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Chapter 1591 The Hawk Family Reaps What They Sow

Ariel's words startled Kevin beside her, and on the other end of the phone, Bai Xiaosheng was also taken aback.

Ariel suggested having Bai Xiaosheng become the owner of Kelson Company?

In fact, Bai Xiaosheng currently holds 60% of Kelson's shares, making him the de facto owner of the company.

However, Kevin was quite conflicted about this.

Kelson was founded by Kevin, who had painstakingly built it up over the years. Seeing the opportunities arise in the past couple of years, he was preparing to pass it down to future generations.

Unexpectedly, the Hawk Family targeted this potential stock. They took advantage of Kelson during its rapid expansion and thinnest financial phase, pushing it into this crisis.

Although Bai Xiaosheng saved Kelson and is Kevin's best friend, Kevin finds it hard to accept that he has gone from a founder and top manager to just an "employee." It's difficult to accept that "the child he raised" is now in someone else's hands.

Even if Bai Xiaosheng could offer him a long-term payment plan to buy back the shares, he didn't have the funds.

Moreover, Kelson is facing not only a huge funding gap but also bigger issues!

Even though Kelson is now out of immediate danger, major troubles have just begun. As it stands, many partners and clients have already heard the news and lost trust in Kelson, preparing to cancel their collaborations.

Even with contractual constraints, Kelson's operations are likely to plummet starting next quarter.

What should be done then?!

Kevin looked at his sister and thought of all this, feeling anguished inside.

"Xiaosheng, we currently don't have enough money to buy back enough shares from you to regain control of Kelson. Moreover, we're facing a huge funding gap and a significant PR crisis ahead. The issues are severe! If Kelson returns to us and you're no longer involved, it will undoubtedly fail!" Ariel said over the phone.

Beside her, Kevin's expression was both bitter and heavy.

Ariel was not exaggerating; she was stating the facts, which Bai Xiaosheng needed to know.

After all, holding 60% of Kelson's shares, Bai Xiaosheng's goodwill shouldn't turn into holding a time bomb unknowingly.

That would be unfair!

"I'm asking you to be Kelson's boss mainly to ask you to save it! I'm sure you can do it!" Ariel said sincerely.

On the other end, Bai Xiaosheng had yet to respond, but Kevin was awakened by his sister's straightforward words.

If Kelson perishes, everything will vanish like bubbles!

No matter how much Kevin contemplates, it's futile!

The loss would also erase his journey in the business world!

What they must do now is first ensure Kelson survives, as they, the siblings, don't have that capability.

Seeking help from outsiders would also mean relinquishing control, so it's better to choose Bai Xiaosheng!

Bai Xiaosheng has the capability, the qualification, and the integrity, making him a suitable boss!

Kevin's concerns dissipated, and he felt enlightened.

He even actively wanted to take Ariel's phone to speak with Bai Xiaosheng personally.

"It's true, Xiaosheng, we can no longer keep Kelson afloat. I hope you come to save it!" Kevin said sincerely.

"I am willing to work for you!"

Ariel was somewhat surprised to see her brother.

Someone as proud as Kevin might be forced to give up the company, but to willingly say "I'm willing to work for someone else" is truly remarkable.

On the other end of the phone, Bai Xiaosheng pondered for a moment, then sincerely said, "This time, I really just wanted to help you reclaim your shares, not covet Kelson."

This was the truth; neither Xue Lian Wan He nor Zunbai Zhisheng could be compared to Kelson.

However, Bai Xiaosheng also discovered through his investigation that Kelson had made commendable commercial moves in the past two years, with an anticipated surge within five years!

If he held Kelson, he was bound to reap great rewards!

"But the current situation doesn't allow me to refuse." Bai Xiaosheng was straightforward, not evasive, which was more personable to a friend, "And using such a large amount of funds requires some explanation to those below."

Kevin and Ariel exchanged glances and nodded immediately.

Even though Bai Xiaosheng is the absolute owner of two large companies, he can't just move such a large-scale fund without explaining it.

Who would dare follow a boss like that?

Of course, the Kevin siblings were unaware that regardless of Zunbai Zhisheng or Xue Lian Wan He, Ron, Li Qiushan, or even anyone in Zhengdong Province, once Bai Xiaosheng spoke, they would execute his plans without hesitation, even if it meant dismantling the company and selling it.

But how those people thought was their business.

Bai Xiaosheng insisted that he couldn't leave them without an explanation.

"Then from now on, I'll be Kelson's boss!" Bai Xiaosheng agreed over the phone.

On the other side, Kevin and Ariel immediately showed delighted expressions.

"Thirty years!"

Bai Xiaosheng continued, "Kevin, your body can handle working for another forty years, I believe. I'll have you work for me for thirty years, and each year I'll return a certain amount of shares to you. After thirty years, Kelson will still be yours!"

"Next, I will invest billions more into Kelson. I will facilitate collaborations between Kelson and the Greater China Region of Zhenbei Group, Tengyun, and a batch of major companies in Huaxia."

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"Every year, I only take the dividends I deserve. Thirty years from now, no matter how big and strong Kelson becomes, even if it ranks among the top ten of the Fortune 500, it will be yours!"

Bai Xiaosheng's sincere words left the Kevin siblings greatly surprised.

At the same time, the siblings were deeply moved.

"Sheng, I..." Kevin even felt a lump in his throat, unable to speak.

"Let's skip the sentimental words; they're not suitable for us." Bai Xiaosheng laughed heartily on the phone, "Am I a considerate boss or what?"

"In the future, how far Kelson can go is entirely up to you!"

Friendship is the cornerstone of cooperation, and shared interests are the guarantee of long-term partnership.

Bai Xiaosheng didn't want to treat the Kevin siblings with business theories, but it inadvertently matched perfectly.

Listening to Bai Xiaosheng, knowing there's a billion funding injection and expansion into the Eastern market, Kevin felt a surge of excitement, and Ariel's eyes shone brightly.

"Rest assured, I won't let you down!" Kevin promised earnestly.

Beside him, Ariel smiled sincerely from the heart.

"Later, I'll arrange for a billion to be injected into your company, and create a momentum to stabilize the existing market and clients. Trust me, Xue Lian Wan He, which nominally holds your shares and cooperates with you, is my company and is quite renowned in the East."

Bai Xiaosheng smiled and said, "Also, at this stage, I, as the boss, prefer to keep my identity hidden because I have another identity that makes it inconvenient to be publicly known."

Hearing Bai Xiaosheng being so "secretive," Kevin jokingly said, "You're keeping it from us too? Boss, you really treat us as outsiders."

On the other end of the phone, Bai Xiaosheng smiled wryly, but after thinking for a bit, he realized that his identity would be revealed eventually. Moreover, when it comes to family, what's there to keep secret? The Kevin siblings, he knew their character, they wouldn't spread it around.

"Alright, I'll tell you my other identity," Bai Xiaosheng said.

"It must be someone significant in the Zhenbei Group Greater China Region, right?" Kevin guessed.

Although Bai Xiaosheng was so young, given that he could converse with a big name like Soruns, at the very least, he must be the top person in charge of the Zhenbei Group over there, trusted by those around him.

Ariel also listened curiously.

Bai Xiaosheng laughed, "You could... say that. Because I am the Executive President of the Zhenbei Group Greater China Region."

Ariel saw her brother Kevin, who was smiling just a moment ago, his smile suddenly froze, full of incredulousness, and she was taken aback.

Kevin's heart was already in turmoil.

No wonder Bai Xiaosheng could converse with Soruns!

No wonder Bai Xiaosheng wasn't afraid of the Hawk Family!

No wonder Soruns didn't favor the Hawk Family this time!

No wonder Bai Xiaosheng could so effortlessly mobilize immense financial resources to help Kelson out of a crisis!

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President of the Greater China Region of the Zhenbei Group! A position comparable to Soruns!

Kevin trembled.

When Bai Xiaosheng revealed his identity in a low voice, Ariel didn't catch it clearly and immediately asked Kevin, "What is it, brother?"

Kevin was dazed for a long time before his eyes turned to his sister, his eyes practically gleaming.

"We found ourselves one incredible boss!"

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When Ariel learned why Kevin was so excited and discovered Bai Xiaosheng's true identity, she too was astonished, mouth slightly open.

Thinking back, Bai Xiaosheng was just the general manager of Zhongjing Media a few years ago, and when they first met, he was just a deputy general manager.

In just three short years, Bai Xiaosheng had rocketed to heights they could only dream of reaching.

Ariel's eyes were bright as the moon, wearing a smile, filled with admiration and pride.

Bai Xiaosheng briefed Kevin, sharing some impromptu ideas about the help he could currently offer to Kelson, leaving Kevin exceedingly enthusiastic.

This time, not only did Kelson not falter, but it turned adversity into opportunity!

He was overjoyed to the point of madness.

Compared to the Kevin siblings, the old Hawk and his son were already on the verge of madness!

Soruns directly cut ties with them, a blow that was deadly, but "pain" would only be felt after months or years.

But as Soruns said, they offended someone they couldn't afford to offend, and "revenge" was already happening, coming one after another!

The old Hawk and his son felt not only pain but were in excruciating agony!

First, news came from several batches of "vanguards" the Hawk Family had dispatched to the East to actively explore the market early on.

The progress of their discussions on collaborations over there came to a complete halt!

All alcohol enterprises affiliated with the Greater China Region of the Zhenbei Group, and those with connections to them, completely rejected cooperation talks with them.

The reason?

No reason!

The order came from above!

Some negotiations that had been ongoing for a year and a half were just abruptly cut off like that!

Faced with collaborations that were about to be signed, the Hawk Family's dispatched personnel naturally felt unwilling and tried to salvage it with the greatest discounts.

The other party bluntly told them that even if it was for free, they wouldn't talk anymore!

For contracts already signed, the other party immediately tore up the contracts, paid the penalty happily, just to not continue working with them anymore!

Not only that, but even alcohol enterprises not belonging to the Greater China Region of the Zhenbei Group also broke contracts or ceased cooperations. The reason being that alcohol enterprises under the Greater China Region of the Zhenbei Group offered better terms, forcibly taking away the partnerships and even paying the penalty for them.

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The Hawk Family's 'Eastward Advance' has suffered the most severe setback and blow in history!

"That guy named Bai, how can he do this! He's abusing his power for personal gain, it's despicable and shameless!" Old Hawk slammed the table in anger.

Andrew was also gritting his teeth in hatred.

"But Father, it's not that much of a problem! Even without cooperating with Zhenbei Group, there are still many large enterprises and giants in the East we can choose from. Bai Xiaosheng wants to block us, it's not that simple!" Andrew said fiercely.

Like a fearless young calf, the more anxious Andrew gets, the more ruthless he becomes.

Nicely put, this is called "youthful vigor"; not nicely put, it's "reckless ignorance"!

Old Hawk was heavy-hearted, his face extremely grim, "But in that case, we might have to pay a much higher price to push through with cooperation. Of course, the fortunate thing is, our expatriates have been in talks with Tengyun and other major Asian companies. I have instructed them to significantly concede benefits and sign the contracts first..."

Before Old Hawk could contact those people, they had already hurried to contact him.

Including Tengyun, several major group-owned wine companies entirely rejected cooperation with the Hawk Family!

Suddenly, the entire eastern wine market seemed united in rejecting entry to this western family, the Hawk Family.

The Hawk Family has truly been blocked!

"It must be that Bai Xiaosheng!" Old Hawk's lips trembled, his eyes wide with fear, and he screamed sharply, "It must be him uniting those people!"

Andrew was also pale.

In fact, they read too much into it.

Does Bai Xiaosheng even need to unite anyone? He just needs to speak with Xiahou Qi or Lu Qingfeng, and they'd naturally go and contact allies. Dealing with a mere Hawk Family is no problem at all.

Xiahou Qi even felt that the other party daring to insult the Greater China Region's executive president should have Soruns join in the attack.

Of course, Bai Xiaosheng rejected this suggestion.

It's not needed.

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With Tengyun and other companies taking the lead, those various enterprises naturally followed the suit, unanimously refusing the Hawk Family's entry, which not only establishes friendly relations with major groups but at least reduces one competitor—a benefit without harm.

Once the news spread in Europe that Soruns had distanced from the Hawk Family, their business would plummet as well.

The eastern market also wouldn't open up.

This time, the Hawk Family might truly be finished.

The reason behind this terrifying situation is entirely due to their ignorance, greed, and audacity to threaten an Eastern business titan!

An equivalent of seeking death!

"It's all your fault, you beast! Why did you have to go after Kelson, do you want to ruin the family!" Old Hawk saw Andrew beside him and instantly went mad, grabbing things off the table and throwing them at him violently.

Andrew shielded his head and ran, no longer retaining the cold demeanor of a young family head, escaping in embarrassment.

As he fled, Andrew still wanted to reason with Old Hawk, "Father, you supported this, you made the decision."

It wasn't a wise move to explain; just as Andrew felt relieved seeing Old Hawk no longer throwing things, the old man picked up the silver hand cane and rushed over in rage.

The ranged altercation turned into a melee, without a word, Andrew ran for his life.

The Hawk Family was in chaos, even staging a dramatic father-son feud, which left the family servants dumbfounded.

Fortunately, in the end, Milos was alarmed and came to stop Old Hawk.

When Milos learned of the current situation, she was also stunned.

She knew Bai Xiaosheng was not to be trifled with, and knew he would retaliate fiercely, but didn't expect he had the ability to drive the Hawk Family to the brink of despair in a few hours!

"Milos, our Hawk Family is about to be finished." Old Hawk couldn't stop wailing, not really putting all the blame on Andrew, just angered, panicked, and terrified, looking for an outlet.

Andrew was silent, holding his head in his hands, feeling unprecedentedly disheartened.

His arrogance and pride, up to this day, were known to be "water without a source, wood without a root," easily pushed into an abyss by others!

This blow caused him immense pain.

Milos felt the suffocating crisis from her father and brother; being a Hawk Family member, she naturally couldn't stand by.

"I will see Bai Xiaosheng." Milos suddenly spoke.

At this moment, the always arrogant and flamboyant woman had a determination in her beautiful eyes.

"I will beg him to spare the Hawk Family!"

Chapter 1594 - Chasing Bai Xiaosheng, Seeking Forgiveness

Milos said she would plead with Bai Xiaosheng to forgive the Hawk Family, and this statement suddenly enlightened the old Hawk father and son.

Just now, they heard a series of bad news, and only thought about the miserable situation the Hawk Family would face in the future. They were so panicked and overwhelmed that they didn't even consider this path!

In fact, earlier, old Hawk made a phone call to plead with Soruns, asking him not to be so cruel and to help the Hawk Family once more for the sake of their past friendship!

Unfortunately, Soruns' phone was unreachable.

Not only was Soruns' phone unreachable, but old Hawk couldn't get through to any of his assistants either.

Andrew also tried, but it was no use.

The other side most likely collectively blocked them.

It seems that Soruns had decisively made up his mind to sever all ties with the Hawk Family!

This matter was no less than another stab at their already pessimistic hearts, resulting in confusion, fear, despair, and pent-up anger, leading to this farce of a father-son chase.

Now, hearing Milos speak, the father and son suddenly saw the light.

Yes!

The one they should be pleading with now is not Soruns, but Bai Xiaosheng!

Because of him, Soruns decided to break with the Hawk Family!

Because of him, the Eastern market coincidentally sanctioned the Hawk Family!

So, thinking this way, doesn't it mean—

If they can appease that Bai, this disaster might pass!

They might even repair their relationship with Soruns!

Things aren't as simple as they imagined; someone like Soruns, once he says something, it's like water spilled, irreversible, not likely to change!

But for the currently distraught Hawk father and son, there's still that faint possibility.

And it instantly ignited a great hope in their hearts!

"But, this should be done by us; that would show more sincerity." Andrew said.

Andrew didn't want to see his sister humbled, begging that man for forgiveness.

Besides, this trouble belongs to the Hawk Family.

Is the Hawk Family out of men, needing a woman to save them?!

Furthermore, Milos' apology doesn't carry enough weight.

It might even upset the other party, thinking he is being slighted, leading them to intensify the "punishment" on the Hawk Family.

The old Hawk also thought of this.

"I heard from you that Bai Xiaosheng is staying at our family's hotel, right! Let's go now and ask his forgiveness in person."

The old Hawk was eager to depart immediately.

For the sake of the family, if an apology can solve it, old Hawk wouldn't care about losing face at this moment.

"The Orientals have said that a successful man can bend and stretch, and in thirty years, we can even exchange positions!"

Andrew also gritted his teeth, determined to bow his head to the other side.

"You meant 'a great man can be flexible' and 'thirty years of Hedong, thirty years of Hexi', right." Milos couldn't help but point out to her brother.

She liked literature from various countries and knew more than Andrew.

"Close enough!" Andrew said casually.

"Alright, no more talking, let's hurry along with me!" The old Hawk was impatiently urging, commanding his son, "Go to my study, pick some valuable artifacts, and we will go plead for forgiveness from that Oriental."

Milos watched her father and brother hastily leave, her eyes filled with concern, muttering as she stood there, "Will it be that easy?"

Half an hour later, the old Hawk and his son returned to the study.

Milos, upon hearing the news, rushed over, only to see the dejected faces of her father and brother. Upon inquiry, she learned that Bai Xiaosheng had already moved out of their family's hotel.

It was said he was picked up by a car sent by Soruns, with his whereabouts unknown.

"I asked the remaining top hotels in Brussels, and they actually said they must protect customer information and refused to disclose it! It's infuriating, who would dare to speak to me like this before!" Andrew gritted his teeth.

Old Hawk's face was clouded with sorrow, sighing bitterly, "It must be Soruns who had given them a heads-up... I never thought disaster would come so quickly!"

The oppressive, depressing atmosphere once again filled old Hawk's study.

Contrarily, Milos' gaze appeared increasingly composed.

After a moment of silence, she decisively stated, "We can't give up like this!"

Attracting the attention of old Hawk and Andrew, Milos decisively spoke—

"Father, continue to attempt communication with Mr. Soruns."

"Moreover, please quickly identify which business partners and businesses will be affected or unaffected by Soruns breaking ties with us! We must stabilize the family business!"

"Regarding the mood of the Hawk Family members, father, you must also try to appease them, and inform them they must unite now, to get through this crisis together!"

"Andrew, use your methods to quickly find out the whereabouts of Bai Xiaosheng! Afterward, I will go as the family's envoy to see him. I am a woman, and it's easier for me to gain an audience! Meeting him on behalf of the family isn't disrespectful!"

Milos' continuous articulations left the old Hawk and Andrew dumbfounded.

In such dire straits, Milos seemed like a different person, instead becoming the calmest and most composed one!

Just like portrayed in many movies and games, sometimes Western women are inexplicable, harboring astonishing fighting power.

Sometimes, they even surpass the men.

Old Hawk and Andrew, who had never seen this side of her, couldn't believe it, was this still Milos?!

Chapter 1595 - Chasing Bai Xiaosheng, Seeking Forgiveness_2

"Before we met Mr. Soruns, the Hawk Family had weathered storms for decades without falling! Now, this is merely a test for our family!" Milos seriously gazed at her father and brother, then turned to leave, her voice lingering.

"Andrew, remember, find Bai Xiaosheng and inform me immediately!"

This originally arrogant and domineering woman now stepped with a resonant pace, displaying the demeanor of a strong woman.

Previously, she didn't need to worry about anything, making her act willfully. But now, she seemed more like a strong individual.

Watching Milos depart, old Hawk and Andrew exchanged glances, their eyes faintly showing shame, but soon became calm as well.

"Indeed, let's do as Milos said!"

"The Hawk Family won't collapse!"

This father and son motivated each other.

Exiting old Hawk's study, at the moment the door closed, Milos couldn't help but lean against the wall, clutching her chest, exhaling a long, murky breath, her expression difficult.

Just now, she was encouraging her family through her actions, but even she felt how terrifying the impending storm was!

Milos gently bit her lip with her snow-white teeth, softly murmuring, "Bai Xiaosheng, can you let the Hawk Family go?!"

That evening, during dinner with Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying, Lei Ying told Bai Xiaosheng that he discovered someone probing their whereabouts downstairs at the hotel where they were newly residing. Upon investigating a little, he found out it was people from the Hawk Family.

Lin Weiwei also mentioned that Milos had asked for her number earlier, and though she had blocked it, she received a large number of text messages.

Milos expressed her desire to represent the Hawk Family in asking for Bai Xiaosheng's forgiveness, acknowledging the huge mistake made by the Hawk Family, and to sincerely plead for Bai Xiaosheng's understanding.

"I think that as long as we remain in Brussels, we'll be found within a day or two, and that Miss Milos will probably come to visit personally." Lei Ying looked at Bai Xiaosheng and said, "I've also heard that old Hawk and his son visited our previous hotel but didn't find us. This time, they sent a woman, maybe thinking she'd make you more sympathetic?"

Lin Weiwei also looked at Bai Xiaosheng, "The father and son of the Hawk Family brought this upon themselves; they can't blame anyone else. But if Milos continually pursues us, coming to bother us time and again, what would that be like? Xiaosheng, what's your plan regarding the Hawk Family? Are you really going to ruin them?"

Bai Xiaosheng was quietly drinking soup, and upon hearing Lin Weiwei, he looked up at her and smiled helplessly, "Weiwei, do you really think I'm someone who would never let go, ready to wipe out an entire family at a whim? That's a devil in novels, not how you see me!"

Lin Weiwei stuck out her tongue and smiled apologetically.

Bai Xiaosheng spoke seriously and sternly, "I need to punish them because the actions of the Hawk Family have been despicable this time, daring to openly mock me, also insulting the executive president of the Greater China Region! Considering the group's prestige, I can't help but retaliate!"

"Moreover, their behavior has set a bad precedent for families in Europe here, and if I don't act, unnecessary troubles will arise in future cooperation."

"Therefore, they deserve punishment!"

"But what reason do I have to destroy them?" Bai Xiaosheng asked in return.

"Besides, do you think a family that has stood for dozens or even hundreds of years would easily fall just like that?" Bai Xiaosheng smiled and said, "A centipede can still survive even when dead, not to mention a deeply rooted family."

Lin Weiwei nodded while listening.

"Xiaosheng, do you have other plans?" Lei Ying suddenly had a thought and asked.

Lin Weiwei couldn't help but glance at Lei Ying.

"In business, there are no eternal enemies, only eternal benefits. I've studied the Hawk Family; in Europe, they may not be a top-tier family, but they are very strong in a certain field or market, which is the wine industry." Lei Ying said, "From what I know, the wine market here is divided into seventy percent shares among three families, and the Hawk Family is one of them. However, they have always underestimated the Eastern market, resulting in no achievements over there. Recently, they've seen the growing Eastern market and got anxious, wanting to expand but instead collided with us."

Now, upon hearing Lei Ying's words, Lin Weiwei's eyes immediately brightened as if she realized something, pointed a finger in the air, and said, "Oh, Xiaosheng, are you also planning something with the Hawk Family...?"

Bai Xiaosheng didn't say yes or no, he just smiled, "Tomorrow we'll leave Brussels to inspect various places, and during the inspection, we'll also promote internal cooperation between the European region and our Greater China Region. Along the way, we'll connect with various families to expand external cooperation. We're laying the groundwork for the commercial group, allowing them to follow subsequently."

Bai Xiaosheng continued, "Also, let's avoid Milos from the Hawk Family, don't let her cling to us too soon."

"I said I'd make the Hawk Family suffer greatly, so I will! Soruns inadvertently gave us a divine assist!"

Bai Xiaosheng smiled and said, "This time, I'm going to make the Hawk Family learn to respect!"

"Let them learn to abide by the rules with Bai Xiaosheng and make them remember this deep down!"

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying exchanged nods.

The night passed without a word.

By noon the next day, Milos received a message from Andrew saying that they had found the hotel where Bai Xiaosheng and his group were staying.

Chapter 1596 - Chasing Bai Xiaosheng, Seeking Forgiveness_3

Moreover, a sizable Asian business group has arrived, and a welcome banquet is being held there.

Bai Xiaosheng must be there!

Old Hawk and Andrew have both come to see Milos, eagerly hoping she can find Bai Xiaosheng and successfully persuade him to forgive the Hawk Family.

Old Hawk not only prepared gifts but also listed numerous terms for cooperation with Eastern businesses, offering great concessions as a gesture of goodwill.

Milos carried her father's and brother's earnest expectations and rushed over.

After some effort, she finally made it into the welcome reception.

However, Milos was left empty-handed there; she didn't see Bai Xiaosheng or even Soruns.

Milos, after much effort, finally got the full picture.

Mr. Soruns accompanied dignitaries to the capital of Country UY to inspect the Zhenbei Group's industries there!

That day, Milos returned home and recounted the entire episode to Old Hawk and Andrew before she decisively booked an evening flight to the city where Bai Xiaosheng was located.

Old Hawk and Andrew also shared some very bad news with Milos.

Just today, several prominent families who cooperated with them for Soruns' sake had communicated they would no longer work with them.

Losing those partners would mean the Hawk Family's high-growth profits over the past two years could stagnate for the first time!

The crisis has already manifested, arriving much quicker than they anticipated!

"Uncertain problems may arise in the future, although Andrew and I are trying our best to prepare for the worst..."

At this point, Old Hawk was too pained to continue speaking to his daughter.

In person, Milos calmed her emotions, smiled at her father and brother, and said, "Don't worry, I will find Bai Xiaosheng and resolve this trouble."

"I definitely will!" Milos clenched her fist secretly.

Unfortunately, her wish was destined to be unfulfilled soon.

In the following two weeks, Milos practically chased Bai Xiaosheng's footsteps, constantly traveling between various countries and regions.

But each time, she either fell behind or missed Bai Xiaosheng due to various reasons.

During this half-month period, the Hawk Family's business also suffered sustained heavy blows.

Several major companies within the Hawk Family saw their stock prices plummet, and if it weren't for their strong foundations, they might not have withstood such successive impacts.

Under the strenuous efforts of Old Hawk and Andrew to maintain the situation, the Hawk Family only just managed to slow the downward trend.

However, the financial and profit losses were genuinely painful for the entire Hawk Family, deeply felt.

The people in the Hawk Family, who previously dared not criticize Old Hawk and his son, started to complain incessantly, even blaming them directly for inciting from the East a formidable force and losing even Mr. Soruns' connection.

Initially, Andrew would get angry and aggressively counter, but by the end, even he was too weary to argue back.

Every evening when the father and son met, they would sigh and regret privately for their past ignorance and fearlessness.

Unfortunately, there's no remedy for regret in this world.

If there were, they wouldn't have meddled with Kelson.

If there were, once they understood Kelson was a company of Bai Xiaosheng's friend, they would have immediately released all the shares and even gone to the doorstep to apologize.

They would even have returned it for free!

Under such daily torment, Old Hawk and his son even went to plead with Kelson.

Unfortunately, they were given the cold shoulder by Kelson as well, returning without success.

Currently, Kelson is thriving, signing continuous contracts with several Eastern major companies and receiving investments of billions, with these news, being spread by Kelson itself, igniting the Western media.

There were also frequent reports that many large Western enterprises were actively engaging in talks with Kelson for potential cooperation.

Kelson's stock prices were also soaring.

In comparison, while Old Hawk and his son were envious, they realized that the distinct fates of both sides were caused by one person alone.

And he is the one the Hawk Family seeks but cannot meet—Bai Xiaosheng!

If this regret remedy truly existed, Old Hawk and his son would surely order a whole barrel each and swear never to provoke that person.

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Milos persistently continued to chase Bai Xiaosheng's footsteps, and two weeks later, they finally landed in the same city in Spain.

Unfortunately, Milos had not yet found Bai Xiaosheng's whereabouts.

In fact, Bai Xiaosheng, through Soruns' connection, was fully aware of Milos' movements.

At noon, Bai Xiaosheng also mentioned to Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying that they might meet Milos when the time was right, maybe within a couple of days.

Bai Xiaosheng hadn't decided on the specific timing yet when he received an invitation from Soruns.

Reportedly, it was from a friend of Soruns at a local winery who had brewed a batch of new wine, planning to hold a wine tasting event in the evening.

Although Soruns himself didn't have the time, he was aware that Bai Xiaosheng had a knack for wine tasting and showed great interest.

Thus, Soruns specifically sent someone with an invitation to ask if Bai Xiaosheng was interested, noting that he could attend with that invitation.

According to the person sent by Soruns, although the owner of this winery wasn't large in the wine business, he had quite a reputation, especially in winemaking circles, attracting like-minded people whenever a fine wine is produced.

Most importantly, each new wine is considered a top-quality vintage.

Although it was a kind gesture from Soruns, Bai Xiaosheng wasn't planning to go until he saw the name of the host on the invitation, which piqued his interest.

Antonio?

Isn't this the winery owner I met once before! Bai Xiaosheng still has one of his business cards!

Bai Xiaosheng immediately made up his mind.

"Then let's go take a look. It'll count as a break."

Chapter 1597 - Ferro Winery, Feng Family Descendants

It's three thirty in the afternoon, the sunlight is perfect, the sky is very blue.

In the outskirts, on a flat and wide highway, a luxury business vehicle worth a million is steadily moving forward.

Inside the vehicle, it resembles a small living room, with enough height to stand up, luxurious leather sofa chairs that are spacious and comfortable, and expensive handmade carpets underfoot.

Soft, melodious music flows through the quiet cabin.

The slow speed of the vehicle is Bai Xiaosheng's request, allowing the three of them to enjoy the scenery outside through the large glass windows.

"Mr. Antonio's Ferro Winery is quite famous in this area, not just that, it's renowned across the entire western wine industry," Lin Weiwei says, appreciating the pure and natural scenery outside the window with a smile.

Outside the window is an endless expanse of fields, making one feel relaxed and happy.

Trees in the distance are dense, giving a bit of a primeval forest feel.

If there's a lone large tree on a wide meadow, it becomes even more interesting.

Lin Weiwei has been looking outside along the way, itching to wear something beautiful, grab a DSLR, and run across the fields to capture every bit of scenery.

"What's interesting is, the tasting event is set for four in the afternoon, shouldn't it be held in the evening?" Lei Ying curiously asks.

"Evening? But then it would be dark, how could one see the scenery along the way," Lin Weiwei replies.

"This is a wine tasting event, not a sightseeing tour," Lei Ying laughs and reminds her.

"Who says you can't showcase your winery and nearby scenery while inviting people for wine tasting?" Lin Weiwei insists.

Lei Ying shrugs, choosing not to argue with her.

Bai Xiaosheng smiles, not joining in the topic, because even he couldn't say why the time of the tasting event was chosen.

Along the way, cars occasionally overtake them from behind, presumably heading to the wine tasting event too.

Because this road only leads to Ferro Winery.

As they approach the destination, Bai Xiaosheng and the others notice the vehicle begins to ascend; Ferro Manor is built upon a high slope.

Lin Weiwei suddenly asks again, "Isn't this time of year not the harvest season for grapes? Wouldn't it be late for wine making? Could it be that the grapes here can be first stored and then fermented?"

This girl has so many questions.

Lei Ying is not planning to open his mouth, so Lin Weiwei turns her gaze to Bai Xiaosheng.

"The variety of grapes here is vast, and the fermentation techniques are numerous, so it might be possible for stored grapes to be used for wine-making now," Bai Xiaosheng says seriously, then laughs, "However, I am more inclined to believe they start wine making during the harvest season, and now is the time the wine is ready. It has nothing to do with stored grapes."

Lin Weiwei blushes, feeling she asked a very amateur question, and quickly makes a funny face.

So, enjoying the scenery along the way, chatting as they go, their car soon enters the winery.

Their car is directed to the parking lot.

Getting out of the car, Bai Xiaosheng and the two others look at the large square in front of them, and also nod secretly as they see the distant ancient castle.

It's said that the West is filled with ancient castles, but there are indeed quite a lot of them, especially within rich families and local celebrities; it seems as if living in an ancient castle is a requirement for their status.

The ancient castle at Ferro Winery isn't the largest they've seen these days, nor is it the most historically profound, but it sure looks one of the most pleasant.

Bai Xiaosheng looks around, there are quite a few people in the square in front of the castle, most likely they are guests.

In the center of the square is a water feature, with a large pool, sculptures, and fountains.

Lin Weiwei retrieves the invitation from her bag and holds it in her hand. She looks up and sees the fountain sculpture, ancient and artistic, particularly charming. Some visitors are taking photos over there, and she is again itching to do the same.

"Xiaosheng, can I go take a picture?" Lin Weiwei asks tentatively.

Afraid that her actions might be inappropriate and embarrass Bai Xiaosheng.

"Go ahead!" Bai Xiaosheng laughs, "We are not here in any formal capacity this time, nor do we intend to attract attention, so why not? Besides, there are many guests taking pictures over there, haven't you noticed some winery attendants are even helping take photos? This should be allowed by the host. So, there's no need to be polite!"

Lin Weiwei is suddenly happy, she leaps and leads the way toward the fountain.

Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying exchange a smile and follow behind.

As they walk over, Bai Xiaosheng actually notices that the guests present are divided into two groups. One group is down-to-earth, taking photos at water features and other places, while the other group maintains serious and dignified manners, heading straight for the castle entrance after alighting from their cars.

It seems that Mr. Antonio has a wide range of friends, varying in social status.

Indeed, Bai Xiaosheng has some appreciation for such a social approach.

At the water feature fountain, Lin Weiwei happily poses in various positions, while Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying take out their phones to photograph her.

Although the three now possess superior status, they have all risen from the bottom and don't consider such behavior to be lacking in elegance.

Lin Weiwei poses with several gestures, she is already extremely beautiful, and with the water feature, she looks like a water lily, an incomparable beauty.

Even other guests are secretly turning their phone cameras to take candid shots.

"Weiwei, you can change your pose, put your hands in front," Bai Xiaosheng laughs.

"Sure!" Being guided by Bai Xiaosheng to pose for photos, Lin Weiwei is quite delighted, gladly agreeing, but she still has the invitation in hand, and her backpack is cumbersome.

Lin Weiwei immediately runs towards Lei Ying, asking him to help hold her things.

Just at this moment, a group of people hurriedly passes by.

Surrounding the group are bodyguards, both black and white.

In the middle is a man and a woman, both having Asian faces. They appear to be a bit older than Bai Xiaosheng, but not by much.

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The man is handsome, dressed formally, striding forward confidently, with a look of disdain.

The woman is tall, with exquisite makeup, walking forward with a fierce and determined aura.

They hurried past, and the man and woman surrounded by the crowd shot a slight frown at the people taking pictures, seemingly very disgusted.

Lin Weiwei didn't notice them at all and directly collided with a security guard at the perimeter.

The guard, seemingly well-trained, instantly reacted subconsciously and pushed Lin Weiwei away.

Lin Weiwei stumbled, letting out a cry, nearly falling over, but fortunately, the Black guard who pushed her quickly reacted and grabbed her hand.

"Ah, my things!" Lin Weiwei exclaimed in surprise.

The invitation she was holding in her hand flew out.

At first, the invitation landed only on the ground, but a guest, absorbed in watching and not looking at his feet, inadvertently kicked it, sending the invitation into the nearby pool.

Lin Weiwei steadied herself and urgently ran over, disregarding her demeanor as she squeezed under a chain cordon to reach the edge of the pool, only to find the pool with a meter-high drop to the water surface, depth unknown, and the invitation drifting to the center. Intermittent fountain water sprayed onto the invitation.

Lin Weiwei was really anxious, almost venturing down to retrieve it.

"Miss, you can't!"

"Don't jump!"

The crowd immediately gasped in surprise.

The servants from the winery rushed over, as if afraid Lin Weiwei would actually go down.

Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying were shocked too, hastily rushing over.

The entourage accompanying that man and woman also stopped. The Black guard seemed guilty, wanting to approach, and quietly consulted his boss.

"It's not your responsibility." The man among the pair waved his hand, looking over indifferently.

Upon clearly seeing Lin Weiwei's appearance and figure, a hint of interest suddenly emerged in his eyes.

"She was careless, who can be blamed! Such a woman, of low status, crude behavior, clearly lacks upbringing. Why bother with her!" the woman snorted coldly, "Let's go!"

Then, they swaggered away.

The dialogue happened to be overheard by Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying.

Lei Ying glanced back, his eyes dark.

Bai Xiaosheng frowned too.

Indeed, it was Lin Weiwei who first bumped into them unintentionally, but their reactions were also unintentional, requiring no apology, not even mutual apologies were necessary.

But insulting someone, how is that justified!

Right now, Lin Weiwei was still over there, so Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying had no time to address them.

Lin Weiwei's attempt to retrieve the invitation was ultimately intercepted.

Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying hurried to comfort her.

As many people approached to watch, the winery servants brought tools and finally managed to fish out the invitation, soaked for a long time.

Lin Weiwei received the invitation, feeling utterly dejected.

The text on it was blurred, and the entire invitation was somewhat ruined.

"It's alright, it's just an invitation, not a big deal." Bai Xiaosheng smiled, comforting Weiwei, took it, and asked the servants to dispose of it.

The onlookers, seeing nothing exciting, with the banquet starting soon, sighed and chatted as they dispersed.

"But without an invitation, how can we get in?" Lin Weiwei anxiously asked, full of remorse and apology.

Earlier, being pushed and almost falling didn't bother her at all. Now, she worried about Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying not being able to enter.

"Who said we don't have an invitation." Bai Xiaosheng smiled, pointing to Lin Weiwei's bag, "We may have lost the big one, but we still have the small one."

Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying were momentarily stunned, then suddenly realized.

At Zhang Xi's home, Bai Xiaosheng met the owner of Ferro Winery, Antonio, and received a business card from him!

Antonio had said that his winery welcomed Bai Xiaosheng anytime.

Though later, Mo Xin proved that Antonio might know Bai Xiaosheng's name and that he was the creator of "Encounter" wine, thus "having ulterior motives."

But ultimately, that business card should work!

Lin Weiwei suddenly felt like going from tears to laughter.

Then, the three of them followed the surrounding guests toward the castle entrance.

At this moment, at the castle entrance, a bald, white, fat old man stood there, back straight, dressed as presumably a butler, smiling broadly, checking guests' invitations.

Guests, regardless of status, queued orderly, demonstrating their courtesy and demeanor.

Bai Xiaosheng and the other two lined up, following the sequence to enter.

As it was almost their turn, Bai Xiaosheng heard footsteps behind him and voices of complaints.

"What's with that person, said he'd arrive soon, kept us waiting, yet now there's no sign of him, so infuriating!" a woman's voice complained angrily.

"Hmph, he is from the White Family! If not for the family's sake, would we care about him..." a man's voice sounded similarly displeased.

Soon, the woman's voice came again, icy and commanding, "In front, make way!"

Bai Xiaosheng initially thought the voices were just close behind him, not directed at him, until the person behind him tapped his shoulder urgently, reminding him.

Bai Xiaosheng turned back.

To his side and back stood a man and a woman with Asian faces, watching him coldly and impatiently.

Those two were indeed the couple surrounded by a group of bodyguards earlier.

Unexpectedly, they met again!

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Originally, in that previous confrontation, there wasn't a strict right or wrong side, but the woman's nearly insulting words made Bai Xiaosheng displeased.

Upon meeting again, the other party actually had the audacity to order him to move aside, which instantly irritated Bai Xiaosheng.

In this world, everything should be reasonable, but sometimes when you're in a bad mood, who cares about reason!

At the moment, the couple had no bodyguards with them; they must have left them outside.

Lei Ying, who was in front of Bai Xiaosheng, also turned around, looking coldly at the couple.

Even Lin Weiwei, who was further ahead, turned her head and was taken aback to see it was them.

The man and woman also noticed Lin Weiwei.

The man was fine, he couldn't help but look Lin Weiwei up and down with interest.

The woman, however, rolled her eyes, silently sneering, as if to say, "No wonder you're so blind, turns out you're all together."

Earlier, Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying ran over in a hurry, already showing that they were companions of Lin Weiwei.

"Don't block the way, move." The woman again rudely ordered Bai Xiaosheng.

Facing this attitude, Bai Xiaosheng didn't want to be polite either.

"Why should we let you? You should go to the back of the line." Bai Xiaosheng replied coldly.

The woman was taken aback, the man also looked at Bai Xiaosheng, his gaze sharp.

"Queuing is your business, we don't need to!" the woman snorted coldly.

As if to confirm her statement, a chubby butler not far away noticed them and actually ran over, smiling broadly, "Mr. Feng Moyu, Ms. Feng Moyan, there's no need for you to queue, you can go straight in."

The old butler's words made the woman named Feng Moyan glance coldly at Bai Xiaosheng with disdain, leaving a contemptuous look, and then was about to go inside.

The man named Feng Moyu had pretty much the same expression.

Lei Ying took a step forward, directly blocking the way.

Because of the couple's attitude towards Lin Weiwei, he was already full of anger, and now he looked fierce, his face tinged with frost.

Feng Moyu and Feng Moyan were also startled by the sudden appearance of this big guy.

"What do you want!" Feng Moyan exclaimed in surprise.

"My friend said you need to queue." Lei Ying said coldly.

"And, you owe her an apology!" Bai Xiaosheng pointed to Lin Weiwei, speaking slowly.

Perhaps never having been threatened like this before, the Feng siblings' faces immediately changed, looking extremely displeased yet tinged with anger.

"You tell me to queue and apologize? Do you know who we are!" Feng Moyan said angrily.

Feng Moyu also looked furious, asking the old butler, "What's the meaning of this!"

The old butler's expression also changed abruptly, but he still remained respectful, calming the Feng siblings down.

Then, he turned towards Bai Xiaosheng and Lei Ying, saying, "You two are also Mr. Antonio's guests, perhaps you've had a misunderstanding with these two distinguished guests, but please, for Mr. Antonio's sake, don't make things difficult for me, okay."

The old butler was well-cultured, still polite and humble.

Additionally, the Feng siblings were a stubborn pair, not likely to easily back down.

To make them back down, either beat them into submission or use status and authority to pressure them into yielding.

But it was obvious that Bai Xiaosheng and his people couldn't use either of those tactics at the moment.

Bai Xiaosheng waved his hand at Lei Ying, signaling him to let them pass, then expressionlessly said to Feng Moyu and Feng Moyan, "I'll give Mr. Antonio some face. Also—"

"Remember, your arrogance and rudeness now will have to be paid for later."

Bai Xiaosheng's words provoked Feng Moyu and Feng Moyan to simultaneously laugh coldly.

"That's funny, we'll be waiting then!"

"Don't disappoint us!"

The two openly mocked Bai Xiaosheng.

Even Lin Weiwei's face turned unsightly.

Feng Moyan directly told the old butler, "Later, make sure to carefully check their identities, don't let just anyone in!"

The old butler slightly bowed.

Feng Moyu and Feng Moyan swaggered into the castle.

The old butler turned to Bai Xiaosheng and the other two, smiling as he asked, "You three, may I see your invitations?"

Chapter 1600 - They Are My Friends!

The old butler of Ferro Winery stood with a smile, waiting for Bai Xiaosheng and his two companions to present their invitations.

Although Feng Moyu and Feng Moyan, the Feng family siblings, had instructed him to thoroughly check the invitations and identities of these three individuals, the old butler actually had no intention of making things difficult for them. After all, guests are guests, and Mr. Antonio had specifically instructed that there should be no preferential treatment based on status.

Of course, the winery's butler and servants were only required to treat all guests equally in terms of attitude.

In reality, however, the treatment of guests was far from uniform.

For instance, distinguished guests could enter directly without queuing to have their invitations checked.

Naturally, the old butler also knew that among the guests in the past, there had been people of unusual backgrounds who kept a low profile and might still follow the rules by queuing to enter.

In the eyes of the old butler, despite appearing young and ordinary at first glance, these three people exuded an elusive, extraordinary aura in their demeanor and actions.

Thus, the old butler maintained a very humble posture.

Other guests queued behind Bai Xiaosheng, their eyes curious and fixed on the three.

They all recognized the Feng family members and were ordered to make way by Feng Moyu and Feng Moyan, not daring to resist.

The fact that these three in front did not even give face to the Feng family surprised everyone.

Ordinarily, attending such a high-profile banquet would mean knowing the Feng family; anything else seemed unlikely...

Thus, daring to confront the Feng siblings, they must have some confidence; at least, their backing might rival that of the Feng family.

The onlookers had eyes full of questions, though.

Would someone with power comparable to the Feng family need to queue?

As guests, that's what they all wondered.

Bai Xiaosheng and his companions were like a contradictory ensemble, drawing attention.

Under the watchful eyes of the guests, Lin Weiwei explained to the old butler, "Mr. Butler, our invitation fell into the pool over there just now and is now entirely ruined, so we no longer have an invitation. However, we once met Mr. Antonio, who verbally invited us. Would that be acceptable?"

As she spoke, Lin Weiwei handed over an exquisite business card.

The old butler paused, taking the card and examining it.

Indeed, it was Antonio's business card.

However, in recent years, Mr. Antonio rarely gave business cards to strangers as invitations, leaving almost no one visiting without a formal invitation.

"When did you get this?" the old butler couldn't help but ask, noting that the card's design seemed outdated.

"It must be one or two years ago," Lin Weiwei was unsure and looked at Bai Xiaosheng.

After all, it was quite some time back, given to them at the home of Zhang Xi, an old friend of Elder Xia.

Bai Xiaosheng thought for a moment and nodded. He couldn't quite remember the specifics either.

"Is this your first time attending Mr. Antonio's banquet?" the old butler couldn't help but ask.

Mr. Antonio didn't always host these gatherings at Ferro Winery; sometimes, they were elsewhere.

But when they were held here, the old butler was the one receiving the guests, hence his inquiry.

Normally, if these three had attended the banquet before, they would have used the card on their first visit; how could they still have it?

"Yes," Lin Weiwei nodded and admitted immediately.

This answer left those queued behind Bai Xiaosheng glancing at each other in surprise.

Their first time here?!

So that means... they genuinely didn't know the Feng family people before?!

Speculations about Bai Xiaosheng and his companions having unusual status were immediately dashed.

Even the old butler felt a slight sense of disappointment, thinking perhaps he'd misjudged.

"And may I ask, where did your previous invitation come from?" the old butler questioned again.

"Oh, it was from a friend of ours who couldn't attend and passed it to us to represent them," Lin Weiwei replied.

This explanation left the old butler taken aback.

He had never heard of invitations being transferable!

"Does a business card not suffice? Mr. Antonio said we are welcome to visit the winery anytime." Bai Xiaosheng calmly interjected.

"If attending such a high-society banquet could be as simple as picking up a business card, why would invitations be necessary?"

Behind Bai Xiaosheng, someone impatiently mumbled mockingly.

"Indeed, I haven't seen anyone use a business card to attend a banquet in recent years."

"That's right, it was only two years ago that such things happened, but not anymore."

"Mr. Butler, can we speed this up? We've been waiting for quite some time!"

More and more voices chimed in, complaints growing louder.

The old butler glanced at Bai Xiaosheng and his companions with some difficulty but remained polite, "If it were before, that would've been possible. However, since this year, we've had no such cases, so..."

Truthfully, even if there hadn't been such incidents recently, the old butler could still let Bai Xiaosheng and his friends in.

For Mr. Antonio is generous and never declines guests at his door.

Yet, these three made the old butler somewhat reluctant.

They had just offended prominent guests, with no apparent background of their own.

The Feng family, a renowned Chinese family in Europe, along with the White and Hawk families, controls seventy percent of the wine market, and even Mr. Antonio holds them in high regard.

The three now at odds with the Feng siblings, maintaining such a tough stance, would be dangerous once inside.

It could pose a risk to Mr. Antonio!

The old butler purposefully showed hesitation, hoping Bai Xiaosheng and his companions would take the hint and leave.

Otherwise, he'd have no choice but to ask them to leave on principle.

Protecting his master's interests was his undeniable duty as a butler!

Bai Xiaosheng could sense the old butler's intention but had no plans to retreat.

They were not in the wrong, so why step back?

Not before, neither now, nor ever in the future!

Seeing them stand firm, the old butler was about to issue them to leave.

At this moment, someone walked up from the end of the line—a young white man with soft black curls and gentle eyes.

He hadn't arrived early, just in time to see the Feng siblings mock the trio and storm away. He witnessed Bai Xiaosheng and his friends' composure and modesty.

He had an inexplicable good feeling about them, disliking the Feng siblings' arrogance.

"Mr. Butler, on my behalf, can you let them in?" the young man smiled as he approached, "They're my friends!"

Bai Xiaosheng also noticed the man, sizing him up.

Seeing his warm, pure, and courteous demeanor, Bai Xiaosheng felt a mutual good impression.

The young man noticed Bai Xiaosheng's gaze and nodded with a smile in greeting.

"Mr. Allen!" exclaimed the old butler, quite surprised upon seeing the young man.

There were murmurs from the queue too.

"Isn't that Allen White, the youngest of the White Family!"

"The famous Allen White who isn't into business but aspires to be a winemaker and bartender!"

"That's who the Feng siblings were waiting for earlier."

"When did he arrive..."

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From the chatter, Bai Xiaosheng gathered a rough idea about the young man. In his mind, he had Red Lotus search further about the White Family.

"Since it's Mr. Allen speaking, then of course!"

Facing Allen's request, the old butler nodded with a smile, without further hesitation.

With the backing of "White Family," the old butler dared not refuse.

The Fengs always sought an alliance with the Whites, considering Allen White as the match.

Even the Hawk family hoped to marry off a daughter to Allen, to strengthen bonds.

"Would you three like to accompany me inside?" Allen offered Bai Xiaosheng and his friends a sincere smile.

Bai Xiaosheng returned the smile and nodded, "Sure."

Then, led by Allen, they entered the castle.

The old butler stepped aside, courteous, no longer blocking their way.

Once they disappeared from view, whispered discussions resumed among those in line, tongues wagging.

The old butler also cast a deep glance inside.

With Allen's entry, things were different. Conflict would not arise.

At least, the Feng siblings would show him some respect.

The old butler felt at ease.

The subsequent checks went smoothly, but as they were wrapping up, a stunning woman with golden hair and blue eyes walked up from the back of the line, accompanied by a black bodyguard.

The old butler's gaze registered mild surprise, and he immediately stepped forward to greet her.

The crowd also noticed, their eyes filled with amazement.

The old butler stood smiling, slightly bowing, and welcomed the approaching beauty. "Miss Milos, welcome!"