then wields the trident and pointed it toward the sky and jets of water shoots from the sea toward the sky.

The sky is high but the water reached toward the sky, like a spear charging toward the sky.

Kaiju laughed and then in a true Kaiju fashion, he simply left the island.

In the sea, he has no blindfolds on. When the island barrier was destroyed by Void, the other party tries to enter.

Raymond swings his mace toward the area, smashing a few ships.

Sofia uses her arrow to rain down a barrage of energy arrows and Kaiju went amuck, thunder and lightning filling the entire island and all around it.

Thus, these forces, whether it be from the Crime Alliance, the pirates or the allies of Void all had to retreat.

But now, the winner is decided.

Not Raymond. Not Void.

But that monster.

That giant monster, Kaiju!

He waves the trident and the ships that has been sunk rises up, the wind become calms and then as he waves his hand again, the wind picks up, the waves become calm.

Kaiju landed on Mary ship and then without waiting for anyone, the Soaring Sun pirates and the crew of the Bloody Mary sails the seas, clouds and mist covers their fleet like some kind of ghost ship.

In just a few minutes, they disappeared from the shore of this now half torn island. Loki did not follow Kaiju. Instead, he simply asks Golden Face to disperse the others.

Some people wanted to fish in troubled water and wanted to come down to the island and capture Raymond and Sofia. Raymond seems like he is going to die any minutes now.

Sofia has arrived beside him but if the Crime Alliance wanted to attack Sofia right now and Raymond, there is a great chance that they could win.

But Loki simply told them to leave.

They don't want to listen. Yet, they know they have to. Loki is not a simple trickster that could easily be intimidated by force.

Loki is also a Disk Formation leveler and he has a lot of tricks under his sleeve. No one wanted to make an enemy with such person

So, even though they are dissatisfied, they could only click their tongue, stomp their feet and curse Loki behind his back but still they need to leave.

The sight of dozens ships leaving the island vicinity is like the epilogue of a great war.

The battle had ended and the victor has been finalized. Everyone that watched the battle and understand what is happening here, all knows that from today, a new unstable factor in the world had emerged.

The matters of the world once again become unstable

Loki look at Raymond and Sofia in the distance and he walks towards them. Sofia did not block Loki.

Loki come close to Raymond and then he simply said

'You should attack sooner. Though, I commend you. You aim for the head' Raymond coughed up blood and simply said

'I was already at my last cusp of energy when I drive down that trident.'

Loki then throws a pill to him.

'Eat that. It would heal you faster' Raymond did not hesitate as he throws the pill into his mouth.

He leans onto Sofia and he is breathing heavily.

Loki seems to enjoy the scenery not saying anything. Sofia also did not say anything. For a moment, there is only silence between them

Then Sofia ask

'Are you saving us?'

Loki nodded. Another silence descended between them. Sofia sighed

'You don't worry that the Crime Alliance would use this against you?' Loki only chuckles at this as he simply said

'I think I could craft a few reason and excuses to dismiss myself from the issue. Maybe, I would convince them that you are better off alive than dead'

'Maybe, I would bring up the Pandemonium Threat Theory or bullshit my way like I have always done all these years'

Chuckling, he added

'Don't underestimate my ability to spin the truth'

Loki seems very leisurely. He could joke and he could laugh. But both Raymond and Sofia is not in the mood to laugh and joke with him right now

Sofia simply ask

'They will accept it?'

'I'm useful to them'

He then added

'So, even if the excuse doesn't make sense, they would still say that it makes sense. If I am useless to them, even if I give the most logical excuses, they would find ways to make something else'

Chuckling, he waves his hand at Sofia and Raymond and then said

'How could you not understand this Sofia? Adventuring has made your mind dull' Then he looks at Raymond and he simply said

'Raymond knows what I am talking about. Dirty isn't it? Politics.'

Sofia only scoff at this.

'What does the Pirates want with the trident?' Loki laughed like he had heard a very stupid question.

'Why? To control the sea of course.'

'And the Crime Alliance did not mind that the pirates got it?'

'For now, they would not mind. As long as it did not fall to the hands of the world powers, I think they would tolerate the pirates having the final say in the seas.'

He looks at the skies and at the calm sea in the distance and he said

'The Crime Alliance and the Pirate Lords and other dark factions in the world all share the same enemy'

Sofia scoffed and said

'These criminals that only fight for profit and power....do they even know how to cooperate' Loki nodded at this and he said

'Well, we do fight against each other for benefit and power but we also know what happens if we crumble in front of the big choices. Either we learn how to pay along or get eviscerated'

'You would be surprised how even narcissistic homicidal maniac would act when they are facing a predator that does not mind tearing them to pieces'

'Death Monarch is that predator. And it is the reason why they are unified. Because they beast and these beast does not like being caged'

Smirking, like he thinks of something he continues

'And they do not want to get caged again. This is a new world. A world where the eyes of Death Monarch does not see everything'

So what, even if they lost the trident to the pirate. In the end, the pirate still needs allies. And the Crime Alliance also need allies'

If one trident could buy that alliance, I don't think the Crime Alliance would be that petty. Because both of the need all the allies they could get right now'

Sofia hearing this could not help but frowned her eyebrows

Loki on the hand continues. It was like he was teaching her. Or maybe it is a reminder?

'The trend of the Seven World powers ruling the world is an inevitability that they wanted to delay or break entirely. But they did not have the power to flip the chessboard like Death Monarch'

'However, now, they have a variable that could ruin the game. Until they could have the power to flip the chessboard they would allied with each other and seek and attract people. As for what happens if they managed to flip the chessboard.... that is in the future'

He paused for a second before saying

'At least not now. For now, they would be besties with each other' But then he shakes his head

'Anyway, I am not here to discuss these matter'

His eyes then rested on Sofia and then he said

'But, you could take what I said as a reminder. Tell those people in the world power, that it is better not to underestimate the Crime Alliance now. It is no longer a prey that they could hunt whenever they wanted to' Sofia sighed as she looks at Loki.

It might seem like Loki is threatening her but why does it feel like she is reminding her.

She knows who this message is supposed to go. Loki wanted her to tell Azief about this.

Loki however did not see the concern on Sofia face... or maybe he did see it and pretended not to see it

Instead, he turns to Raymond and said

'I simply wanted to ask Raymond a question. One question.'

He looks at Raymond and then said with a smile

'Did you see it?'

Raymond look at Loki eyes and he understood what Loki means. So, he smiles and then he nodded.

Then he said

'I saw it.' Loki smiles and then he said

'Then, we could make deal with each other' he said laughing with a joyous expression.

[Chapter 1436 The Shocking Ending](#)

The night came, and the day has finally ended. The Sun set and the whole world finally knows what happens.

The seismic wave of the event has just begun to be felt. A great battle happens in the Turbulent Sea; the World Council Meeting was interrupted.

Such news brings uncertainty and instability to the world.

Six months ago, the world change. Since then, the forces of the world had made moves to stabilize the situation.

Six month later, the world for most part is stable.

Here is no great war between faction and even battle against rival world powers had decreased.

Though, one could wonder whether it is because they play nice or because they are too far from each other now and have more internal problem to solve that they did not attack each other

Today events however break that fragile stability and the whole world once again wonders whether a new war will start

From East to West, from South to North, anyone that is not living under a rock knows something big had happened today

There is an attempt of assassination, a terrorist attack on the Dome of Arturia. This is the first news that came out

The attack itself failed but it shows that the resistance against the world power is still there.

But, it also shows the power of the three Divine Comprehension realm. And like always Death Monarch still shows his invincibility to the world.

Since he sat on that throne, it almost seems like no one could shake his seat. The tall mountain that everybody wanted to climb.

But never before has anyone climbed it.

All they could do is look at it and marvel at it.

Death Monarch, Jean the Time Monarch Hikigaya the Illusionist Archmage all shows their ability, saving the entire city.

The meeting was halted halfway but the decision for many polices has been announced. And there is also a matter that still left in the air.

The plan has been relayed to the people of the world.

Death Monarch Azief, Time Monarch Jean, the Illusion Archmage Hikigaya, the only three Divine Comprehension leveler in the world decided that they wanted to create Ten regions

Each regions seems to be a realm unto itself and so there are people calling it the Plan of the Ten Realms.

This shocked the people but they also know that this depends on the great powers.

As for the factions or force that is not recognized by the world power, their voce is merely noise that they could easily ignore.

Out of the Seven Great Powers, the Three Great Powers have already given their go ahead. Leaving only the four powers to make their decision.

Unlike most of the other proposal that was presented that day, this proposition of the Ten Realms requires the acceptance of every single power from the Seven World powers

This one requires a unanimous vote. Even if one disagrees with this, he plans would be scrapped.

The people of the world react to the plan of the Ten Realms with great enthusiasm.

Most of them very much like the idea of the Untainted Land.

A land where they could train themselves and not get involved when the great men and women in the world duking it out like some kind of titanic gods.

Even though the limit of the people living inside this land is only Seed Forming they did not mind it.

Not everyone is fighting or hegemony in this world, and not everyone wanted to go out of Earth and travel the vast nothingness of space in search of new worlds or abilities

Nor do they want to blaze a new path.

Some people simply just wanted to live with the people they love in a safe environment.

And of course, some people become the detractor, knowing that this Untainted Land is a land created by Death Monarch, Jean the Time Manipulator and Illusionist Archmage Hikigaya

Since these three is the one that create this land, the rules of this land is entirely up to these three people.

These news has made the whole world talking. But that is not the only big news that came out of the Turbulent Sea that day.

At the same time, the meeting of the world leader commenced in the city of Arturia, there was another big thing happening in the area of that sea

The Pirate Lords, the Crime Alliance actually fought each other in an unnamed, unknown island.

But if that is the only thing that happens, it would not be such a big news.

What happened afterward, according to the news form the black market and the White Owls newspaper, was that the battle is then joined by Raymond the Earthshaker, and Sofia the Divine Archer

The news told of an island surrounded by a barrier of wind that protected the island and the things inside it.

And what is the thing that is inside the island?

This is the question people ask and they quickly get the answer

A trident.

And not just any normal trident.

It is said that the trident belong to Poseidon, the true Poseidon, a titanic god that lives in the Olympians star system.

Some people already knows that the myths in the world sometimes are not just myths.

It is not just a story people told to make sense of things.

That some of these myths are very real.

That there were gods that come from the Heaven's in the past, riding their chariots of the gods, fighting on Earth.

To the eyes of humans at that times these powerful beings that rides in the air, command lightning, thunder, the elements of the world according to their whims, is truly like gods.

This trident is said to be able to control the sea of the world. That it escapes the rules and laws of the Heavenly Will

News was scarce in the beginning but then as the stories is relayed more and more, and new facts is disseminated, people knows that Raymond and Sofia had the upper hand.

Raymond seems to seek the trident to break through to the divine Comprehension leveler, to once again level the playing fields between the great powers.

Sofia the Divine Archer is known to be one of Raymond friends and these two has been cooperating a lot in the past six months.

It is without a doubt that Raymond had invited Sofia to help him in retrieving the trident.

this alone is interesting enough as a story.

Speculating a story of a love triangle between Death Monarch, the Divine Archer and the Earthshaker is something that is enough to become a story

Yes, a juicy story.

If not the romance part of the story, it would be the action part of the story that would attract people

Seeking an artifact, fighting against the forces of the pirates and the Crime Alliance this story is also good.

But then, the story become even more interesting and it is no longer just a story about battle between forces or a great fight story to be told around the taverns or around restaurant

No.... this battle relates to the world situation. And this battle is very important to decide who controls the sea.

Raymond and Sofia seems to be winning so one of the pirate lord, Mary also knowns as Bloody Mary made a deal with the Crime Alliance.

There is many versions of this story.

And each version is very believable.

Some speculated that the Crime Alliance rep saw that Raymond and Sofia who broke through the ships and enter the island winning the battle.

The rep fears that Raymond would get his hand on the divine artifact, so he proposed a deal with Pirate Lord Mary.

This matter is not exactly confirmed but there is news that the representative of the Crime Alliance went to her ship

Some said, it was the pirate lords that summon the representative of the Crime Alliance so that they could discuss countermeasure and they decide on uniting with each other

The news is still scrambled and the truth is always somewhere in between

They could not know the full truth because the only one that knows the full truth is the one in that place.

After the meeting between the representative of the Crime Alliance and the Pirate Lord Mary, Mary would then go and invited Kaiju, the new captain of the Soaring Sun Pirate and also another pirate lord.

Kaiju is not someone that the world knows of. Some people knows that he is one of the Ten Pirate Lords

But, not many people actually know that much about all of the Ten Pirate Lords.

If you do not travel the seas and do not travel through the Ten Seas, you would not know these figure that much

There is Ten Pirate Lords and those who live under the umbrella of the world powers usually only read their names in news or heard in a broadcast but, they were not a threat to the world powers.

Anything that is not a threat to the world powers could not be that strong...this is the thinking of the people in the world.

These are new rising stars only they stand on different sides.

Plundering and robbing and pillaging is kind of their stuff.

They smuggle stuff, people.

They bring the product of the sea, and all kinds of weird stuff they find from the sea to the people living on lands.

There are many types of pirates.

Some engaged in dirty and evil stuff.

Some smuggles things. Some smuggles people.

And some just acted like a courier of sorts, gaining money by trading the product of the sea with the people on land.

They go to the sea because they could not live in the land. There is many reason for these people go to the sea

Some goes to the sea because The world has become the world of the Seven Great Powers and they have no place for him in that world

Some wanted freedom and in a world dominated by the Seven Great Powers, the only free place in the world is the sea

Some simply wanted to set sail, live a life of adventure on the high seas, fighting sea monsters, exploring magical ruins and experience a different kind of life.

And then the Multiversal Convergence happened and a new kind of sea emerges.

There are new kinds of sea monsters, some who came from another world, hiding in the deep dark sea.

Ancient ruins from different worlds also appeared. The sea is now full of energy and all kinds of magical things could be found in the sea that could not be found on land.

The mist of the sea disrupts Divine Sense; the vast space makes it hard to scan every part of the sea.

Space and Time was also disturbed and there are many forbidden places in the sea. It is a place full of danger yet it also holds many opportunities

Now, the sea is not only bigger, but it holds many mystery and is even more powerful than before.

And it is because of the Multiversal Convergence, that the ten pirate lords emerge

Even before the Multiversal Convergence started, the sea was divided between pirate forces.

But, most of these forces range of activity overlapped with each other. This also could not be helped.

Because most of the sea belongs to the great powers. For example, Pandemonium Sea that belongs to Death Monarch.

Unless, you want to kill yourself, you would not provoke Death Monarch so there were no pirate's idiot enough to set shop near Pandemonium sphere of control.

Some tolerated them like the World government and some cooperated with them like the League of Freedom and some other weaker world power.

So, the sea even though it looks vast, there is only so much places where they could operate. Pirate lords back then is various and changes every month.

They also have to learn to cooperate with each other because they could not really fight each other all the time, each time their range of activities overlapped with each other.

However, like the rest of the world, when Multiversal Convergence ended, the world changed and it changed for the better for the pirates

The sea become vast and the pirates no longer have to compete with each other. With the vast sea, they could create their own base.

The formation of the Pirate Lords that truly have power started with the existence of the ten seas.

And so, in the ten seas rivalling pirates crew fight each other to decide who is the top dog.

And those who rise to the top become the Ten Pirate Lords.

They laid their claims to the seas and each one of them possess great power and influence in the sea and the islands in that sea.

But their reputation is only loud in the ocean.

Because they are new.

The world powers have been established for years, approaching a decade.

The pirate however is still a new faction in the world.

It does not yet have enough power or influence to be compared to the world powers or the resounding names of the great figures in the world

To the world powers, these pirate when compared to the Crime Alliance is weaker.

It is something that any world power could wipe out anytime they want if they put their mind in it.

However, from today, no one would be able to forget the name Kaiju.

this Kaiju enters the battle.

Now, the battle is no longer just a simple battle.

It is a battle of interest, a clash of forces.

Raymond who is from the World Government, if he gets the trident, the weakened voice of the World Government will once again strengthened

Then there is Sofia who is basically a wanderer who is not affiliated with any forces, yet, she is still the ex of Death Monarch, she has many friends like Sina and people in the World Government is also an ally of her.

This is also a great figure in the world. And this one is helping Raymond so one does wonder does the Divine Archer wanted to join the World Government?

This also brought about another discussion among the forces in the world.

And then there is Kaiju, a pirate lord of mysterious origin and of domineering power, if the rumors about him is to be believed.

A star studded battle. Everyone could imagine that if these three people clashed with each other the battle would surely be one of a kind battle

However, this star studded cast of people is not yet completed. The people who read the news and who got the news was already shocked that these three people has fought each other

But, that was just the beginning

After Kaiju enters the battle, Loki the Trickster appears.

Loki has been elusive in the past six month with many people hunting and searching for him all over the globe.

He is rarely seen in one place but today, Loki who usually only appears in great and important moment of the world appears in that battle.

It is clear to everyone hearing the story and reading the news, that this matter is not simple at all.

Loki only shows himself when there is a great benefit for him. There are not many things that could move such a man who have almost everything in the world.

His arrival shows that the battle for the trident is not as simple as one imagine, that the weapon is not some kind of low level weapon and that it might affect the world

The trident might be a powerful artifact but it is just that. It is not the first time that the world has seen a powerful artifact.

But if Loki is there, and all of these pirate lords also scramble for this trident, then this trident might be the real deal.

It is the arrival of these bigshot in that battle that convinced the world that the trident truly possesses great power

It might truly be able to do the things it was advertised to do.

Control the seas of the world.

In the past, this would not matter that much. But after the Multiversal Convergence, it is very important.

Because the sea in the world right now, is not normal seas. All the designated ten seas are all magical seas with its own ecosystem and uniqueness.

Even Death Monarch says that even if he were able to change the course of the sea and change the direction of the sea, he could not strip away what made it special.

Loki appearance in that battle is already shocking but then The One Eyed Oracle Erika arrived in Narwhal. Narwhal is known to be one of the properties of the Seven Warlords of Greece

It seems that the connection between the One Eyed Oracle and the Seven warlords of Greece is still going strong

A more shocking things happens afterward

coming out of that magical submarine is none other than the infamous Void, the former leader of the Crime Alliance.

Even those who did not know much about politics could see that there is a great conspiracy here.

The battle was fought, Raymond and Sofia was defeated, Kaiju origin as an Otherworlders, someone from the Dragon race is also exposed.

And the trident falls into the hand of the Pirates.

If the story is true and the ability of the trident is true, then right now, those world leaders is probably going to have a headache right now.

All of this happens in one day. Things has already happened. Now, the entire world is waiting for what the world power would do

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Azief sighed as he leans back on his chair.

'Long day?' a voice echoes in the large room.

Azief did not see anyone but he saw a snowflake flies into the room, gently like a leaf being blown by the wind and he smiles

The snowflakes then shine with bright light before morphing into a woman. A woman of great beauty, long black hair, a piercing blue eyes that shines before it turning into green appear in front of him

Wearing a white robe that sways left and right like there is gust of wind swirling around it, this woman is none other than Katarina.

She came to him and kiss him in the cheek. Usually, such cute act would make Azief feel a bit happy. But his face did not change and the frown is still there on his forehead.

Katarina sighed and said

'I guess this time the problem is really big' Azief rub his temple and sighed.

'Hirate did not know' he suddenly said.

'The Trident?'

Azief nodded.

'You think he is telling the truth?'

Azief sighed and nodded.

'He is telling the truth. He knows that the trident possess great power but he simply thought of it as another replica of a true Divine weapon. As you know such things are powerful and do add up increasing one ability in attacking or defending depending on the artifact' Katarina nodded.

'But, he did not know that the trident is the real trident of Poseidon'

'How can you be sure he does not know? How can you be sure that he does not lie?'

'Heh' Azief snickered as he said

'A weapon that could even hide and constrain me? If he knew that the trident is that powerful, he would send every available power he could to snatch that trident'

Azief then continue

'He might act with more finesse and a little bit subtler but he would surely send his elite to accompany Raymond to get that trident. Don't be fooled by his face of cooperation and his alliance with us. He proposes cooperation because he knows he could not go against the general trend. And that general trend is me. If he could overturn the general trend, he would have'

Azief goes silent for a while.

Katarina also knows what happens. But unlike Azief, she did not have that many worries. It is not that she is simple.

It is simply because there are only a few things in this world she cares about and wanted to protect.

It is her brother.

And Azief.

And a few of her maidens and some people she could call friend.

The people she wanted to protect could be counted in one hand

this is why many people said that Katarina is not suitable to become a politician. The only reason she insisted in staying as the High Chancellor is to support her brother.

Out of the many rulers in the world, she is the only that is so carefree because most of the administration is handled by her brother.

She knows why her brother wanted her to sit at that seat.

And she sits on it to help him. If she doesn't like it, she knows Boris would rather see her not sitting on that seat.

But she wanted to help. And Boris could not stop her. So, she sat on the seat. However, sitting on that seat, she rarely does anything

It is also fortunate that the Republic is unlike Pandemonium in that there is not only one voice.

If Pandemonium could be likened to a conglomerate with an inherited family, then the Republic is like a huge corporation that break the position of power of a conglomerate family and hired management specialist to oversee their company

The reason why the Republic could survive those early days is because they pooled their intelligence together and work together to find the most perfect solution.

So, she did not know what to say right now. Or what to suggest to Azief

But she thinks for a moment. And she has question.

Because even though she is not fit to become a politician, she does learn how to become a Queen when she was in the Seresian world.

Just because she is not interested in it, doesn't mean she doesn't know. She thinks for a moment, and she could see the many problems that is plaguing the world right now

She doesn't care about the world but Azief clearly cares about it now. So, she would care for a moment

'The explosion? Did you know who did it?'

Azief shakes his head

'I have been in video conference with the other world powers. We have a few suspect. It is still under investigation. And Jean ability to recreate the time scene is ineffective. Whatever bomb that these pope, sues, it messes with time and space. It also messes with the perception of Divine Senses.

Katarina thinks for a while and she thought about the explosion and then her mind reaches to a conclusion

'It was a demonstration' Azief look at Katarina and nodded.

The bomb did not kill anyone.

It hurts a few people and create massive damage to the infrastructure but in terms of casualties, with all three Divine Comprehension leveler making a move, no people was killed in the attack.

At first, Azief thought he had succeeded in foiling the plan of the mastermind.

The building could easily be rebuilt. But the more he thinks about it, the more he thinks this is not so much about killing people.

But it is more like as spectacle.

If it's, what does these people in the dark wanted to display?

This thought of him is also shared by the other world leaders

So, when they brainstorm their mind and started thinking about it, they reach the conclusion that the bomb is a demonstration of a new kind of weapon.

The bomb itself is unlike any bombs in the vault of the world powers.

It needs more research and more observation, but the properties it exhibited is unlike any other weapons that any of the world powers possesses.

It not only messes with Time and Space, it disrupts Divine Sense, s much so that nobody notices the explosion

It is only after it exploded that Azief and the other two Divine Comprehension leveler notice that there is an explosion.

They know that some weapons do disrupt Divine Sense. There is many such weapons or warding, shields or formation that could disrupt Divine Sense

But, none was as strong as this. That even Divine Comprehension leveler divine sense was interrupted that badly.

The traces of the bomb are also very minuscule, as its energy could not be trapped. Order of Thinkers would send some of their researchers to Arturia

Of course, they also said they could only send it after they solve some of their problems in the Blood Sea

And that is the objective. That is what the people behind this want to show to the world.

Yes, they did not manage to kill anyone. But they did do something.

They sow a seed

And that seed is germinating

They show to the world that it needs three Divine Comprehension leveler to contain the effect of the bomb.

It shows that the Three Divine Comprehension leveler did not notice the bomb until the first explosion.

And it shows that the world powers could not use Jean time and Space manipulation to track the people behind the scene.

And that is a very effective advertisement.

Yes, they might not be able to fight against the world power. But such a bomb being detonated in their regions where no Divine Comprehension leveler is present...

It is a weapon advertisement and Azief, Hikigaya and Jean is the model.

'What are you planning to do?'

Azief sighed and said

'I don't like being used like this'

Katarina then jump onto his lap. Azief was shocked a bit but he opens himself up and let her fall on top of his lap

He did not want to but he could not help but laugh at the situation. Smiling, he asks

'Hah...what are you doing?' he could not help but chuckle at the situation.

'No one ever did this to you'

No one ever dare

'Then I am the first' Azief shakes his head and laugh. The problem is still there. But for some reason, he did not feel the burden that much

Katarina then said

'I know that the problem is serious. I know the matter involves the world, space and the Universe' she said it with rising tone, emphasizing the world, space and the Universe with dramatic flair.

'But, with you, when does it not affect this thing. You remember our times in the Seresian world. Sure, we have monsters and demons to fight, but at the end of the day, we have time to appreciate the sunset, wake in the morning to watch the sun goes up. The scenery is a bit different but when we left that world, it is kind of beautiful.'

'So, this is your way asking me on a date?'

Katarina laugh

'You think of yourself too highly, dear.'

She kisses him in the lips and he kissed her back.

They were familiar with each other and they were familiar with each other lips. And kissing is like a habit.

A habit that they both shares and like.

She broke the kiss and look at him, her eyes that is pure and beautiful, looks ta his eyes. One different than the other.

She knew the story behind it. Azief did not hide a lot from her. Of course, there is a part of him that he would not share. And there is a part of her that she could not share either.

They know that only time would solve this.

She flicks his nose and said

'Sometimes, just take a break. I know the whole world seems to be relying on you right now. And I know why you are doing all of this. But, even if you owe them something, take a little break sometimes'

And she kisses him again. This time on top of his nose.

And she jumps from his lap.

She sighed.

'Will is here. I guess it is time for you to solve the world problem again. I guess I should be prepared for this. That is what I get for dating the strongest man in the world' she said while chuckling

Azief wanted to ask her about what she talks about with Jean. There must have been some progress with their talks regarding Boris.

But he halted himself.

If she needed help, she would ask him.

because that is how she is.

And Azief also knows that the more he does not meddle in this matter, the lower the possibility for it to go wrong.

The Republic does not like him that much.

Even though they are thought to be allied with each other, everyone on both sides understands that the point of alliance is between Azief and Katarina.

It is a personal alliance instead of a world power alliance.

It is for that reason the conflict that should have broken out years ago only broke out now and with such a shocking conclusion.

Because of that, it would be better for him to stay out of her way when negotiating.

'There's that frown again' she said. Shaking her head, she said

'You think too much'

He nodded.

'It would not be like this for long. When I settle this.... when I pay back what I owe...then I am going to rest'

Katarina only look at Azief and she did not know whether to believe it or not. Even if he did not want to meddle in the affairs of the world, his position would not allow him to do

So, to this promise she could only sigh. And Azief knows why she sighed and he also sighed.

He knows it would not be easy.

As long as he lives in the world, how could he truly be free of the world?

There are people and there is relationship so he could not just go up and leave

But, he still wanted to truly to keep this promise.

He could only think of it as a wish he wanted to fulfill.

'I'll meet you later' she closes her eyes, her energy become unstable and the space around her began to sparkle.

and then she turns into a snowflake before disappearing from the room. The only thing she leaves in the room is the spiraling gust of wind that has the coldness of winter.

Azief caress the wind, feeling the cold on his hand and he smiles bitterly.

Zzzst!

A second later a flash of a purple lightning flashes in to his room. Azief sighed and then thought to himself

'Once again, I am back in the mortal world handling the affairs of the world'

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The sound of electricity crackling reverberates all around the room.

The gust of wind that is in the room was pushed away by an invisible force and the coldness of winter is replaced by a warm energy that fills every inch of the room.

Will the Golden Speedster in the room!

And he came inside with such incredible speed.

Usually when he came with such a speed, any place that he runs through would be left with a mess either from his speed generating kinetic energy or high moving lethal winds or flames trails left by the speed of his movement.

But nothing was pulled along with him and the room is not affected much.

There is no flame trail all over the compound nor are there any spiraling storms or powerful force that tears everything apart.

Azief smiles and said

'You now even have the time to put everything in its place. And I could see your control over the Speed Source has improved. No more mess.'

Will smiles and said

'I know you always hated my entrance. You called it too messy. So, I decided to train myself a bit. Restrain a bit of the destructive nature of infinite potential'

Azief laughed as waves his hand and the chair on the other side of the room slides toward Will.

'Have a seat'

Will sit down and Azief offers him a drink.

He shakes his head. His expression become solemn and then he said

'It's serious. Lot of things had gone out of control'

Azief sighed. He is still calm.

Because in this world, he is still the most powerful person

The problem might not be simple, and it might be hard but it will never be something that is impossible for him to settle

He let Will get his energy back up to speed first. For a moment there is only silence inside the room. Then after a while Will said

'I'm good now'

Azief nodded

There is a silence between them before Azief said

'Thank you for the hard work' Will hearing this smiles a bit.

Azief smiles a bit. When he left Earth, there were many things he had prepared. There was always a chance that he would never get back to Earth.

There is a chance he might die in Seresian world so there were many things he had prepared beforehand.

Some of those measure now need to be retracted.

His journey to the Seresian world was anticlimactic.

When he got there instead of an epic battle between him and the Demon King, the matter has already been settled, Katarina is already safe and there was nothing for him to worry about

But an anticlimactic journey does not mean that he did not get any benefit at all.

Instead, he learns many things.

About his connection with the Creator, about the invisible force of fate and destiny and how powerful that force truly is.

He learns that the Karma he had sown before has already taken shape in a different time and space.

But the most shocking thing of all, is that he knows there is a Creator.

That the galaxies, realities, and everything that have ever existed on every place on every corner of all universe is created by an entity.

That it has a trace of him, an essence of creation that comes from him, like a divine spark that fills the lifeless void with life and creation

He knows that the Orvanian has some kind of relationship with the Creator and from what he guessed this relationship is not exactly a cordial one.

He knows some secrets of the Universe and has gained many things in this anticlimactic journey

So, he is not complaining

But as he looks at Will, there is one thing he regrets. If he knows that the journey would be safe, he would not put such a heavy burden on his friend.

A word of thanks could not truly express the gratitude he felt. Will has done a lot for him. And now, he is asking ng his help again

While Azief say here, Will has been meeting the other world leaders and circling the world to see some information.

This could not be helped.

Will is the only he could trust and is capable of doing the things he asked

The only one that could move freely in this world is the Three Divine Comprehension leveler.

Other than some forbidden places, they could go almost anywhere by teleporting so the question of distance does not really come into the equation.

It is a luxury not many people could say that they have. Right now, to travel from one continent to another would take years because of how large the world is right now.

But Azief need to stay here for now. There is no certainty that the moment he left, the people who blow up the Dome of Arturia would not make anther move.

And Jean also stay here for the same reason. Hikigaya on the other hand did not need to stay here and has already gone back to Japan.

But eh will come here when summoned. He wanted to make sure that the Emperor is safe.

Other than these three people, there is only a few other people in this world that could truly move freely in this world and with fast speed.

One of them is Warp.

Unlike Azief teleportation method that would get distorted by the Turbulent Sea force field, Warp ability to teleport all over the world is not that affected.

The other one is Will. He did not need to teleport because he could simply use his physical body and with his speed, he could easily travel to far away distance quickly.

And because he is a Speedster the turbulent space and time around the Turbulent Sea does not affect him that much

There is nothing more effective in breaking through the space and time disturbance in the ten seas other than using their own physical body. And no one moves as fast as Will.

So, Will had to be the messenger.

Using any other remote communication usually would result in the communication being distorted and the signal is low and took a long time to be decrypted or enhanced enough for anyone to make a conversation clear

And today, they need fast communication. But, right now, he needs the report

'Is it rude if I ask you to report now?' Will shakes his head

'Then me everything you know' Will nodded and then he began telling everything that he heard and all the things he sees

He tells him everything he had learned about the explosion and the request he got. The matters of the world are spoken about, each one is earth shattering revelation.

Azief who was asking question, listening and interjecting Will report slowly, his face become hard and solemn.

Six months he was gone. And a lot of things had changed. And the change is very drastic. And the events of the world are very much unstable.

That night, Azief did not come to Katarina bed.

That night, he did not sleep.

And the rest of the world is also the same. In dark corners of the world, people are scheming and plotting.

In the world there is many people that heard the news and saw a sign.

To them, today event signifies many things. Some people thinks that this is the moment for them to made a move

Some began scheming and plotting

All over the world, eccentric people see the news and they all have their own reaction to it

There is a mad scientist in his lab, grinning looking at his own personal customized computer

'What a weapon!' he exclaimed as he looks at one of the footage of the explosion in Arturia.

The footage itself is very distorted and hard to restore. Because the disturbance of time space also affected electronic devices.

But the recording device that he had created is one of a kind. Even so, it still could not capture the explosion.

Instead of being frustrated by this, this mad scientist is even more enraptured by the bomb used in the attack.

'If there are a few modifications made to this type of explosive, then it is not a pipe dream to truly contain the levelers of the world with technology. The hybridization of magic and science.... would be more than possible'

Then he added

'Even those Divine Comprehension levelers.....hehehehe'

And he laughed, his laughed echoes all over his room

In another part of the world, there is a magician. He has a tall hat, comical looking even., He wear black jacket that is long and showy, white shirt underneath that black jacket.

There are a few orbs like things in his hand. He throws it in the air and it floats.

His eyes are full of hatred and his heart is full of darkness. The Magician of Aleppo. He is inside a large room. On the walls of the room, there is many schematics and designs.

And the design of bombs is also stacked on the wall.

there is many research notes sprawled all over the white surface of the ground.

'Record: manage to hide from the Divine Sense of Death Monarch, Time Manipulator and Illusionist Archmage. However, this stealth mode only works for a short period of time. Distorts space and time enough for it to cloud the judgment of Time Manipulator.

Suitable to be sold to the Crime Alliance.

End Record'

The Magician sighed

'It is still not good enough. But this is good enough for me to gain some buyers. I need more resources to continue my research. Magic alone is not enough' he mutters to himself.

He goes to the wall. This is where he does his research. There is a lot of advancement in his research. His talk with Paul Koch also opens a new world for him

Paul Koch is pioneering anew kind of research. He is intending to create something that is part magic, part biological, part divine

With their heads put together, they believe that they could create one of a kind device or weapon.

He wanted to integrate a few discipline of the world into his creation.

He looks at the wall but then he shook his head. Tonight, for some reason, he does not want to bury himself in research.

Instead, he goes to one part of the wall that is not covered with research paper. There is only one picture. And it is the picture of his family.

There is a trace of tenderness in his eyes. It is hard to see amidst the hatred and the anger. But it is still there.

Tonight, he also could not sleep.

And in some other place of the world, the Sun had just shows it face. And in that place, there is a red table inside a dark room, surrounded by five people.

They discuss only about two things. The explosion in Arturia. Fingers are pointed to the Bratva, raised voice echoes all over the dark room

When that matter is shelved, they would then talk about the trident.

There is five people around the table, but there is one other seat. And this seat is empty.

And then they stopped arguing. Because they know as long as that person did not come here to explain, their arguing would go to nowhere.

They are waiting for the Sixth Seat of the Red Table, Loki the Trickster

In another part of the world, the moon is shining bright, there is no clouds covering the sky. The moon shines its light the ground and on the ground, looking at the heavens above is a middle aged man.

But this is not his face and it is not his true appearance. He is the last of his kind. He did not come here from other parallel dimension. But he came here from a very distant galaxy.

The last son of his planet.

Searching for salvation in this planet. He looks at the moon with determination, clenching his fist.

And then he keeps walking ahead.

That night is a sleepless night for everyone.

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Whoosh!

The wind rushes all over him and then he stops

Azief is looking at the Sun, his eyes did not squint at all

'These kinds of days are also necessary' he mutters to himself.

the sun just breaks the darkness of the night and dawn is approaching. And he is now floating in the sky, among the clouds.

In the morning he likes to see the sun showing its face. But it is different seeing it here on Earth.

Because the earth he is in now is a very different Earth than when he left it six months ago.

Still, it is a beautiful world.

'Maybe, it is even more beautiful now' The Multiversal Convergence changes a lot of things. But Azief would not say that all the changes are bad.

Some even improve Earth tremendously.

The wind is cold but it did not affect him and the wind is also harsh but it turns into a breeze that simply flutters his robe instead of making it flapping wildly. Azief sighed

He did not sleep at all last night.

Instead, he was preoccupied with many thoughts.

There are many things he now knows and many new problems he needs to solve.

'If this is all the things I have to do, then sooner or later, I would ignore my training and I would regress' he sighed.

This is the reason why he rarely interferes with world affairs.

This is also the reason why he rarely governs or do anything on the affairs of the world

he only moves when people provokes him. because he knows once he stepped his feet in this muddy ground, he had to deal with the filth.

But, this time it is his fault. And so, he has to deal with it. All of the things that he had sown, he must be the one that reaps it now that it has grown.

He tied the knot so he must be the one that unravel it

All of this started when Pandikar died.

And he is trying to solve the cause and effect of everything that had happened since then. He did not blame Pandikar.

That man was the one that made him step into the world stage.

But, the decision was always his decision.

'I have to repay the world and clear my debt. Only then could I breakthrough with a peace of mind'

'Repay the Karma that is owed' he thought to himself

Azief had uses his time in the Seresian world not only to get new technology for the world but also finding ways to break through

He was lucky the last time. He is not sure that he would be lucky every time.

This time the energy of the world is enough to support his breakthrough. And he also has his own ideas of how to breakthrough.

He is also ready to once again fight with the Heavenly Will.

Before, the Heavenly Will is weak and did not have power. The moment it has instincts; it tries to attack him.

Of course, for that incident, Azief was the one that provoked him by trying to become stronger than the Heavenly Will

Azief would be surprised if the Heavenly Will did not do anything to him at that time.

And when Azief own, he got the authority of the Heavenly Will that he had never relinquished.

Azief knows as long as he did not relinquish this authority, the Heavenly Will would always treat him like an enemy.

Because his Grand Path seems to surpass the Heavenly Will itself.

The Heavenly Will protects the world but it also has the desire to control the living beings of the world. Because what is important to the Heavenly Will is the survival of the world itself and not the living beings inside it.

The Heavenly Will is on the side of the world and not of humans and animals and everything that lives inside the world,

The only reason it did no attack is because Azief holds one third of the Heavenly Will and also because he is stronger than the Heavenly Will itself.

The developments are not right. It should be the Heavenly Will form first and then the human's beings risen up.

Heavenly Will is like the will of Earth itself, its consciousness.

It is there but never could do anything. The All Source gives this consciousness a shock and bring it out

Azief sighed again

'If I breakthrough on Earth, the Heavenly Will will bring down another Heavenly tribulation' But even though he is saying this, there is no worries on his face.

There is many thing he needs to be worried about. But this is not one of them

He sighed and then Azief look at the horizon in the distance and he could imagine his plan coming into fruition.

After this is done, the world would be in peace. But then he thought about Kaiju. About Loki. Void, Erika and her cohorts, the Red Table.

The figures of the world flashed by in his mind.

These are the seeds of instability.

But then he shakes his head

'As long as the foundation is strong, these unstable factor could not shake the world' he thought to himself.

Azief had been planning to wash his hand out of the matters of the world.

If he didn't have Pandemonium, it would have been easier.

He did what Pandikar asked him to do.

he stepped in and rein in the world.

But as he grows stronger and stronger, and there is more thing he wanted to protect, he also realizes that sometimes, him doing nothing is better for the world

It is not an excuse. It is just that he is too big now. Once he makes a move, the move affected the entire world

And because of that, he now knows there is no longer any needs to be to active

He shakes his head

'I'm getting ahead of myself' he mutters to himself. He has all of these plans in his head

But he knew, he needs to solve the current problem first.

The Ten Realms needs to be established.

He still needs to meet with the other world leaders and discuss the distribution of the world.

Who gets which sea, which lands and how much lands should they get. What kinds of lands and what kinds of resources and so on and so forth.

They probably would argue about it endlessly.

He thought of all of these tedious work. But he decided to tackle it head on.

After this, I would go into seclusion and breakthrough.'

It is for these reason that Azief did not mind entangling himself in what he believes a boring affair.

He always has the ability to become a ruler.

But his heart was never into being a ruler. Or a king or an Emperor

He only seeks the highest peak of power.

Because he believes that it would protect him and protect the people he loves

And in that journey of seeking power, he also found out who he was, what he would be able to sacrifice and what he wouldn't sacrifice.

The seeking of power is like a seeking of yourself, a journey of self-discovery.

There is a grand path and this grand path follows the heart.

And as such you would know yourself. And as long as you dare not confront yourself you could not find your grand path

And maybe this is why all of those powerful beings all have powerful confidence in themselves and why they always insisted that they are right

Because even if it is wrong, they could make it right.

Azief thought of all of this and as the sun finally dawn he flies even higher and then flies through the clouds. He did not fly in high speed velocity instead he is flying very slowly, one hundred kilometers per second.

The clouds parted way for him and there is a smile on his face. It is a hobby he picked up on Seresian world.

Flying in the sky.

Azief realized that even with all the powers he has, he rarely enjoys it. So, now before he goes into seclusion, he wanted to solve everything and enjoy everything he could

Whoosh!

The sound of him flying in the sky echoes down to the ground. The dawn breaks and as people began getting up, and going out of their house, they could see a trail in the sky

A shining light, a streak in the sky, a blur of white and black like it is melded together in the sky, travelling in a speed like that of a fighter jet

Everyone knows who it is and some look at that figure with fear and some look at it with awe.

This has always been the case.

The strongest man in the world.... this is not a figure that people could see easily.

But at least for these past few weeks, they would be able to see such figure in this city.

In a balcony on one of the many palaces in the center of the city, there is Hirate. He is sitting on a chair. In front of him is a round table with bread and soup with a few side dishes.

Opposite him, sipping a peculiar milk tea is Raymond. They both look at the sky and they could see with their eyes who is flying in the sky

To others it is a blob of blur, of white and black. But to the eyes of Hirate and Raymond, they could see Death Monarch clearly.

'he is enjoying it; don't you think?'

'It's not wrong' Raymond said

'I just never expected it of him to be like that. It seems he does know how to enjoy himself'

He paused for a second before saying

'Or was it his journey to the Seresian world that change him a bit' then Hirate added

'He always seems so.....stony'

'Stony? Is that how you want to describe him?'

'he never cares about how people describes him anyway'

Raymond nodded. He takes another sip of the milk tea. Hirate look at him and said

'How is your injury?'

Raymond did not immediately answer. He slowly put down his cup on the table

'This milk tea really does have healing properties.'

'The barista here has special abilities. It is an unexpected find for me too'

Raymond then sighed.

'It is a pity that I lost the trident'

Hirate smiles bitterly.

'If I knew what I knew now, I would not simply tell you. I would mobilize all of my elite personnel. Even if we got into an open war with the Crime Alliance and the Pirate Lords, I would not care.'

He sighed again as he shakes his head

'the key to control the sea'

One could not help but hear the trace of regret in his tone of voice when speaking about the trident

Hirate continue

'And with you holding it, even if you did not break through to Divine Comprehension leveler, we would have rose to our rightful position again. There is no need to compromise so much with Japan or having to bow down our heads to the Republic. We could even stand tall in front of Pandemonium'

There is silence between them as Hirate seems to lose his mind in his pondering.

'Controlling the Ten Seas' Raymond could hear Hirate mumblings.

Raymond shows a complicated look at this.

It is shocking how a few months have changed the distribution of power in the world

Raymond and Hirate also began to understand that in this brand new world, as long as one person could reach to a certain level, the populace could be ignored.

But, they don't want a world like that.

So, they could only sigh at the impermanence of mortal affairs

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The sigh is long and hard, containing many deep emotions that are hard to verbalize.

The breezy wind of the ocean passes them by as their robes and hairs moves a bit, blown by the wind.

The wind has just enough of strength and just enough of coolness to give it that breezy cold.

Raymond could not help but thought of Hirate words.

'Controlling the Ten Seas'

He knows what it means and the whole world knows what it means.

Anyone who could truly control the current ten seas would shake the dominance of Pandemonium as the top world power.

Though, Raymond doesn't know if that is good or bad for the world.

He looks at Hirate

Raymond could understand Hirate feeling of wanting to once again rose to the top. Before Pandemonium existed, there is only one behemoth in the world and that is the World Government

The vision that Hirate created connected people and they link up with each other. Say what you want about him but it is true that because of him, Japan did not fall into a civil war.

At that time with Hikigaya and Oreki splitting Kanto and Kansai, the feud between west and the east.

Hikigaya mediate between the two, uniting Japan and putting them under the World Government.

From that, he controls the Emperor and uses the Emperor to legitimize the power that he held while stabilizing Japan

then he began contacting people in the world, creating an alliance of strong people.

In the beginning Hirate even contacted people in Norway, Sweden, the European nation to join.

And those who join is aided by the people of the World Government, eliminating monsters and quickly stabilizing the region. If there is no World Government, the initial years after the Fall would be even more chaotic

And for a moment, the World Government is the top force in the world. And then there is the Republic, with Boris uniting the former Russia creating a confederation of allied states.

It is the answer against World Government. Unity or freedom. That is the question they asked the world.

But even then the World Government was still at the top, having the advantage of being the first and having a peaceful and safe environment in Japan compared to the rest of the world

Japan is one of the nations who were not affected that much with monsters as most monsters that spawned in Japan was not that dangerous or impossible to kill like the one that appears in China or Australia.

But then, Death Monarch appears. And the moment, he was recognized as the strongest man in the world

Since then a new force appears.

And when Pandemonium was created, it became the most powerful force in the world, owing to one person.

Still, World government is still on the top, number two, second only to Pandemonium. And for years it stays that way.

But now, it is not even the third

The world now recognizes the changing influence between the world powers.

Everyone acknowledges that the number one spot for the most powerful force in the world still belongs to Pandemonium

Many people believe as long as Death Monarch did not die, and the world power did not gang up against him that spot would always be his

However, this state of dominance by Pandemonium is not all bad.

After all, because of it, there is stability in the world and if there is a war between the great powers, they could plead to Pandemonium to mediate the issue

Raymond was lost for words for a second. On how to console Hirate.

His old friend. In the end, he could only sigh and tell him his honest thought

'I know how you feel, Hirate. But, right now, it is not too bad. If we learn anything from the past few years, is that our enemy should not be the other world powers. There are beings outside the sky that began looking at us. And their gaze is not particularly comforting'

Raymond chose not to say too much about Pandemonium dominance.

Hirate nodded.

'I know. But we still have to possess speaking right. I just could not help feeling that we lost a great opportunity'

Raymond smiles as he takes a sip of the milk tea and put it down.

'I will not be too sure about that. I think we still could make a comeback' There is a confident smile on Raymond face

'You're going to meet Death Monarch?' Raymond nodded.

'What do you think he wanted to talk to you about?'

Raymond smiles, closes his eyes and lean back on the chair and said

'I have a pretty good idea what he is going to talk about.' Raymond then explain his thought to Hirate and Hirate frown for a moment before there is a smile on his face.

'I didn't think of that. There is a great possibility that is what he would do. But, are you sure that he is that generous?'

'he helped Hikigaya didn't he? He did not mind it that much. As long as he still sits in the position of the strongest person in the world, there is not many things that would make him wanting. And I believe that Death Monarch of today is more about balancing the world powers'

Hirate nodded. He could see from the previous plan that Death Monarch brought up that he seems to want to settle the affair of the world

It almost feels like he is rushing. But, after talking with Raymond, it seems that Raymond might understand Death Monarch better than him

It might be because they stand at a higher position than him. The position of power. Hirate is different from Death Monarch and Raymond.

They seek different peaks and this is inevitable because they have different aspiration.

'There is many problems' but before Hirate could speak again Raymond held up his hand.

'Wait'

'Wait?'

'For what?'

'There is no reason for us to be so anxious to solve the world problem. Since Death Monarch wanted to settle the world, he must have his own plan. This time, it is better to just go with the flow'

Hirate eyes narrowed.

Raymond is a smart guy, yes, he knows this.

But politics of the world and the complicate relationship between forces and factions, if he could see through it all during his time in the Quorum Council how could he be manipulated by those old foxes and would rather be the Supreme General of the World Government.

It is because even though he is smart, he did not like administrating.

He seems to share the same trait as Death Monarch and the other powerhouse.

Jean is also like this.

He clearly has the power to simply bulldoze all opposition and sit at the highest seat of the Senate yet he keeps his position and did not overstep his position

Yes, some people said that Jean fear Death Monarch.

But, Hirate knows that is not true. Jean might not be as powerful as Death Monarch in terms of explosive power.

But, if push comes to shove and if it is something Jean deemed important enough, he would fight

A coward will not become an Emperor.

Jean before he mellowed down nearly conquered all of Europe.

Many people outside Europe does not know how they come close to being dominated entirely and this is at a time where monsters still roam the Earth wantonly.

Jena not only conquer states and nations, but he also pacifies the nation and states he had conquered by defeating the monsters there, bringing stability and much needed safety.

That is why even though he tore through Europe at that time, and many people hated him, there is also many people who supported him.

To defeat him and halt his advance many European nations banded against him together.

If not for that and the fact that the monsters are all over Europe, Jean advances through Europe would be unimpeded

Hirate knows a lot about Jean deeds because before he joined the Republic, he was a member of the World Government.

Yes, the World Government also works with other European nations to contain him.

That kind of person who fought against the world afraid of someone? Hirate doesn't think so.

And there is also the fact that Death Monarch owes Jean a lot of things.

And they share a secret.

Hirate also knows that the one responsible for the Multiversal Convergence is not Loki.

After all, he made a deal with Loki and he is the one that inform the world that Loki is the culprit.

It was him that made Loki a scapegoat.

Of course, this is a deal between him and Loki. Loki told him to make him a scapegoat.

And Hirate did it.

Not because he wanted to protect Death Monarch.

He always dislikes Death Monarch and he would never do something that intentionally would make Pandemonium stronger

But he did it.

Because for once, he did not do something for himself, or for the World Government but for the world.

Hirate accepted Loki request because Death Monarch must not be the villain of the world. It would make the world unstable and the world would not have been like it is today.

And because of that he very much admire Loki.

With the sacrifice of one person, the whole world is now peaceful like this.

There is no major war between the world powers and while there is hundreds of problems on Earth right now, it is still something that could be resolved and did not affect the world that much

Hirate sighed suddenly

Raymond asked

'Why the sigh?' Hirate laughed and said

'I was just reminded of some past story' he said as she takes a sip. He looks at Raymond, thinking who is instructing him from behind

Jean could not

Jean confronted both Will and Death Monarch. And he even tries to stop them from using the Time Space Tunnel to see the future

So, Jean shares something with Death Monarch. Even though he knew what had happened, he shuts his mouth because he knows to protect the world

And Loki also owes Jean because he shut his mouth.

The world also owes him.

These three points alone would make Death Monarch to hesitate to act against him unless necessary.

Even if Jean took the high Chancellor position, as long as he did not kill Katarina, Death Monarch would overlook the matter because the matters of the Republic is not exactly the matter of Katarina.

So, there is no basis to the rumors that Jean is afraid of Death Monarch.

It is just that these people when they reach the position that they are in, there is no need to conflict with each other when there is nothing worth fighting about

Not to mention there is entanglements of Karma between them.

And as for the reason he did not take any position of power after becoming the Left Chancellor, that is something that puzzled him also.

Hirate admit that he does not understand how these people think of power.

It is the same for Hikigaya.

If he kills the Emperor and take his place and proclaim himself Emperor, it is not like anyone would ever try to contest that position from him

For some reason, these powerful people really does not treat the world powers peak position as something that is desirable.

They seem to seek something else, pursuing something that Hirate does not understand

But, it is because of this trait, that he now looks at Raymond differently. Raymond is the same as them

But today, he is speaking world politics like a seasoned politician

Hirate is frowning and then said

'This is not something you think for yourself did you?' Raymond look at Hirate, his old friend and sighed

'I thought I wanted to act a bit. It seems my acting is not that good if it could easily be seen like this'

Hirate however is not in the mood to joke around

'Who told you this?'

'Our old acquaintance' Raymond did not let the buildup continue as he spits out the name

'Loki'

Hearing Loki name Hirate clench his fist and his aura inadvertently spills out a bit

'You seem to be angry at him'

Hirate harrumphed

'He deceive me.' Raymond look at him, not understanding what he is talking about

Hirate sighed and then said

'The one giving me the news about the trident was Loki. He clearly knows what that trident could do but he said to me that it is a simple replica of a divine artifact and that it could help you breakthrough to Divine Comprehension. He clearly could tell me the true power of that trident.' Hirate is basically fuming right now.

Raymond hearing this look at Hirate and then laugh

'Well, you already know that he never speak the full truth. Why would this occasion be different?'

Hearing this Hirate was silent for a few second before he shakes his head and chuckles, he nodded and continue sipping his drinks.

'I really should have known better' and he laughed at himself. The morning in Arturia is peaceful, full of light and hope

Even after all the shocking events yesterday. Because, the world still has Death Monarch.

The morning ended like this as the Sun is getting higher