

Chapter 88 Back To Her Post

Rhonda arrived late at the Sloan family's house, but Eliam had not yet returned.

Rhonda had grown accustomed to having Eliam by her side lately, so his sudden absence left her feeling a bit uneasy.

The next morning, Rhonda woke up with a feeling of constriction in her chest.

As she opened her eyes, Rhonda noticed a heavy arm lying on her chest, making it difficult for her to breathe.

And the owner of the arm was still in sound sleep.

Rhonda attempted to move Eliam's arm away, but he promptly placed it back on her chest.

Rhonda was irritated, and for a moment, she felt like biting him. However, she couldn't bring herself to do it in the end.

She assumed he had returned late and hadn't slept much, so she let him rest.

Rhonda had a restless night and couldn't sleep well. As she pondered over this, she eventually drifted back to sleep.

She didn't wake up again until ten o'clock.

By then, Eliam had already left for work.

When she tidied the room, Rhonda noticed a red mark on the collar of Eliam's shirt from the previous night.

Upon closer examination in the sunlight, she realized it was a lipstick stain.

Though she didn't want to appear suspicious, Eliam had taken a long





time to take Diana home the night before. Seeing the lipstick mark, Rhonda couldn't help but let her imagination run wild.

She hadn't cared about such things before, but now that she was in love with Eliam, her feelings of jealousy intensified.

Rhonda was filled with so much rage that she tossed Eliam's shirt into the garbage bin.

At that moment, Margret called and requested Rhonda come to the office to discuss something.

Rhonda suspected it related to the tax-saving plan she had created.

Rhonda hurriedly cleaned up and hurried to the company.

As she anticipated, Margret announced to everyone that Rhonda's tax-saving plan had been accepted by Sloan Corporation.

Rhonda's team not only earned entry into the project department of Sloan Corporation's branch company but also received a one hundred thousand dollar bonus from Eden Accounting.

Naturally, Rhonda would share the bonus with Fiona. However, Fiona insisted on giving the entire amount to Rhonda since she hadn't contributed much to the tax-saving plan.

In the end, Rhonda still gave half of the bonus to Fiona.

When Margret handed the check to Rhonda, the envious expressions of Ella and others were impossible to ignore.

"Miss Welch, wasn't Rhonda let go a few days ago? She's no longer employed by our company, so how can she receive a bonus?" Ella questioned.

"Who told you she was fired?" Fiona shot back. "That's just a rumor. People like you can't stand to see others doing well and spread malicious gossip when they're most vulnerable."

Fiona's background and upbringing made her unafraid to voice her opinions, even when they were unpopular.



This trait also made others wary of her and even led some to despise her.

Despite being a seasoned middle-aged woman, Ella paled in the face of Fiona's blunt retort.

"Miss Welch, the new employees in our company lack manners!"

"Enough, both of you," Margaret interjected, her expression stern. "Lately, there have been some unfortunate events within the company. I'm sure everyone knows who's in the right and who's in the wrong, so there's no need to dwell on it. However, I must clarify Rhonda's employment status. It's true that the HR department initially issued a dismissal notice for Rhonda due to allegations about her personal life and potential harm to the company's image. However, after further investigation, these claims were found to be false, and the notice has been withdrawn. Rhonda remains an employee of Eden Accounting without question."

Margaret continued, "Additionally, since George's termination, the company has decided to redistribute his team members into other groups. We have gained two new members. The two individuals are named Cristina Grey and Paget Hunt."

"Paget is Isabella's best friend. She's quite cunning, so be cautious around her," Fiona whispered to Rhonda.

At that moment, Margaret invited Cristina and Paget, who had been waiting outside the conference room, to come in and meet everyone.

Paget was a plump woman with a plain face.

Cristina caught sight of Rhonda with just one glance.

After a brief moment of eye contact between the two, Rhonda averted her gaze.

Margaret introduced the two newcomers.

Then she announced the names of those assigned to the project team at Sloan Corporation's branch company.

Besides Rhonda and Fiona, Cristina and Paget were also on the list.

Ella had only been interested in joining the project team for the bonus. Now that she hadn't received it, she didn't care whether she was selected or not.

Nonetheless, Ella wasn't pleased when she learned that Cristina and Paget were included in the project.

"Miss Welch, why were they chosen instead of us?"

"Mr. Hawkins wishes to nurture new talent and provide them with more opportunities to gain experience. Besides, Rhonda is leading this time, which has already brought prestige to our group."

Cristina scoffed, catching the attention of Ella beside her.

After the meeting, Fiona insisted on celebrating with Rhonda.

Just as they walked out of the door of Eden Accounting, they saw Santino standing at the door.

Furthermore, he was holding a bouquet of flowers in his hand.

"Rhonda, today marks our 4th anniversary. I'd like to take you to lunch and celebrate," Santino said earnestly.

"Santino, don't you recall that we've broken up?" Rhonda was rendered speechless.

"Rhonda, can you give me another chance? I promise to treat you well this time." Santino offered the flowers to Rhonda, continuing, "See, these are your favorite roses. You used to ask me to buy them, but I refused, thinking it was a waste of money. Now, I'll buy them for you, no matter how many you want. I can give you a bouquet every day."

"Was it you who sent me flowers every day?"

"Yes. I thought you would guess it was me." Santino was a little disappointed.

"What? You're the one who sent flowers to Rhonda? I thought..." Fiona couldn't contain herself. "You've broken up with her; why are you still bothering her? Don't you know she's married now? Her husband is far more attractive than you."



"Santino, why are you here?" Cristina's voice chimed in from behind. "I went to your apartment to find you. They told me you had moved out. Why did you even change your phone number?"

Upon seeing the flowers in Santino's hands, Cristina approached with excitement. "Are these flowers for me? How did you know I was here?"

Santino's expression tensed as he replied, "These flowers are for Rhonda. It's the 4th anniversary of our relationship."

"What are you saying? Do you want to get back together with Rhonda? What about us?" Cristina exclaimed, unable to contain her emotions.

"Cristina, I've already repaid the one hundred thousand dollars you took from the company. To come up with the money, I had to move out of my apartment and live in a shabby basement. What more do you want from me?"

"Santino, have you lost your conscience? Why do you think I took that money? It was all for you!"

"For me? Are you implying that I'm a burden to you?" Santino shouted angrily, "Your monthly expenses exceed mine! How dare you claim that I'm a burden? Rhonda can manage on just five hundred dollars a month. Can you? Even five thousand dollars wouldn't satisfy you! You're a spendthrift! I was so foolish to betray Rhonda for someone like you!"



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