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"Mr. Hawk!" Soruns' assistant Li Si looked at old Hawk in surprise, then quickly glanced behind him.

Old Hawk is here, so Mr. Soruns must have arrived too. After all, they're riding in the same car.

Not being at the door to greet them, is this considered a dereliction of duty?

Li Si did not see Mr. Soruns; behind old Hawk were just his own entourage.

"Don't worry, Li Si. Mr. Soruns went back to the residence to get something and will be here shortly. You can still make it in time if you wait at the door now." Old Hawk patted Li Si on the shoulder with a smile, "There's no more need for you here."

Old Hawk's tone was polite enough, but there was no doubt he was ordering Li Si.

This went beyond what a guest should say or do.

But Li Si knew that old Hawk was always like this, and Mr. Soruns did not mind his behavior.

Andrew's rudeness earlier also showed he had learned well from old Hawk.

Li Si weighed the situation in his mind.

It's unwise to offend old Hawk, and Mr. Soruns will be here soon. He should go to the building's entrance, not stay here.

Li Si glanced at Bai Xiaosheng.

No matter how remarkable that young man's identity might be, he is, after all, just a guest. As a guest, the conflict between him and Andrew and Miss Milos is just a guest-to-guest disagreement—irrelevant to the host or himself.

Thinking this, Li Si withdrew his gaze, lowered his voice, and whispered to old Hawk, "Mr. Hawk, that young man... His identity is rather special. Although he offended Young Master Andrew and Miss Milos, I believe he didn't mean to. Please, forgive him as much as possible."

After speaking, Li Si respectfully nodded to old Hawk and left.

Li Si did not say much more, nor waited for old Hawk to question him about Bai Xiaosheng's true identity.

Because, he himself did not know.

Although Bai Xiaosheng had the most prestigious invitation, he was young and his bearing was evident. Li Si thought this person might be related to today's prominent guest—the Asian VIP.

Li Si did not believe Bai Xiaosheng was the VIP.

After all, as Soruns' assistant, Li Si did not handle business matters. Naturally, he didn't know much high-level information. Soruns intended to introduce Bai Xiaosheng with fanfare to everyone later and had not disclosed this to anyone in advance, not even to old Hawk or his primary assistant.

Old Hawk paid no mind to Li Si's warning.

Special identity? More special than his?

He is a close friend of Soruns!

Many influential figures from great families treat him courteously!

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From Li Si's appearance to old Hawk's arrival and their brief, whispered conversation, then Li Si leaving.

All eyes were on them.

After Li Si left, Andrew stepped out from the crowd to greet his father, displaying the Hawk Family's norms.

"Mr. Hawk."

"Mr. Hawk!"

The young guests surrounding Andrew immediately beamed with smiles, each showing their own genteel side and competing to greet old Hawk.

They had all witnessed how old Hawk casually dismissed Li Si earlier and held him in great awe.

Old Hawk seemed like half a host at the gathering, a fact that was enough to make those interested in befriending the Hawk Family even more eager.

Old Hawk smiled, nodded at these young people, and looked up at a few directions to greet other esteemed guests politely.

Once these minor matters were handled, he intended to engage with the VIPs.

Those worth old Hawk's attention actually had backgrounds surpassing the Hawk Family, but with Soruns as this invisible weight, old Hawk could converse with them.

Naturally, he would not waste this opportunity.

In fact, every time the Hawk Family attended a gathering, they garnered great rewards.

This was something even Soruns knew and permitted.

Old Hawk had helped Soruns greatly in the past, and Soruns considered this as repayment.

While old Hawk was surrounded by lively chatter, Milos, on the other hand, remained still and did not approach.

Milos felt that if she went over now, she'd seem like a little girl aggrieved outside, coming home with reinforcements, which was somewhat embarrassing.

Luckily, her father was indulgent to both her and her brother and would not mind such trivial matters.

Lin Weiwei wanted to go over, but Milos adamantly held her back.

Milos thought that Bai Xiaosheng facing off against her father and brother would definitely be unlucky.

Lin Weiwei had helped her earlier, seemed nice enough, and didn't need to be dragged into trouble with that man.

Lin Weiwei saw Milos' intent and found her "kindness" amusing.

Lin Weiwei glanced at Bai Xiaosheng on the other side.

She wasn't worried at all that Bai Xiaosheng would suffer!

At this moment, Bai Xiaosheng still sat casually.

He understood old Hawk's identity from people's discussions.

So what!

In terms of prestige, old Hawk and the Hawk Family truly couldn't compare with him.

Moreover, old Hawk's earlier remarks clearly endorsed his son's actions, suggesting the use of unscrupulous means to threaten others.

Bai Xiaosheng's impression of him plummeted.

If it weren't for those comments, perhaps considering old Hawk's age, Bai Xiaosheng might have risen and offered a token of respect.

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But now, Bai Xiaosheng sat steadily.

Old Hawk briefly greeted everyone, then looked at Bai Xiaosheng.

When he saw Bai Xiaosheng still sitting there firmly, looking at him calmly, he frowned.

He is the Clan Leader of the Hawk Family, a close friend of Soruns!

Here, even guests with significant backgrounds would show him some respect!

This young man saw him coming and dared to sit so steadily!

Old Hawk was very unhappy.

The people by Andrew's side naturally saw this scene too. If earlier they admired Bai Xiaosheng's courage for standing his ground against Andrew, now they simply thought this young man with an Asian face was reckless, unaware of his own identity!

You, a young man, dare to behave like this in front of Mr. Old Hawk, it's simply too presumptuous!

Andrew stood beside his father, looking gloomily at Bai Xiaosheng, briefly telling his father what happened.

Actually, the father and son didn't care about the truth of the matter.

They only saw that their family suffered a loss, and their face was lost!

"Young man, I won't bully you, call your elders to see me!" Old Hawk snorted coldly at Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng heard this and laughed immediately.

"My father is far across the ocean, Mr. Hawk might not be able to meet him. Even if you go over, he might not have time, he's busy managing the newly opened small supermarket." Bai Xiaosheng said with a laugh.

This remark was like telling a huge joke!

It left everyone who could hear it stunned, even the Hawk father and son looked at Bai Xiaosheng in astonishment.

What did he say?

Ask Old Hawk to travel across the ocean to meet his father?

What does his father do? Running a small supermarket? A grocery store owner?

Many people thought they misheard, looking towards those beside them for confirmation.

The people beside them just shrugged, looking incredulous.

"Are you making fun of me?" Old Hawk snorted coldly with a grim face.

"I think he doesn't want to leave Brussels alive!" Andrew affirmed.

Others immediately chimed in.

"Kid, show some respect to Mr. Hawk!"

"Do you know who Mr. Hawk is? You should stand up and greet him immediately!"

"I suggest you apologize to Miss Milos and the Hawk Family immediately!"

"So rude, so oblivious, how did you even get into this party?"

"I think he's courting death!"

The crowd around Andrew was like they were on stimulants, one after another voicing their accusations against Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng calmly looked at Old Hawk, ignoring those people.

Even if he bothered with those people, in such chaos, his voice would be drowned out.

Should he shout at them to calm down?

That probably wouldn't work.

Just wait then.

Once Soruns arrives, everything will be settled.

Bai Xiaosheng was very composed.

Old Hawk looked at him.

After looking for a while, Old Hawk unexpectedly found that this young man's eyes were profoundly deep, remaining calm and composed in such a situation, as if he had something to rely on.

"His identity..." Old Hawk recalled Li Si's words before he left, "Not simple, huh."

Old Hawk sneered.

How complicated could it be!

Seeing his Asian face, could he be related to the distinguished guest arriving today?

Even if he is!

Seeing his age, he's no more than a subordinate, just a messenger!

Old Hawk thought this was Bai Xiaosheng's real identity, the true backing.

He wanted to laugh even more.

In his view, a subordinate is just a subordinate, does he really consider himself important?

At this party today, here, Soruns is the main figure!

And he is Mr. Soruns' best friend, half the host!

"Even if I handle you now, at most wait for your master to come and apologize, saying I didn't know your identity, what can he do to me! In any case, the face of the Hawk Family must not be trampled by someone like you!"

Old Hawk made up his mind, raising his hand to signal everyone to be quiet.

Those who spoke up were already eager to please Old Hawk, seeing him give the order, naturally they all complied, and the scene quickly quieted down.

"I wasn't asking for your family's elders, I'm asking for your master, your background, you can mention it, those things you can rely on. Go ahead." Old Hawk said to Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng chuckled lightly, saying nothing, and actually raised his glass and started drinking.

Bai Xiaosheng wouldn't stand up and loudly proclaim that he is the Executive President of the Greater China Region of Zhenbei Group, that they are all here because of him, this party was held to welcome him.

Then have to prove his identity upon others' requests.

For a regional executive president, that would be too embarrassing!

Too demeaning!

If anything, Soruns should formally introduce him to everyone.

Let everyone, upon learning his identity, look at him with awe!

That is the treatment Bai Xiaosheng deserves.

Old Hawk waited for a moment, seeing Bai Xiaosheng sipping his drink on his own, ignoring him completely.

His gaze suddenly sharpened.

He prided himself on being gracious enough, courteous enough, and verbose enough with this young man!

Now, it seems there's no need to be polite anymore!

The people nearby also pointed and whispered about Bai Xiaosheng's "arrogant" behavior.

They thought this man was mad to dare neglect Old Hawk like this!

Andrew's eyes were sharp, already exposing a fierce aura.

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Lei Ying stood expressionless behind Bai Xiaosheng, but he thought Bai Xiaosheng's reaction was just right!

Over there, Milos was also full of astonishment, murmuring, "He actually dares... to slight my father like this!"

Milos glanced at Lin Weiwei and found that Lin Weiwei didn't show any sign of worry, which surprised her.

However, Milos then said to Lin Weiwei, "He's finished! Absolutely finished! Offending both my brother and my father... No, he's also offended me. No matter what background he has, he's done for! Why not consider the conditions I offered earlier? I'll double it, will you agree?"

Milos still didn't forget trying to poach Lin Weiwei.

Lin Weiwei really couldn't be bothered to pay attention to her.

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In the distance, many guests of high status also looked at Bai Xiaosheng, but they all shook their heads secretly.

If there had been a conflict or friction between Bai Xiaosheng and Andrew and Milos just now, perhaps someone might have thought to come over and mediate.

But now, with Old Hawk stepping in, the matter has become extremely difficult to handle.

Especially since that young man doesn't know the heights of the heavens, even disregarding Old Hawk's face, it's already impossible to intervene.

Of course, there are still no less than twenty people at the party who could calm this matter, but they obviously wouldn't step forward.

Even if Old Hawk sells someone a face, it needs to be repaid.

Doing so for a stranger, or a young man who doesn't know his limits, is simply not worth it.

Some even thought privately, "Now, it's almost time. Soon, that distinguished guest from Asia will arrive. We can't let him see such a coarse scene. Moreover, one side of the conflict has an Asian face; would the guest be pleased?"

"When did Old Hawk become so dilly-dallying? Why not be decisive!"

Many people even invisibly stood on Old Hawk's side.

At this moment, seeing Bai Xiaosheng not speaking and unable to say anything worth considering, Old Hawk directly waved his hand and coldly instructed his attendants, "Come, get this person out of here!"

Old Hawk now wants to act as the host on behalf of Soruns!

Andrew couldn't restrain himself long ago, eager to bring people forward.

Behind Andrew, Harrison, who was hesitating to speak, was a bit uneasy.

He knew the prowess of those two young Asians.

Their skills, even he could not withstand them for a single round!

Seeing Old Hawk's attendants about to move forward, Harrison had no choice but to brace himself and step in front.

As they moved, Lei Ying stepped half a step to the front side, standing by Bai Xiaosheng's side, on guard.

The same old story: Bai Xiaosheng was responsible for the verbal spar, while he was responsible for the physical fight.

The guys on the opposite side still wanted to drive Bai Xiaosheng away; they simply didn't know their limits!

Seeing the atmosphere instantly turn tense, and a "full-scale fight" about to unfold, the young onlookers around Andrew quickly retreated.

However, their eyes revealed excitement, as if anticipating a grand drama to unfold.

Just as the "battle" was about to erupt, a loud shout suddenly rang through the room.

"Stop it, all of you!"

This shout seemed to be someone shouting with all their might.

Subsequently, there were footsteps. A dozen people ran over together, the sound of their leather shoes striking the ground.

The crowd was startled and turned around.

Old Hawk did too. He immediately saw that the one running at the front and shouting was Soruns!

Bai Xiaosheng naturally saw it too, just smiled slightly, and casually placed his wine glass on the table.

Not too early, not too late, Soruns arrived just in time.

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Soruns, panting heavily, headed straight for Old Hawk.

"Old friend, there's a young man here who doesn't know the rules. I want to handle this for you and kick him out, you wouldn't mind, right?" Old Hawk said with a smile, stepping forward.

However, Soruns actually brushed past him directly, during which he gave him a glance full of helplessness and reproach, and a bit of disappointment.

Old Hawk was suddenly taken aback and turned around in surprise.

Andrew next to him also looked on in surprise as Mr. Soruns passed by him.

Everyone's eyes followed Soruns' figure.

Then, they saw an unbelievable scene.

"Mr. Bai, I'm really sorry, I'm late! Are you alright?" Soruns stopped in front of Bai Xiaosheng, finally stopping, a sincere expression entreating Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng stood up with a smile and lightly shook the hand Soruns offered.

This scene entered everyone's eyes, leaving them all in disbelief, stunned like wooden chickens.

"It's alright, it's alright." Bai Xiaosheng said to Soruns with a smile, glancing at Old Hawk, and joked, "Luckily, Mr. Soruns arrived on time, timely intervened. Otherwise—"

"This party you held for me could have ended early!"

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As soon as Soruns arrived, he shouted loudly. Everyone in the banquet hall turned their attention toward him.

The senior figures who had not been paying attention to the "little commotion" over here also looked over.

Among them were individuals who didn't even consider old Hawk worthy of their attention; only Soruns could converse with them. They were truly the elite presence at the banquet.

But at this moment, everyone, including them, was looking at Soruns and Bai Xiaosheng. Now it was truly the center of attention.

Those people even stood up and started walking over toward them.

Both old Hawk and Andrew, along with everyone who had accused Bai Xiaosheng earlier, were surprised to see Soruns apologize to the young man they had just criticized.

And what did that young man say?

He said that if Mr. Soruns had delayed any longer, the banquet could have ended early?

What a joke, this banquet was specifically held to welcome the high-profile Oriental guest; how could it possibly end early?!

Unless...

It could be if the guest wasn't coming or left midway through.

Even if the guest didn't show up, all the guests at the banquet were present, and it could still proceed.

So, there was only one possibility left...

Considering Mr. Soruns' attitude towards that young man, everyone's expressions changed dramatically, and their breathing became rapid.

They thought of a conclusion that felt impossible yet terrifying, and their hearts were suddenly filled with unease.

Old Hawk and his son exchanged a glance of bewilderment, looking at Bai Xiaosheng with disbelief.

Could this person really be the main guest of the banquet, the mysterious visitor from the East?

How could that be possible!

He's so young!

Also, aren't Orientals supposed to pay a lot of attention to grandeur?

He's only accompanied by a few people!

Old Hawk and his son were unwilling to believe it.

But the facts were right before their eyes.

If that young man was just an attendant of the guest, would Mr. Soruns lower himself so much and apologize to him? Would he dare to suggest ending the banquet early?

Old Hawk and his son couldn't help but swallow nervously, realizing that the surroundings had already fallen silent.

The silence was so complete that a pin drop could be heard.

Everyone's expression was stupefied.

The group accompanying Soruns were all top executives from Zhenbei Group's European division, each with a distinguished identity, including the European division's executive president.

Everyone was closely observing, silently watching.

At the back of the crowd, Li Si looked utterly shocked.

He even secretly regretted that he should have been more attentive since he knew that the young man held a VIP invitation, ensuring that the guest wouldn't meet with embarrassment at the banquet, otherwise, he couldn't escape blame!

However, Li Si consoled himself that he had reminded old Hawk.

But Li Si recalled that when he came over earlier, he clearly heard old Hawk instructing to drive the person out, rendering his reminder useless.

Li Si's expression changed again...

Mr. Soruns' assistant was feeling deeply unsettled inside, his emotions fluctuating wildly.

Milos was also staring with her beautiful eyes, speechless and astonished by the scene.

Then, Milos turned to look at Lin Weiwei, only to find that Lin Weiwei's expression remained calm and smiling.

Recalling from a moment ago until now, this girl had always been composed and at ease, never worried about that young man over there...

They clearly had nothing to fear!

Milos came to a belated realization.

"Who exactly are you people?!" Milos swallowed hard and asked.

Lin Weiwei smiled at her.

But she just smiled without saying a word.

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Soruns, in front of everyone, sincerely apologized to Bai Xiaosheng multiple times.

This scene shocked those who had just arrived.

"Mr. Soruns, everything that happened here has nothing to do with you. I can discern that, so you don't need to apologize." Bai Xiaosheng smiled at Soruns, his attitude very courteous.

Upon hearing this, Soruns could only give a wry smile internally.

He clearly understood that Bai Xiaosheng wasn't blaming them but was holding old Hawk and his son accountable!

As soon as Soruns had arrived, Li Si told him about the chaos above, making his heart skip a beat, and he rushed over with his people.

But he was still late!

Old Hawk had actually instructed his men to expel Bai Xiaosheng!

Right in front of everyone!

Soruns felt a headache coming on.

Even if Bai Xiaosheng were magnanimous and kind-hearted, he couldn't possibly let such an incident slide with a laugh as if nothing had happened.

After all, this concerned the dignity of a regional-level president!

If it were him, he wouldn't agree to such a thing!

Soruns, putting himself in Bai Xiaosheng's shoes, truly felt that Bai Xiaosheng was absolutely right.

"I understand, I understand. Mr. Bai, please wait." Soruns spoke courteously to Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng smiled and nodded slightly.

Soruns saw that there were still many important figures heading over, so it was too early to introduce Bai Xiaosheng. However, getting old Hawk to apologize now would help save him some face, and then Bai Xiaosheng might forgive him on Soruns' behalf, thereby resolving the matter satisfactorily.

Soruns turned and headed toward old Hawk and his son.

Bai Xiaosheng, watching Soruns walk briskly over, knew exactly what he was planning.

Soruns intended to calm the storm quickly before everyone had arrived.

Such an action suggested a bit of favoritism, but Bai Xiaosheng didn't mind.

He decided to give Soruns a bit of face.

At this moment, old Hawk was curiously observing Bai Xiaosheng, as was Andrew.

In fact, after their initial surprise, the father and son felt no fear toward Bai Xiaosheng.

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Some were just curious.

Previously, Soruns only told old Hawk that this was an esteemed guest from the East, but who exactly it was, old Hawk did not know.

Seeing Bai Xiaosheng so young, it was unlikely that he was impressive himself; it must have been his formidable background.

But no matter how deep his background, it was in the East, not here.

What Bai Xiaosheng brought to them was not intimidation, but his 'value,' the allure of business in the East.

Old Hawk and his son did not think the previous conflict was very serious.

Just now, that young man himself said, it was all a misunderstanding.

So, let's treat it as a misunderstanding now.

After all, their family was also aggrieved, and Milos was just a girl.

The other was a man; he should be more magnanimous.

Old Hawk and his son even felt that considering the other party's identity, not pursuing the matter itself was an act of magnanimity.

In this world, there are indeed people with 'peculiar' ways of thinking.

Don't think such people can't achieve great things; in the West, some can even become politicians, in high positions.

At this moment, seeing Soruns coming over, old Hawk thought he was coming to introduce the guest to him first, so a smile appeared on his face.

That young man had an impressive background, even Soruns valued him so much, so he should get to know him well too.

Soruns had also mentioned that the guest might aid their Hawk Family's business in Asia, so it was even more important to forge closer ties.

Old Hawk even thought, considering the great benefits, that later in private, he could lightly chide his son Andrew and Millos to give the guest some face.

As old Hawk was pondering, Soruns had already stood close to him, lowered his voice, and said, "Hawk, go apologize to that gentleman now!"

Hearing Soruns' words, old Hawk's smile froze on his face.

His son Andrew was also stunned, looking at Soruns in disbelief.

"Apologize, me, now?" Old Hawk stared at Soruns incredulously, then lowered his voice to remind him, "There are so many people here. And why should I apologize to him!"

Andrew also refused immediately, frowning, "Uncle Soruns, why should we apologize to him! He dared to bully my sister and was rude to my father! Even if someone should apologize, it should be him, this junior, apologizing to my father!"

Andrew's outburst made everyone around hear it.

Everyone was surprised.

Mr. Soruns was actually asking old Hawk to apologize to that young man!

Goodness gracious. When everyone looked at Bai Xiaosheng again, they couldn't help but gasp, their eyes filled with amazement and awe.

What kind of background does this person have, to command such respect!

Soruns frowned, casting a glance at Andrew, showing subtle discontent in his eyes.

This Andrew, whom he watched grow up, he had always been lenient with him out of respect for his father.

Why is he acting so foolishly now!

"Hawk, hurry up and apologize, it's just a matter of a few words; I'll handle the rest." Soruns didn't bother with the young Andrew, turning to old Hawk, urging again.

Old Hawk was clearly reluctant.

There were so many people around, and more were coming, with many juniors present and many important figures arriving as well; why should he, the chief of the Hawk Family, apologize to the other side!

"Soruns, you don't quite understand what happened here. You're pushing me to apologize to a junior, that doesn't make sense. Why are you so biased toward him!" Old Hawk disagreed, even retorting quietly.

Soruns looked speechlessly at his old friend.

Did old Hawk really think he was foolish, unaware of what his son and daughter were like!

Bai Xiaosheng, this young man, at such a young age, could already attain the position of Executive President of the Zhenbei Group's Greater China Region! If he argued publicly about right or wrong with someone, guess who I'd believe, him or you guys! You still question my partiality; I'm trying to help you, alright! Do you have any idea what it means when you don't say it, and what you've lost!

These words, Soruns naturally couldn't say to old Hawk publicly; he could only use his eyes to make one last hint.

Old Hawk showed a face full of resistance.

Andrew also looked unsatisfied and indignant.

Even Milos, who came over, was somewhat dissatisfied, saying to Lin Weiwei, "Why does Mr. Soruns demand my father apologize to that person; even if you have big backgrounds, you can't bully people like this!"

Anyway, Milos felt her family was wronged again.

Lin Weiwei no longer wanted to explain anything to Milos, just feeling all the more that there are always some people in the world with whom reasoning is futile because their logic is simply not compatible with what everyone else believes logically.

Seeing old Hawk's attitude, Soruns realized more and more guests were arriving, and the important figures had all gotten here, he sighed inwardly; all his efforts were wasted.

"Mr. Soruns, the guests have mostly arrived; let's not waste any more time. Can the reception begin?" Bai Xiaosheng said calmly from behind.

In the three or five minutes, allowing Soruns and old Hawk's repeated persuading and hinting was giving face, but since old Hawk publicly refused to give face, he didn't have to insist either.

The Hawk Family, Bai Xiaosheng had found information on them in his mind.

Interestingly, they had long sought partnerships for their subsidiaries in the Asian market but had made little progress.

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For such a partner, Bai Xiaosheng naturally wouldn't agree.

At present, with the arrival of all the guests, Bai Xiaosheng didn't want to wait any longer.

The big figures who gathered around all cast their eyes on Bai Xiaosheng, scrutinizing him.

Being so close, Bai Xiaosheng's every word and action was fully caught in their eyes. Those big figures suddenly realized that this young man was truly extraordinary. A single look, a single gesture, and even a single word, all exuded exceptional qualities. Even they instantly changed their attitudes, beginning to highly value Bai Xiaosheng.

When people reach a certain level, they develop a feeling towards those of the same level, a budding sense of "kindred spirit."

Many people looked at Old Hawk with amusement, and in their eyes was even a faint hint of ridicule.

This time, Old Hawk was very likely to have hit an iron wall!

Being the Clan Leader of the Hawk Family, he shouldn't be so foolish, but after relying on the big tree Soruns for a long time, arrogance, conceit, and ignorance shrouded his eyes and brain.

He had no idea what kind of existence he was facing!

After Bai Xiaosheng spoke, Soruns really turned around and came back to his side.

The young onlookers immediately cast passionate eyes on Bai Xiaosheng seeing Mr. Soruns "obediently" return.

Seeing Soruns leave, Old Hawk was not forced to apologize further, and it seemed the young man didn't insist either. Instead of feeling uneasy, he felt somewhat smug, thinking he had won.

The other party couldn't do anything to him even with Soruns's backing!

Old Hawk indeed had calculations, but they were of a different kind.

He could apologize to the young man, but it had to be done privately.

He would certainly apologize because he still had designs on the Eastern markets and businesses.

But he absolutely couldn't apologize in front of so many people; it would be too humiliating!

The dignity of himself and the Hawk Family couldn't be compromised!

Old Hawk firmly believed that his decision was correct, even if it meant clashing with Soruns.

Andrew, standing beside his father, also felt somewhat proud and smug, thinking his father had upheld the dignity of the Hawk Family.

Even Milos on the other side breathed a sigh of relief, feeling this matter was over.

Lin Weiwei silently distanced herself from Milos, bypassed the crowd, and returned to stand behind Bai Xiaosheng.

Soruns returned to Bai Xiaosheng's side, no longer looking at Old Hawk.

This Old Hawk had his calculations, and after so many years of friendship, Soruns could guess them.

"You miscalculated, old friend; what you lose is far more than you think!" Soruns sighed in his heart.

Although Soruns had little interaction with Bai Xiaosheng, through past information and analysis provided by someone, he discerned that this young man embodied both magnanimity and pettiness. Apologizing earlier or later would lead to completely different outcomes!

Since Old Hawk had repeatedly missed the point, Soruns genuinely didn't want to meddle anymore.

After all, he truly had done everything possible.

"Ladies and gentlemen." Soruns steadied himself, smiled as he looked around, and loudly addressed them.

"Next, I will formally introduce to everyone our mysterious Eastern guest!"

"Mr. Bai Xiaosheng!"

All eyes immediately fell on Bai Xiaosheng, but many people didn't recognize the name.

Among those Soruns brought, the Executive President for the European region's expression slightly changed, looking at Bai Xiaosheng with surprise.

The rest were waiting for Soruns to continue explaining what was so extraordinary about Bai Xiaosheng.

Old Hawk and his son were waiting too.

"Everyone knows, our Zhenbei Group's Greater China Region has a new Executive President, and that Executive President has sparked a resounding reform within our Eastern industry."

"Some have said that those reforms are just within our group's enterprises, so what's so great about that?"

"I can tell you, our group has numerous enterprises globally. This major reform acts like a lever, triggering significant changes that are astonishing!"

"Some enterprises will exit the market, altering regional market share..."

"Others will promote the establishment of new local industry rules and optimize local markets..."

"In Asia, more and more provincial and city governments express welcome to those corporate reforms, even introducing policies specifically in support!"

Soruns spoke spiritedly, "I won't say much more; detailed analysis can be found in the 'Asia-Europe Business Times' and 'Consortium,' two major professional media outlets!"

Soruns was clearly supposed to be introducing Bai Xiaosheng's identity, but ended up talking about these things.

The crowd couldn't help but look at each other, but they had heard of the reforms happening in Zhenbei Group's Greater China Region.

Some business magnates were even thinking of negotiating cooperation with that side through Soruns!

"Mr. Soruns, by saying this, are you trying to tell me that this young man is the envoy from your Zhenbei Group's Greater China Region?"

"Is this young gentleman here to represent that side to negotiate cooperation with us?"

"Does your invitation to us mean that we non-Zhenbei Group families and enterprises can also develop in-depth cooperation?"

People continuously raised questions, many of them of significant status.

Is that so! Such a good thing!

Even Old Hawk couldn't help but swallow a bit.

In his mind, he even thought, had he known earlier, a vague apology just now wouldn't have been impossible.

While thinking, Old Hawk heard Soruns say, "Don't misunderstand, this Mr. Bai Xiaosheng isn't the envoy sent by the Eastern Executive President."

This sentence immediately extinguished the heat in Old Hawk's heart.

The crowd felt a bit disappointed.

Not?

Then why did Mr. Soruns say so much?

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying looked at the crowd's reactions and couldn't help but smile.

"He is not an envoy because he is, in fact, the Executive President of Zhenbei Group's Greater China Region—Mr. Bai Xiaosheng himself!"

Soruns loudly announced Bai Xiaosheng's identity.

With this declaration, silence fell around them!

Everyone looked at Bai Xiaosheng in disbelief, even the numerous prominent figures were shocked into silence.

This young man is the Executive President of Zhenbei Group's Greater China Region!

He is someone almost on the same level as Mr. Soruns!

Old Hawk's eyes bulged, his mouth wide enough to fit an egg, then he felt a blackout in front of his eyes, his body swaying almost to the point of falling.

Andrew was similarly shocked as if hit by a thunderbolt, standing there stupefied.

Even Milos was dumbfounded.

"How, how is this possible!" Old Hawk and his son suddenly exclaimed in unison, echoing everyone's thoughts.

So young, the Executive President of the Greater China Region.

How is this possible!

Chapter 1577 - There will be times when you come to us for help!

As soon as Bai Xiaosheng's identity was revealed, a shockwave akin to an impending landslide or tsunami erupted in the entire venue!

Even those tycoons present couldn't help but take a sharp breath, focusing intently, and reassessing Bai Xiaosheng.

He is actually the Executive President of the Greater China Region of the Zhenbei Group!

It's truly unbelievable!

After the initial shock, those influential families began to look at Bai Xiaosheng with fervent eyes once more.

In the current global market, where is the most enticing place—

The East!

But now, local enterprises in the East are rising massively, offering superior quality and high cost-effectiveness, with increasingly more brands gaining world recognition. Those foreign brands that entered early and cultivated the Eastern market for years are also sparing no effort to seize the market, constantly introducing tailor-made premium products and services for the East.

If the business market in the East seems like an irresistibly enticing cake.

Then its market share has long been clearly divided by domestic and foreign brands.

For the Western brands and enterprises that were "latecomers," who had not entered this market yet but were eager to have a share, it wasn't easy!

Not to mention families like the Hawk Family or even the big figures present have faced setbacks in the East.

The safest and best way to survive there is cooperation.

Cooperating with large "merchants" there, making concessions, and exchanging for a better living environment.

The Greater China Region of Zhenbei Group would undoubtedly be a prime choice for cooperation!

In an instant, in the eyes of everyone, Bai Xiaosheng was no longer that young Eastern man with black hair and black eyes but a golden, radiant "Hermes."

In Greek mythology, the god of merchants, equivalent to the Eastern God of Wealth.

Old Hawk's eyes were almost bulging out.

Andrew was completely dumbfounded.

The youngster they nearly kicked out turned out to be the Eastern giant they dreamt of associating with even in their dreams!

It's simply unimaginable!

It was only now that Old Hawk understood why Soruns had been so mysterious and firm during their vehicle ride, assuring him that this man could solve their immense challenge of entering the Eastern market.

He then realized why Soruns repeatedly urged him to apologize to the young man!

Considering the other's identity, Old Hawk wouldn't even lose face apologizing publicly!

Yet, he refused...

Refused...

Is it still not too late to go now?

Old Hawk felt bitter.

Even if he apologizes, would the other accept it?

Seeing Bai Xiaosheng no longer looking his way but smiling and greeting those real tycoons with Soruns, Old Hawk felt even more bitter and sour.

At the same time, old Hawk had deep resentment towards Soruns.

Why didn't Soruns insist a little more, asking him to apologize...

Why didn't Soruns reveal a bit more information...

Then, he wouldn't have ended up in such an unrecoverable situation.

Outside the crowd, Milos watched in surprise as Bai Xiaosheng was surrounded by big figures. It was at this moment that she realized the foolish one was herself!

She actually wanted to hire the Executive President of Zhenbei Group's Greater China Region, someone nearly on par with Soruns, to read to her. After he refused, she even wanted her entourage to teach him a lesson, and after getting off the plane, she still persistently sought revenge?

Simply, ridiculous!

Milos's face felt somewhat heated, visibly gaining a blush of redness, though it appeared to outsiders like a natural glow on her cheeks.

Despite her shame and anger, Milos continued to gaze intently at Bai Xiaosheng from afar, watching him chat and laugh freely in front of those big figures who even her father couldn't get a word in with.

"Why didn't you just tell me your identity..." Milos's eyes bore a hint of resentment.

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At this moment, Soruns was introducing Bai Xiaosheng to each of the family tycoons.

Soruns had already told Bai Xiaosheng that this banquet not only included the senior management of the Zhenbei Group's European Region but also his "friends."

But in fact, strictly speaking, Soruns was not a friend to everyone. He was merely matchmaking collaborations between these commercial families and Bai Xiaosheng.

Soruns was incredibly proactive in doing these things because he had made arrangements privately with these families: as long as he successfully bridged the connections, these families would also collaborate on another level with the enterprises and institutions he managed in the European region.

This was considered a win-win.

Soruns was naturally happy to pave the way for these connections.

At the same time, Soruns also intended to earn Bai Xiaosheng's "friendship" this way.

After all, if he could help Bai Xiaosheng achieve one big collaboration after another, Bai Xiaosheng would naturally be grateful to him.

Then at the very least, he could rightfully discuss cooperation and concessions with Bai Xiaosheng.

Despite both Bai Xiaosheng and Soruns being under the banner of Zhenbei Group, being in different major regions meant they each managed their own profits and losses.

Their collaborations also wouldn't give much concession to each other.

After all, the group headquarters' evaluations don't care how much you contribute to "allied forces."

From the beginning, for both public and private reasons, Soruns had his little calculations streaming in his mind like "pitter-patter."

The only disappointing part was that his old friend, Old Hawk, thoroughly let down his goodwill.

Soruns was extremely frustrated with Old Hawk's foolishness and decided no longer to concern himself with the Hawk Family affairs.

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Bai Xiaosheng greeted every family, every tycoon, chatting and laughing without constraint, his manners impeccable and courteous.

He also earned countless goodwill.

Chapter 1578 - There Will Be a Time When You Beg Us Too! _2

With Red Lotus present, Bai Xiaosheng could instantly retrieve all the available online information about the other party during a conversation, ensuring he had a general understanding in mind.

Bai Xiaosheng was well aware of which family had enormous power in which industry.

As the saying goes, being informed in the brain brings calm to the heart.

Bai Xiaosheng communicated smoothly with these business giants, even discussing his views on their respective industries.

The giants were utterly astonished, greatly praising Bai Xiaosheng's erudition and unique insights, and even secretly sighed—

"No wonder this young man became the executive president of the Greater China Region of Zhenbei Group at such a young age, he's truly extraordinary!"

In fact, even Soruns was secretly amazed by Bai Xiaosheng's vast knowledge.

Soruns had always known Bai Xiaosheng's extraordinary talent, but even he was amazed at this moment.

From the side, Soruns glanced deeply at Bai Xiaosheng, thinking to himself, "Sure enough, there's a reason he was chosen!"

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Thus, Bai Xiaosheng and Soruns became the central figures of the event, with their exchanges with the many distinguished guests drawing everyone's attention.

Young people, who were similar in age to Bai Xiaosheng and had eagerly stood by old Hawk and Andrew earlier, now looked at him with bright eyes, completely idolizing him. Some even secretly blushed, realizing they had failed to recognize such an important figure.

Some fantasized, imagining if they had stood by Bai Xiaosheng back then, would they now be bringing great fortune to their families?

This thought led many to a point of deep regret.

Old Hawk, having come to his senses, wanted to walk over, apologize to Bai Xiaosheng in public and earnestly ask for his forgiveness, hoping he would overlook this matter for Soruns' sake, and perhaps discuss cooperation with the Hawk Family.

However, there were too many prominent figures surrounding Bai Xiaosheng, and it would be improper to force his way in; such an action might not only be extremely rude but could also annoy people, making it more trouble than it was worth.

Thus, old Hawk fretfully waited for a chance.

As he saw Bai Xiaosheng smiling and conversing with the giants while toasting, followed by a man and a woman who occasionally recorded something on a tablet, seemingly securing a collaboration, old Hawk

was both envious and frustrated, wishing fervently to be part of that conversation and instantly facilitate a collaboration.

Beside old Hawk, Andrew frowned and watched for ten minutes before finally whispering impatiently, "Mr. Soruns, why hasn't he brought him over..."

"Shut up!" old Hawk snapped angrily, glaring at Andrew, "It's all because of you siblings causing trouble that I can't even speak to him!"

Andrew looked defiant.

"Look at him, then look at you! Can't you do something to make me proud?" old Hawk lamented.

A white family head was essentially forced into becoming an Eastern parent, showing how frustrated he was.

"How not? Didn't I just recently deal with a major company? You even praised me," Andrew muttered resentfully.

Old Hawk was livid, "That little achievement, you're still proud of? It was just a media company called Kelson, you used money to crush it, and without my consent, could you have succeeded? It was all to build your confidence, to give you practice!"

Old Hawk was nearly enraged by Andrew, who remained defiant and unsatisfied.

The outcome of this father-son conflict was that old Hawk prevailed.

Andrew was sullen and speechless, realizing his hope of gaining reputation among the giants through his father's connection with Mr. Soruns was dashed.

Watching the distant, dazzling Bai Xiaosheng, Andrew's eyes showed a hint of lingering grievance and resentment.

During the one-hour cocktail party, Bai Xiaosheng negotiated cooperation intents with several family giants.

Bai Xiaosheng showed interest, and they showed sincerity.

Both parties enjoyed the discussions, but actual collaboration would have to wait until Bai Xiaosheng's business team arrived to discuss matters further with them.

Ultimately, it was a good start for both sides.

Soruns was also all smiles, any displeasure from old Hawk's presence vanished.

By facilitating the cooperation between Bai Xiaosheng and the major families, those family's giants would naturally keep their word and engage with his subordinate enterprises on another level of cooperation, actively making concessions.

This win-win situation left him more than satisfied.

After finishing discussions with the last family giant, Bai Xiaosheng and Soruns finally had a moment of peace.

The two seized this opportunity to ward off idle onlookers, raising their cocktails and chatting with a smile, taking it as a moment of respite after the full event of interactions.

"This time, I must truly thank Mr. Soruns for setting the stage, allowing me the opportunity to meet so many powerful European businessmen." Bai Xiaosheng raised his glass in thanks.

Soruns smiled and returned the toast, "No empty words with you, facilitating cooperation between you brings benefits to my side as well."

Bai Xiaosheng's performance this time further enhanced Soruns' impression of him.

Soruns felt that being more candid with him would aid in their exchange.

Bai Xiaosheng gave a slight smile, seemingly having expected this.

Afterward, Bai Xiaosheng discussed the cooperation between the Greater China Region and the European Region and listed some potential cooperation directions.

Soruns' eyes brightened, and he became increasingly pleased with the conversation with Bai Xiaosheng.

"Mr. Bai Xiaosheng!"

As the two were speaking, suddenly a call came from beside them, turning their heads to find old Hawk and his son approaching with smiles.

The smile on Bai Xiaosheng's face faded slightly.

Knowing the special relationship between this father and son with Soruns, he naturally gave Soruns some face and did not publicly hold them accountable for their offense.

Chapter 1579 - There Will Be a Time When You Beg Us Too!_3

This is to give face to the host of the party, and actually shows his depth. After all, a vengeful Executive President of the Greater China Region, showing off his power on the spot, is not a preferred partner for any of the prominent families.

Based on these two points, Bai Xiaosheng endured it, never expecting that father and son would dare to come over.

Kelson also frowned slightly, feeling this was really not the time for old Hawk to come over.

"Mr. Bai, I asked around and found out that everything between you and my daughter is nothing but a misunderstanding! A misunderstanding!" Old Hawk said with a conciliatory smile, "My son here acted rashly and encountered a conflict with you, and I've severely reprimanded him."

As he spoke, old Hawk glared at Andrew, "Aren't you going to apologize to Mr. Bai!"

Under old Hawk's fierce gaze, Andrew spoke woodenly to Bai Xiaosheng, "Mr. Bai, I was reckless."

As Andrew made this apology, though he looked humble, his face remained expressionless, betraying a lack of genuine remorse.

Old Hawk gave him another glare and smiled at Bai Xiaosheng and Kelson, "Since it's a misunderstanding, and now it has been cleared, let's not dwell on it."

Old Hawk actually pardoned his own son on behalf of Bai Xiaosheng.

Kelson listened and felt a little speechless.

Bai Xiaosheng smiled at old Hawk without showing displeasure, "Mr. Hawk, I see the sincerity in you and your son's actions this time."

"That's good, that's good." Old Hawk laughed heartily.

Kelson was even more speechless.

Although Bai Xiaosheng had spoken in English, the Chinese equivalent was not an expression of forgiveness.

The Chinese language is profound, often having double meanings, which Kelson was aware of.

But old Hawk, clearly, was not.

Afterward, old Hawk had a lively conversation with Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng responded casually, sometimes attentively, sometimes absentmindedly.

Kelson even felt somewhat embarrassed.

Finally, when old Hawk broached the topic of cooperation, Bai Xiaosheng laughed, "Today at this party, we should savor the wine and talk about relationships. We should not discuss cooperation."

Moments earlier, Bai Xiaosheng was discussing potential collaborations with the heads of major families, yet he outright refused to talk about it now.

Old Hawk was momentarily stunned and wanted to discuss his new ideas.

Kelson finally stepped in, interrupting with a smile, "Hawk, today, we shall not talk about cooperation!"

As he spoke, Kelson gave old Hawk a glaringly obvious look, signaling him to keep quiet.

This time, old Hawk finally got the hint and awkwardly fell silent.

With no talk of cooperation, the conversation drifted to dry and meaningless topics, and old Hawk found it difficult to continue. Moreover, with Kelson indicating he wanted to take Bai Xiaosheng to meet others, old Hawk could only take his leave.

Beside him, Andrew, who had remained silent, suddenly breathed a sigh of relief, visibly more at ease.

Being used to acting arrogant and dominant, having to behave meekly in front of others had left him stifled.

As the father and son turned to leave, Bai Xiaosheng was relieved to find peace and quiet, realizing that the long conversation was a mere waste of time.

Time, after all, is life.

Thinking of this saying, Bai Xiaosheng suddenly remembered he had something to ask Kelson.

Kelson had been targeted by a sniper, and the assailant's identity was mysterious. To uncover it, he had to rely on leaders in the area.

Kelson had a vast network and surely had a way.

Before old Hawk and his son had gone far, Bai Xiaosheng began to speak to Kelson, "Mr. Soruns, there is something I need you to look into as soon as possible—tonight, if you could. It's a matter of life and death."

With a quizzical look, Kelson motioned for Bai Xiaosheng to continue.

"A friend of mine started a company called Kelson, which was recently attacked by a sniper, and it's now in dire straits. I'm hoping you could investigate for me," Bai Xiaosheng said.

Kelson had yet to react, but the expression on old Hawk and his son's faces, who hadn't gone far, simultaneously changed, and they exchanged a look.

"Kelson?"

"Kelson!"

One asked in surprise, the other confirmed.

Kelson hadn't had a chance to nod in agreement before a loud voice was heard.

"That Kelson company, I know it!"

Bai Xiaosheng and Kelson turned in surprise to look.

Old Hawk and his son returned once again, different from before; this time, their eyes were alight, almost glowing with excitement!

Andrew, in particular, was filled with excitement.

Judging from earlier words, Bai Xiaosheng seemed to be seeking Kelson's help?

To help that Kelson company?

That company is actually Bai Xiaosheng's friend's?!

The more Andrew thought about it, the more excited he became.

This matter, in other words, doesn't it mean Bai Xiaosheng wants to save that Kelson company and must ask for help from the Hawk Family, from him!

There are times you need our help!

Andrew was thrilled.

Chapter 1580 - Each Other's "Sincerity"

Returning to Bai Xiaosheng and Soruns, the excitement on Old Hawk's face couldn't be contained; his subtle smile was almost unstoppable.

Just a moment ago, he was utterly disappointed; moments before that, he was cursing his son.

But now, Old Hawk wanted to publicly hug Andrew and praise this little rascal.

It's all about luck!

Who would've thought that Kelson would be connected to the new CEO of the Greater China Region!

The owner of Kelson is actually a friend of Bai Xiaosheng!

Seeing how much Bai Xiaosheng cared about that company, even discussing it with Soruns in such an important setting and asking Soruns for help, it seemed that friend must be very special to Bai Xiaosheng!

This is great!

Originally, they had nothing to discuss in terms of cooperation with Bai Xiaosheng; now, they did!

"Hawk, do you know that company?!" Soruns furrowed his brows, gazing suspiciously at Old Hawk.

If Old Hawk had such an expression, it definitely wasn't just about "knowing" the company!

It's very likely that the company was being "targeted" by the Hawk Family!

Soruns, with his keen insight and deep understanding of Old Hawk's character, immediately deciphered the situation.

Bai Xiaosheng did the same.

In Bai Xiaosheng's well-trained eyes, Old Hawk's image was practically screaming, "Great, only I can solve this problem! You need to beg me!" or something like that.

It seemed there was no need to investigate further. Kevin Siblings' Kelson Company was indeed being targeted by the Hawk Family!

Bai Xiaosheng found the primary culprit.

As Bai Xiaosheng looked on and Soruns inquired, Old Hawk couldn't help but smile as he spoke.

"Actually, this matter has a lot to do with my son Andrew," Old Hawk pointed at Andrew.

Andrew smiled and acknowledged Bai Xiaosheng and Soruns with a hint of smugness in his expression.

"Andrew is no longer a child; as the future heir of the Hawk Family, naturally, he has to learn the business." Old Hawk continued.

"However, I didn't let him touch the core businesses of the family. He likes the media industry, where he can hold power, so I provided him with ample funds to freely pursue media ventures."

"Currently, Andrew is in business competition with a media company, which has also caused the other party to fall into... a troubled situation."

"That company is called Kelson. I wonder if it's the same one Mr. Bai mentioned?" Old Hawk inquired politely.

Bai Xiaosheng nodded, "It's in the media industry, and the name matches, so it can't be wrong."

Old Hawk immediately clapped his hands with a face full of regret, "Andrew mentioned it to me, but I didn't care much. Now it seems incredible; it's actually the company of Mr. Bai's friend—how coincidental! And what a misfortune!"

"According to an Eastern proverb, isn't this called 'the floods washed away the Dragon King's temple'?" Old Hawk asked with a laugh.

Soruns couldn't help but look at Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng smiled, but his smile revealed no emotion.

Old Hawk's words seemed simple. By his account, Andrew's first business venture inadvertently caused Kelson to fall into a predicament. But according to Bai Xiaosheng's knowledge, Kelson was facing a premeditated, subversive attack; the opponent spared no expense, aiming to deliver a fatal blow or wipe them out completely.

Bai Xiaosheng glanced at Andrew's unrestrainedly smug face, and in a moment, he guessed why he would do such a thing.

If the Kevin Siblings yielded, Andrew would successfully take over an established media company. Despite the substantial investment, with Kelson's recent development and market expansion, the investment would be worthwhile.

In hindsight, Kelson's overexpansion, excessive risks, and insufficient reserve funds made it vulnerable to such exploitation.

If the Kevin Siblings chose not to yield, Andrew, holding significant shares, would forcibly seize management rights, even if the Kevin Siblings fiercely resisted, choosing mutual destruction by letting the company go bankrupt. Andrew would still profit.

Andrew could entirely create a new media company, claim they defeated Kelson, which itself would carry enormous advertising effects.

Then he could reach out to Kelson's original clients and, by demonstrating his "strength," lure away all Kelson's clientele, bypassing the time and cost of market expansion.

This was a vicious calculation!

It required strength and luck, and it might not succeed, but as long as he dared, there was a chance of success.

"Is this Andrew's doing? He's practically a rabid hyena, a gambler and opportunist!" Bai Xiaosheng thought to himself. "I bet if the profit were tempting enough, he'd even dare attack a lion's cub!"

However, a hyena is still a hyena. Without a pack, it poses no real threat.

When facing a true lion, it would merely be a dish on the table.

"It seems I have indeed asked the right person," Bai Xiaosheng smiled and said to Old Hawk, "My friend had deep ties with me back when I was just a general manager of a company. Now, he's facing a life-or-death crisis on his side, I naturally have to lend a hand."

"Mr. Hawk, name your price, how can this knot be unraveled. I'll find a way to have it met from their side!"

"Business is business, they fell short on a move and are outsmarted, a little bleeding is only right," Bai Xiaosheng smiled.

Soruns couldn't help but look toward Old Hawk, signaling with his eyes.

This was an opportunity!

An opportunity to make a good impression on Bai Xiaosheng, to make a good impression on the new CEO of the Greater China Region!