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Chapter 728 10: Artificial Sun

"What exactly is that hunk of metal protecting?"

Upon receiving the intelligence from Feng Rong, Shu Hai, who was already somewhat confused, became even more bewildered.

Because no matter how you looked at it, Demon Vanquishing Seven didn't seem to be protecting any creature.

Whether it was in the core area at the beginning or the Demon Vanquishing Seven now fleeing rapidly...

Shu Hai had never seen the shadow of a second creature.

"In the end, do we have to resort to force!"

Taking a deep breath, Shu Hai took a sudden step forward.

The next second, Shu Hai's figure suddenly appeared directly in front of the fleeing path of Demon Vanquishing Seven.

— Divine Power: Shrinking Inches!

Shu Hai's sudden appearance was too abrupt.

Even with an integrated quantum system, Demon Vanquishing Seven had no time to react and crashed right into it.

Bang!

In an instant, a huge echo was produced where the collision took place.

Using his flesh to block Demon Vanquishing Seven, Shu Hai was directly smashed into a pulp by the high-speed charge of Demon Vanquishing Seven.

And Demon Vanquishing Seven, due to this collision, rolled over into a nearby pit.

As the dust settled, Shu Hai, whose body had reformed, waved away the dust flying in front of him.

"Fortunately, the intelligence provided by Feng Rong this time wasn't wrong."

Walking up to the overturned Demon Vanquishing Seven, Shu Hai's voice remained calm and composed.

According to Feng Rong's intelligence just provided, since the underlying logic of Demon Vanquishing Seven didn't have any issues, it absolutely would not harm any of the Mountain and Sea People.

No matter the method, once Demon Vanquishing Seven harmed the Mountain and Sea People, its internal program would automatically cease operation.

Obviously, in the program judgment of Demon Vanquishing Seven, the recent impact was considered harmful to Shu Hai.

After all, even Shu Hai himself wasn't sure if having an Immortal Body meant that his being shattered counted as harm in Demon Vanquishing Seven's program.

Fortunately, the creators of the "Demon Vanquishing Series" weren't so insane to change the harm judgment specifically for the Immortals.

"Warning... Warning..."

"Dangerous entity approaching... Protection program forcibly terminated..."

"System data being scanned... Self-check program initiating automatic update..."

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Watching Shu Hai approaching step by step, the body of Demon Vanquishing Seven began to change rapidly like flowing water.

The crystal clear, smooth liquid metal twisted and changed, driving the built-in Transformation Module of Demon Vanquishing Seven to operate at an overload pace.

Unfortunately, the command to "not harm the Mountain and Sea People" overrode the "rescue the wounded," causing the Transformation Module of Demon Vanquishing Seven to never reassemble into a new form suitable for addressing the current situation.

"Those guys really managed to create a monster..."

It was only upon really approaching Demon Vanquishing Seven that Shu Hai realized the terrifying nature of the opponent.

The main body was modified and corrected at the atomic level through high dimensional expansion, making it virtually indestructible by any external force.

The Transformation Module, which represented the pinnacle of "Artificial God" technology, endowed Demon Vanquishing Seven with the ability to adapt to any extreme environment and extreme damage.

Disregarding the strength level and purely considering technical superiority, Demon Vanquishing Seven could completely crush the series of previous "Artificial God" mecha.

The cutting-edge "Artificial God" technology gave Demon Vanquishing Seven a body approaching the limits of this dimension.

Shu Hai dared to claim that even if their own Yao Xin sister personally intervened, it would probably take a lot of effort to completely destroy Demon Vanquishing Seven.

In a sense, Demon Vanquishing Seven was "invincible" in the current material dimension.

"Automatic update failed, self-termination of program..."

"Unknown code detected, terminal program being modified..."

Just as Shu Hai was contemplating how to bring this hunk of metal back, the words that followed from the other side instinctively shocked him.

"Warning! Prohibition of modifying this program!"

"Warning! Unknown code intrusion... In... trusion..."

The form that was changing and flowing gradually came to a halt, and a strange red light began to appear on the surface of Demon Vanquishing Seven.

Immediately after, nearby high-energy solar particles seemed to be summoned by something and began pouring into the body of Demon Vanquishing Seven spontaneously.

Whoom!

It sounded like the cry of a bird, yet it seemed more like the sound of high-frequency vibration of solar particles.

As more and more high-energy solar particles flooded into the body of Demon Vanquishing Seven, a gigantic solar flare was gradually forming.

Chaotic magnetic fields, high-energy particles, along with that invisible storm...

Shu Hai, who was close at hand, didn't even react to what had happened before he was disintegrated at the atomic level.

Scream— Boom!

A silent explosion flashed by instantly, obliterating all matter within several kilometers.

And located at the center of the solar black spot, Demon Vanquishing Seven, whose program and commands had been forcibly altered, began transforming again.

Click... Click... Click...

It didn't transform into a more hostile form, nor did it evolve a more targeted weapon.

After a brief transformation, Demon Vanquishing Seven turned into a crimson sphere suspended in mid-air.

The high-energy particles around continued to flow into the body of Demon Vanquishing Seven, making its surface, which was already crimson, shimmer with an almost flame-like illusory sense of exuberance.

From afar, it even looked like an "Artificial Sun."

"Is it simply to absorb more solar energy?"

Reborn outside the annihilation range of several kilometers.

Shu Hai gazed at Demon Vanquishing Seven and finally felt a real sense of crisis.

If Demon Vanquishing Seven, which had its program commands forcibly altered, evolved an even more powerful weapon.

Shu Hai would only consider that a matter of course and had long been prepared for a battle.

But causing such a huge spectacle, Demon Vanquishing Seven did not transform into a stronger form; instead, it became just a vessel for accumulating energy.

Shu Hai could clearly perceive that the energy of the entire high-temperature area was converging towards Demon Vanquishing Seven.

Moreover, as the energy converged towards Demon Vanquishing Seven, the rules that were originally expanding outward also gathered back together.

"Is this... entering into a collapse state ahead of time?"

Thinking back on what Feng Rong had told him, Shu Hai couldn't help but squint his eyes.

According to observations by the Mountain and Sea Civilization on other worlds, this abnormal high-temperature area would naturally collapse inward upon contact with native creatures.

Then there would be a devastating fire that sweeps the world, and the abnormal high-temperature area would disappear for a while.

When the fire extinguishes, a new abnormal high-temperature area would emerge and repeat the previous cycle.

"Could it be... that this hunk of metal now also counts as a 'creature'?"