

Toxic Ex 541

Chapter 541: Miss Xiaoxiao is in Trouble

Leng Yixiu glanced at her, then took a folder from his desk, flipped through it, and quickly understood the purpose of Shi Yi's visit.

"So, does Miss Shi have any objections to the promotional plan?"

"President Leng, I think your company's choice of spokesperson is too hasty."

"Oh?" Leng Yixiu raised an eyebrow slightly, "I don't see it that way."

Leng Yixiu's indifferent attitude made Shi Yi particularly unhappy. She took a deep breath and said word by word, "President Leng, can you keep your personal and professional matters separate when it comes to the game endorsement? I admit, in terms of appearance, Miss Gu does stand out, but her temperament is not suitable to endorse our game. Besides, Miss Gu is a newcomer and doesn't have any obvious advantage compared to the current popular stars."

"What Miss Shi said does make some sense, but what if I insist on having Linlin as the spokesperson for this game?"

Leng Yixiu's words instantly ignited the suppressed anger in Shi Yi's heart, "Leng Yixiu, what do you mean by this? This game is the result of countless sleepless nights from Lei Man's R&D department, it embodies the heart and soul of many people. If you want to promote your fiancée, can you please not drag Lei Man into your madness? Lei Man is not obligated to go crazy with you!"

The man lazily leaned back in his office chair, glanced nonchalantly at Shi Yi's flushed face due to anger, and said slowly, "Your opposition is just because you are worried that Linlin's endorsement might affect the game's promotion and cause losses to Lei Man. But you can rest assured, if there really are any losses, Leng's will be solely responsible."

Leng's will be solely responsible?

Shi Yi's eyes widened in disbelief, is this man insane?

"President Leng, is Miss Gu Yilin really that important to you?" Shi Yi asked word by word.

"Yes." Leng Yixiu lowered his eyes, seemingly talking to himself or to Shi Yi, "You will never understand the feeling of regaining what was lost."

"Are you so sure that Gu Yilin is your ex-wife?"

"Can a DNA test be wrong?"

Shi Yi was left speechless by his words. Physical resemblance can be achieved through plastic surgery, behavior can be imitated, even voices can be disguised, but DNA cannot be faked. No wonder Leng Yixiu is so certain that Gu Yilin is the person he's been waiting for, he had long compared her DNA with that of his ex-wife.

Shi Yi gradually calmed down. Since Leng Yixiu had already been blinded by emotion, nothing she said would change his mind now. However, she would not let Leng Yixiu have his way.

She suddenly curved her lips into a smile and said to Leng Yixiu, "Since President Leng has said so, I have nothing more to say. However, I need more than just a verbal agreement. To be safe, let's go through the proper procedures. Since President Leng said that Leng's would be solely responsible for any losses, everything must be put in black and white. Please ask your lawyer to draft a contract."

Leng Yixiu is crazy, but she won't go mad with him. She had to think of a way to secure the maximum benefit for Lei Man.

The man did not object, just gave a deep glance at Shi Yi, "Miss Shi really leaves no loopholes in her work."

"If I left any loopholes, wouldn't I be eaten up with nothing left in the business world?" Shi Yi said with a fake smile.

She had suffered losses because of Leng Yixiu before, she wouldn't let Lei Man suffer the same fate!

Leng's people worked very efficiently. In just half a day, the lawyer had drafted the contract and sent it to Shen Xu's office. At the bottom of the contract, Shi Yi saw Leng Yixiu's strong and powerful signature, her feelings were mixed, not knowing whether to feel relieved or annoyed.

Shi Yi carefully read through the contract, then swiftly signed her name under the party B section, and had one copy sent back to Leng's.

Shen Xu teased with a smile, "Didn't expect that Leng Yixiu is such a romantic, loving beauty over his empire."

"Aren't all men like this?"

"Who said that? I keep my public and private matters very separate. But seriously, Leng Yixiu's recent actions are really puzzling, first the quick engagement with Gu Yilin, and now this, sometimes I wonder if he's been cursed or something."

"Not cursed, just blinded by lust."

Shen Xu deeply eyed Shi Yi and teased, "Why do I sense a bit of jealousy?"

"Shut your mouth! Get back to work!" Shi Yi slapped him on the shoulder.

"Ouch! Alright, alright, I'm going to work, right away!"

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An hour later, the contract was sent to Leng's office.

Leng Yixiu glanced indifferently at the folder in Assistant Chen's hand, then said in a deep voice, "Just leave it here, I'll look at it later."

"Yes, President Leng." Assistant Chen said, then retreated.

The man buried his head again and continued to deal with the work. At this moment, the phone on the desk suddenly vibrated. Leng Yixiu glanced at the caller ID on the phone screen, seeing that the call was from Sister Yi, he put down the pen in his hand and answered the call.

"Hello?"

"Sir, the little miss, the little miss..." Perhaps because she was too anxious, Sister Yi couldn't complete a sentence.

Hearing this, Leng Yixiu frowned and a sense of foreboding surged instantly. He calmed his mind and said in a deep voice, "Sister Yi, don't rush, speak slowly."

"Just now... the kindergarten teacher called, said the little miss fell after class... she bled a lot and it won't stop..."

Hearing this, the man immediately realized the seriousness of the situation. He interrupted her in a deep voice, "Where is Yixun now?"

"The kindergarten teacher has already taken her to the hospital... she should be arriving at Shengde Hospital soon."

"Alright, I know. Sister Yi, you go there first, I'll be there right away." Saying this, the man had already risen from his seat, striding out.

Leng Yixiu ran several red lights. When he arrived at Shengde Hospital, Sister Yi and Old He were waiting outside the operation room.

The man glanced at the still tightly closed operation room door and asked in a deep voice, "How's the situation?"

"Miss Cen is operating on the little miss, I don't know the specifics, but just now when she was wheeled into the operation room, she was bleeding a lot..."

Before Sister Yi finished speaking, Old He gave her a look from the side, making her swallow the last word.

However, having heard so much, Leng Yixiu naturally understood what Sister Yi meant. Outwardly, his face showed no change of expression, but the slightly trembling fingers hidden under his sleeves betrayed his emotions.

Chapter 542: You Are Not Mom!

Although Leng Yixiu was not trained in medicine, he still had some basic understanding and knew very well what continuous bleeding implied.

The man stood silently outside the operating room, his eyes fixed unblinkingly on the indicator light by the door, feeling as if time was infinitely stretched, and his heart was burning with a searing pain.

After an unknown amount of time, the door of the operating room finally opened, and Cen Lin stepped out. She removed her mask and approached Leng Yixiu with a heavy look on her face.

"I didn't expect it to happen so soon."

Cen Lin's simple words instantly struck Leng Yixiu to the core. Although Cen Lin did not elaborate, Leng Yixiu quickly understood the meaning behind her words.

After a long while, Leng Yixiu found his voice and cautiously asked, "How much time is left?"

"The platelet and red blood cell counts are rapidly decreasing. At this rate, we have at most one year."

"Okay, I will find a suitable bone marrow as soon as possible."

Cen Lin gave Leng Yixiu a deep glance, knowing well that her words were cruel to him, but she couldn't help but speak the truth. "Finding a matching bone marrow for Xiao Yi Xun is not an easy task, and even if we do find one, there's a high risk of rejection."

The man's eyes darkened, and he nodded, "I know."

Cen Lin was right. Since discovering Xiao Yi Xun's condition, he had mobilized all his resources to find a suitable bone marrow, but he still hadn't succeeded.

But he couldn't give up this only hope and watch Xiao Yi Xun's life slip away bit by bit in front of him.

"I have a suggestion that might be the most effective way at the moment," Cen Lin said.

"What suggestion?"

"Is Gu Yilin actually Lin Yixun?"

Leng Yixiu hesitated for a moment and then nodded.

"If that's the case, it would make things much easier. You can have another child, and the current issue will be resolved."

"Are you suggesting using the umbilical cord blood?"

"That's right. The hematopoietic stem cells in sibling umbilical cord blood are the best choice for a bone marrow transplant with the least chance of rejection. Since you and Gu Yilin are already engaged and plan to have a second child sooner or later, you might as well solve everything at once."

Leng Yixiu couldn't deny that Cen Lin's proposal was a viable solution. However, for some reason, he felt an inexplicable resistance deep in his heart.

He didn't know why but felt that something was wrong somewhere.

Seeing Leng Yixiu's hesitation, Cen Lin patted his shoulder, "Xiao Yi Xun doesn't have much time left. You need to make a decision quickly."

"Alright, I understand." The man nodded.

After the surgery, Xiao Yi Xun's bleeding finally stopped. Shortly after being transferred to a regular ward, Xiao Yi Xun woke up. As soon as she woke up, she started clamoring for her mother. So, Leng Yixiu called Gu Yilin and asked her to come over.

When Gu Yilin arrived, she had even brought a small gift for Xiao Yi Xun. However, Xiao Yi Xun didn't seem to welcome her and immediately swatted away the stuffed toy, crying out, "You're not my mom! You're not my mom! I want my mom! I want my mom!"

This situation left Gu Yilin feeling awkward. She turned to Leng Yixiu with a look of grievance in her eyes, "Leng Yixiu... Yixun she..."

Leng Yixiu stepped forward, opened his arms, and embraced her, "The child is still young and may not be able to adapt immediately. She will slowly accept you in time."

Gu Yilin nodded, "I know I haven't been a good mother. I wasn't there for her when she needed me most. It's only natural she doesn't recognize me and feels distant from me."

"It's not your fault. You were injured at the time. None of this is your fault." Leng Yixiu gently patted her shoulder, "You have an audition at the company early tomorrow. Go home, rest, and adjust your state. I'll pick you up after the audition."

"Okay." Gu Yilin nodded.

Leng Yixiu's eyes flashed with something but quickly concealed it. He turned to Old He, "Old He, you send Miss Gu back."

"Yes, sir."

Even though Gu Yilin had left, Xiao Yi Xun continued to cry and clamor for her mother. Leng Yixiu felt somewhat powerless. Her mother had clearly just been here; why was she still crying for her mother? He had never thought Xiao Yi Xun would so strongly reject Gu Yilin. Isn't it said that there's a natural bond between a mother and her child?

And Gu Yilin...

Reflecting on Gu Yilin's reactions earlier, Leng Yixiu's brows furrowed. Although she smiled while interacting with Xiao Yi Xun, her eyes lacked the loving and gentle gaze characteristic of a mother. Furthermore, when he suggested she go home to rest, she didn't hesitate at all before agreeing.

Leng Yixiu's eyes darkened. Was he overthinking things?

He comforted himself that Gu Yilin's reaction was understandable, given that she had suffered a head injury and forgotten everything about her past. It was perfectly normal for her to struggle with the sudden appearance of a daughter in her life.

He thought, given enough time, she would gradually adapt to the role of a mother. However, how should he bridge the gap between them and promote harmony in their mother-daughter relationship?

Feeling exhausted, he rubbed his temples, sensing that his strength was waning.

Sister Yi, seeing Leng Yixiu looking troubled and fatigued, hesitated before speaking up, "Sir, the little miss constantly crying is not a good idea. How about we call Miss Shi over?"

Upon hearing this, the man squinted his eyes, "Why should we ask Shi Yi to come?"

"The little miss keeps calling for her mom, and the 'mom' she's referring to is none other than Miss Shi."

"Shi Yi is not her mother."

"But in the little miss's heart, Miss Shi is. Sir, you know the little miss well. She has the same stubborn personality as her mother. If she doesn't see Miss Shi, who knows how long she will keep crying. Her wound just stopped bleeding; if it reopens, that would be troublesome."

Leng Yixiu understood that Sister Yi wasn't without reason. But asking Shi Yi to come didn't seem like a wise choice. First, he didn't want to entangle further with her, knowing she wasn't Lin Yixun; second, even if he did make the call, she might not come.

Chapter 543: Wedding Invitation

However, seeing Xiao Yi Xun crying endlessly, Leng Yixiu eventually wavered and found Shi Yi's phone number, dialing her number.

When the phone rang, Shi Yi had just finished her shower and walked out of the bathroom. Seeing that it was a call from Leng Yixiu, she hung up without a second thought.

She didn't think Leng Yixiu would call for business this late at night. If it was for personal reasons, she had no obligation to answer. Although she couldn't deny that she had once been a little smitten with this man, now that he had a fiancée, she certainly wouldn't keep any ties with him.

As for Leng Yixiu's fiancée, although she looked exactly like his late wife, she gave Shi Yi a strange feeling, as if something wasn't quite right. And in fact, Shi Yi's intuition was correct.

Gu Yilin had just returned home not long ago when she received a phone call.

Her eyes darkened, and she said in a low voice, "Is there something you need?"

"Can't I just call you for no reason?" A man's voice came from the other end. "How are things progressing?"

"Everything is going smoothly, except for some trouble with Leng Yixiu's daughter."

"It's just a four-year-old child, nothing to worry about. You just need to gain Leng Yixiu's trust."

"Mm." Gu Yilin nodded, then suddenly remembered something and asked softly, "There's something... I want to ask you. If... Leng Yixiu wants to take things further with me, what should I do?"

The man naturally understood what Gu Yilin meant, and a cold smile tugged at his lips. "If he wants it, you have to give it to him."

"But you only asked me to get close to Leng Yixiu and obtain internal information from Leng's. You never said I had to sleep with him."

"But I also never promised you a clean exit."

"You!" Gu Yilin clenched her fists but couldn't find words to retort.

"Miss Gu Yilin, since you agreed to cooperate with me, you should have expected this situation. Leng Yixiu is not a monk; naturally, he has needs. If you want to gain his complete trust, you'll have to make some sacrifices."

"Aren't you afraid I might walk away in the middle of this?"

"Ha ha... Would you? Think about yourself, and think about your mother. Would you let your mother end up dead on the streets?"

"Are you threatening me?"

"No, this isn't a threat. I'm just negotiating. I'm a businessman. I spent a lot to make you look like Leng Yixiu's late wife. You should at least let me recover my costs, don't you think?"

"What grudge do you have against Leng Yixiu? Why do you want to go after him?" Gu Yilin asked the question in her heart.

"That, I can't tell you for now. Just do your job well. Get close to Leng Yixiu, gain his trust, and find an opportunity to obtain valuable information."

After tossing out these words, the man hung up decisively, leaving Gu Yilin standing by the floor-to-ceiling window, furious and conflicted.

She was originally just an ordinary college student, planning to graduate peacefully, find a job, and live a tranquil life. But fate had never been on her side, simply because of her gambling-addicted mother.

Four years ago, her mother had racked up a huge debt and was nearly beaten to death by loan sharks, dragging her down with her. It was then that a man named Zheng Hao appeared, not only paying off all their debts but also treating them well.

However, nothing comes free in this world; everything has a price. That man saved them for one reason: she bore a seven-point resemblance to Leng Yixiu's late wife.

To make her look even more like Leng Yixiu's late wife, her face underwent numerous surgeries over the past four years, gradually becoming identical.

Additionally, Zheng Hao somehow got hold of video footage for her to mimic the late wife's every gesture and expression. She spent four years like this, eventually unable to distinguish whether she was Gu Yilin or Leng Yixiu's late wife—Lin Yixun.

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That night, Xiao Yi Xun suddenly developed a high fever, with her temperature soaring to forty degrees. Cen Lin struggled considerably before managing to bring her fever down.

As she was leaving, Cen Lin spoke to Leng Yixiu earnestly, "Xiao Yi Xun's condition is worsening faster than I expected. You need to take action quickly."

Leng Yixiu understood what Cen Lin meant and glanced deeply at the small figure asleep on the bed, then nodded.

Even though he was powerful in the business world, he couldn't guarantee he would find a suitable bone marrow donor. Time was running out for both him and Xiao Yi Xun, and he had to leave a way out for her.

Three days later, Shi Yi received an invitation. Glancing at the gilded names on the card, a mocking smile tugged at her lips.

Leng Yixiu was really in a hurry. It had only been a day from meeting Gu Yilin to their engagement, and now less than a week later, they were preparing for the wedding. Although the ceremony was scheduled for the beginning of next month, the speed was still astonishing.

Why invite her to the wedding? Wasn't he afraid she'd ruin it?

Shen Xu, observing Shi Yi's expression, saw no change in her face and explained cautiously, "Leng's is currently collaborating with Lei Man. As Lei Man's CEO, naturally you're on the guest list."

"Can I not go?" Shi Yi asked casually.

"If you really don't want to go, it's not impossible. I could go on your behalf."

Shi Yi chuckled, "I was just joking. Since they invited me, how could I not go? Besides, attending a wedding and soaking up the festive atmosphere is a good thing."

Festive atmosphere?

Shen Xu sensed an odd tone in Shi Yi's words and probed, "You're not planning to crash the wedding, are you?"

"Crash the wedding? Ha, Leng Yixiu isn't worth such effort from me!" Shi Yi didn't want to dwell on the topic of Leng Yixiu, so she changed the subject, "Why did you come to see me?"

"Oh, I almost forgot the main thing! I came to talk about the game software development. We're wrapping things up on our end, so you should check it out. If there are no issues, the next step is promotion by Leng's."

"Good, I'm looking forward to it." Shi Yi smiled.

Shi Yi wasn't disappointed. The newly developed game software was even more attractive than Lei Man's previous one. She had no doubt that with proper promotion, Lei Man would make a fortune.

However, what Shi Yi didn't expect was that, just as they were about to launch the game, a major setback occurred—Leng Group's old rival released the game first.

Chapter 544: Scapegoat

Although Leng Group's nemesis, the Guo Group, made some minor modifications to the game, the similarity was still ninety percent. Clearly, this was not a coincidence; someone deliberately leaked it.

So, who leaked it?

For a time, the high-level executives of both Leng's and Lei Man were in a state of panic. This game had not yet been released, and only those in high positions had access to it and the opportunity to leak it. Naturally, both Leng's and Lei Man were furious, and Lei Man held multiple emergency meetings in quick succession.

Lei Man had invested a lot of manpower and resources into developing this software, and now that the game had been stolen by a competitor, Shi Yi was naturally upset.

She had Shen Xu form an investigative team to look into the software theft and discussed the next steps with the company's top executives. However, having been in this industry for many years, she knew in her heart that even if a solution was found, losses would be unavoidable.

That evening, Shi Yi organized a video conference with the major shareholders at the company's headquarters. Previously, due to Leiman's outstanding performance under her leadership, even though some shareholders were dissatisfied with her, they did not openly express it. But this time, using the game software leak as an excuse, some shareholders could no longer hold back.

Even though they were separated by the vast Pacific Ocean, the video conference that evening was destined to be tense. Some shareholders even suggested that if the leak caused the company significant losses, Shi Yi, as the project leader, should bear inescapable responsibility.

For the first time, Shi Yi was speechless. Although there was an element of difficulty in this, she couldn't deny that she did hold some responsibility for the incident.

After the video conference ended, Shi Yi was exhausted. She rubbed her temples vigorously and decided to take a bath to relax. She quietly told herself that it was nothing; she had encountered more difficult situations than this before.

After resting for a night, Shi Yi finally regained some energy. As she entered Lei Man's office, she saw Shen Xu storm in angrily.

Shi Yi couldn't help but ask, "What happened that made even our Manager Shen so furious?"

"I heard that old fart Ashley gave you a hard time at the board meeting?"

Shi Yi's expression changed slightly. She asked with a smirk, "How did you know? Your information is quite up-to-date."

"Never mind where I heard it from. Just answer yes or no."

"Yes, you know he has been at odds with me for years." Shi Yi said quietly.

"Hmph! That old geezer sure knows how to hold a grudge. Who would have thought he'd resent you for all these years because of what happened back then."

"Germans can be quite old-fashioned sometimes. But rest assured, I can handle the current situation. Even if Lei Man suffers losses this time, they won't be able to do anything to me."

"Of course, I know that," Shen Xu nodded. If Shi Yi didn't have this capability, she wouldn't have stayed in the top position for so long.

"I'm just curious about which part went wrong. Logically, every step of our software development was highly confidential. There shouldn't have been any slip-ups." Shi Yi said, resting her face on one hand while gently tapping the desk with the other. "Could it be an inside job?"

"That's what I initially thought too, but I reviewed the surveillance footage of everyone involved in the project and found nothing unusual. I suspect the problem might be on Leng's side. After all, Leng's was also involved in developing this software. We finished our handover with Leng's and then the problem occurred, which makes it hard not to be suspicious."

Shi Yi's fingers froze for a moment. She looked up and asked, "You think it's possible the leak came from Leng's side?"

"It's not out of the question."

Shi Yi's eyes narrowed. "If that's the case, we'll have to settle this score with Leng Group."

Out of caution, Shi Yi reviewed the surveillance footage from the R&D department again. As Shen Xu said, from the start of development to the end, every step followed protocols, and no one violated any rules.

After this investigation, Shi Yi began to believe the fault did not lie with Lei Man, but with an inside issue at Leng's. However, she did not confront Leng's with this conclusion because she believed a company like Leng Group would soon provide them with a satisfactory explanation.

But Shi Yi never expected that instead of Leng's investigative results, she would receive explosive news. This news instantly pushed her into the eye of the storm.

When Shen Xu called Shi Yi, she was still asleep. Annoyed, she answered the call, wanting to scold him for always calling early in the morning.

"Hello, can't you check the time before calling?" Shi Yi complained.

"Shi Yi, something big happened!"

"What big thing? Don't tell me the sky is falling?"

"Worse than the sky falling. Turn on your computer, quickly!..."

Shi Yi followed Shen Xu's instructions, turned on her computer, and randomly opened a website, then clicked on the news page. The moment she clicked it, her attention was drawn to a striking photo.

The photo depicted a man and a woman in front of a five-star hotel in T City. The two stood facing each other, their bodies slightly leaning forward. The man's hand tightly gripped the woman's arm, with a radiant smile on his face, while the woman bowed her head, a slight smile on her lips, seeming both shy and happy. This scene, in the eyes of outsiders, could even be seen as intimate.

Staring closely at the photo on the computer screen, Shi Yi's fingers gradually curled. She didn't recognize the man in the photo, but she could recognize the woman even if she were blind.

Because that woman was herself!

Anyone looking at this photo would think she was having an affair with the man. But only she knew this was just a misunderstanding. She didn't even know the man's name, let alone have any connection with him.

However, the photo didn't look digitally manipulated. Shi Yi strained to recall and finally remembered what had happened. She remembered staying at that five-star hotel before moving to her current residence. Once, she almost tripped on the steps, and a gentleman caught her just in time, preventing her fall.

She never imagined that this scene would be captured by paparazzi and blown out of proportion. And this story could indeed ruin her.

Whether by coincidence or fate mocking her, the man who helped her was none other than the president of the Guo Group, Leng Group's deadliest rival.

At such a critical moment, the release of this photo was bound to lead to wild speculations, possibly blaming her for leaking the game software!

Chapter 545: Do You Think I Did It?

Regarding the software incident, there are already several versions of the story circulating online. The first version claims that Shi Yi is a corporate spy sent by the Guo Group, who had a dubious relationship with the head of the Guo Family. She pretended to collaborate with the Leng Group at first, only to later seize the opportunity to deliver a heavy blow to Leng's. The second version suggests that Shi Yi once dated Leng Yixiu, and when Leng Yixiu suddenly got engaged to Gu Yilin, it enraged her. The leak of the game software was just her way of getting back at Leng Yixiu.

Among these versions, people are more inclined to believe the second one. After all, when a woman gets insanely jealous, she is capable of doing anything.

Shi Yi squinted her eyes, finding the online statements utterly ridiculous. Even if she were jealous and seeking revenge, she wouldn't involve Lei Man and Leng's. That's the least bit of professional ethics.

Shi Yi carefully examined the photo on the screen again. From the shooting angle, it was clear that the photographer had excellent photography skills. It was evident that someone with intentions took the photo and then posted it online, with the clear purpose of framing her for this incident.

She didn't know who was behind this but was very sure that the matter wasn't that simple.

Just as Shi Yi was pondering how to handle the current situation, a call came from Leng's, asking her to come over.

Shi Yi already had a rough idea of what it could be about. Her heart sank slightly. She hadn't expected Leng's to contact her so quickly.

"Alright, I'll be there in a bit," Shi Yi hung up the phone and then called Shen Xu to have him accompany her.

When Leng's asked her to come over, Shi Yi thought it must be for one of two reasons: either to hold someone accountable or to discuss a resolution. Although the online reports had already caused a massive stir in the industry, Shi Yi believed that Leng's wouldn't convict her based on a single photo. Thus, she thought it's more likely that Leng's wanted to discuss a resolution.

However, she never expected that she would misjudge the situation this time.

When Shi Yi and Shen Xu walked into Leng Group's president's office, they immediately sensed something was off.

Shi Yi lowered her gaze, looking at Leng Yixiu who was seated behind the desk, and asked in a deep voice, "I wonder why President Leng asked me to come over?"

Leng Yixiu raised his eyes to glance at Shi Yi. Although their recent meetings had not been pleasant, with Leng Yixiu always having a stern face, this time he seemed even more severe, even his eyes were cold.

He picked up a document from the side of the desk and threw it in front of Shi Yi, "Miss Shi, please give me a reasonable explanation."

Seeing Leng Yixiu's indifferent expression, Shi Yi felt that something was wrong. She turned her eyes to the document on the desk and reached out to pick it up. The document contained only a few thin A4 papers, but the content left Shi Yi astonished.

The A4 papers printed her recent email correspondence, even some spam emails. But these were not the most critical parts. The crucial thing was that one of the A4 papers contained her email records with the Guo Group head, Guo Heng.

Shi Yi's eyes narrowed. Leng Yixiu actually investigated her privately!

This made Shi Yi extremely unhappy. Not to mention, she and Guo Heng had rarely had contact, let alone private communication. Even if there was communication, Leng Yixiu's people had no right to use hacker technology to retrieve her email exchanges. This was her privacy, and Leng Yixiu had no right to do so.

If it were her former self, she would have been furious by now. But at present, she had more important things to deal with, so she could only set this aside for the time being. Glancing at the dates on the A4 paper, she denied firmly, "I have never had any email contact with Guo Heng."

"Is that so?"

"If you don't believe me, you can verify it yourself." Seeing no objections from Leng Yixiu, Shi Yi borrowed a laptop from him and logged into her email.

In her view, being upright, there's nothing to fear. If she had indeed corresponded with Guo Heng, even if she tried to delete the emails, given Leng Yixiu's capabilities, he would still find some loopholes.

However, when she confidently opened her email, the result was unexpectedly shocking. She had never thought that on September 25th, there would indeed be a record of her email communication with Guo Heng, matching the content that Leng Yixiu's hacker retrieved.

What was more distressing for Shi Yi was that an attachment in that email indeed contained the design plan for their latest game software.

"How could this be? How is this possible?" Shi Yi's eyes widened with disbelief.

She had never had any dealings with Guo Heng, not even knowing him personally. How could such an email appear out of nowhere in her inbox?

After pondering for a while, Shi Yi slowly spoke, "I believe my email has been hacked."

"Is that so?" Leng Yixiu curled his lips.

"You don't believe me?"

"Miss Shi, given the evidence, how can I believe you?"

"You intend to convict me just based on this email?" Shi Yi sneered.

"Of course, it's not just this. Miss Shi, you can't have missed today's news headlines, right?"

Shi Yi instantly understood what Leng Yixiu meant. "You even believe that kind of tabloid news? It's just gossip mongers spreading rumors!"

"There's no smoke without fire, and having these two incidents together, it's too coincidental, isn't it?"

Shi Yi suddenly chuckled, "So, no matter what I say, you still won't believe me, right?"

"Heh...even if I did leak the information, why would I do that?"

The man suddenly furrowed his brows and massaged his temples, "You know the reason yourself. In the end, part of this is my fault."

Upon hearing Leng Yixiu's tone, Shi Yi realized that he too believed she had acted out of jealousy and had done something so crazy.

"Mr. Leng, you think too highly of yourself," Shi Yi sneered, raising her chin arrogantly. "Since you're convinced that it's all my doing, what do you plan to do about it?"

Seeing the man frown and remain silent, Shi Yi continued in a grave tone, "I've always heard that the president of the Leng Group handles affairs with an iron fist, showing no mercy to anyone. This time, with such a significant incident causing considerable damage to Leng's, you won't go easy, will you?"

Leng Yixiu stared at her deeply. After a long time, his thin lips moved slightly, "Currently, there isn't conclusive evidence. Leng's will not hastily make a decision on this. However, to avoid suspicion, we ask Miss Shi to withdraw from this case."