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Chapter 951

Bai Xiaosheng was busy "deploying troops and arranging his formations" with Han Dong and the general managers of the various subsidiaries.

His planning was meticulous, his arrangements detailed; each step he took was measured, and he even managed to set traps for Qifeng Group by taking advantage of the situation.

This excited the general managers present, quickening their breaths with anticipation.

They held the utmost admiration for Bai Xiaosheng!

No matter how many people assisted in devising this system, the fact that Bai Xiaosheng had such a clear grasp of it, down to every detailed node, even being able to answer everyone's spontaneous questions.

Bai Xiaosheng's abilities were absolutely, undoubtedly, far surpassing anyone else present.

Even Han Dong felt inferior.

Officer Bai Xiaosheng, the new star of the affairs department, the man who could even put Officer Lin Yu in a tight spot.

His prowess was terrifying!

Everyone finally had a direct impression of him.

"Given time, I really don't know to what heights he can soar!"

Han Dong silently marveled, catching a glimpse of his grandson Han Minghao's awestruck and admiring gaze, and felt delighted.

"Minghao is also captivated and subdued by Officer Bai Xiaosheng's charisma, which is good!"

"Only by seeing the strength of peers, admiring them, and worshipping them can it ignite his fighting spirit, his potential! Having Officer Bai Xiaosheng as a mentor, in pursuit of a stronger self, is fortunate for the Han Family!"

Looking at Bai Xiaosheng again, Han Dong's eyes were tinged with gratitude.

Officer Bai Xiaosheng had come, and the third generation prodigal of the Han Family had turned back!

Just for this, Han Dong was filled with gratitude.

Lin Ke watched Bai Xiaosheng, her gaze focused.

Even she felt shocked.

Were these things Bai Xiaosheng mentioned the group's early deployments by any chance?

Lin Ke even suspected that might be the case.

Was it Sir Xiahou Qi who arranged for Bai Xiaosheng to come to Yunhai to adjust local industries and drive development...

But then, Lin Ke dismissed the idea.

Bai Xiaosheng's coming was her initiative; the two came together.

If he really came with some orders, she would definitely know.

"Could it be, this is truly his own planning! That's too incredible! And to think, he can fully mobilize these well-arranged enterprises for his use. Is this indeed... talent!"

Lin Ke considered herself a proud person, but she found that the more she was with Bai Xiaosheng, the more her confidence seemed to take a "hit."

"This guy really isn't human, leaving no room for others..." Lin Ke even thought, "It's over, he's definitely going to be promoted to Senior Affairs Officer before me. It's over, in the future, I'll be under his command..."

Lin Ke glanced at Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying.

These two actually seemed nonchalant as if Bai Xiaosheng regularly did the unexpected, and they were no longer surprised...

Could it be, just by being around Bai Xiaosheng, their experience had grown so vastly...

Lin Ke thought to herself.

After talking for three hours, Bai Xiaosheng finally finished speaking and smiled at everyone, "Let's leave it at that for now, general managers. You can go back and think it over. My considerations might not be comprehensive, and you are the experts in your respective fields. If there are issues, communicate them as soon as possible. If not, then implement the plans quickly."

Then, Bai Xiaosheng added, "We don't speak lightly of war..."

"But once we decide to go to war, we must not give the enemy any chances!"

Bai Xiaosheng's words were decisive and ruthless.

Everyone nodded.

Afterward, the gathering concluded, and everyone hurriedly left.

Even Han Dong didn't linger longer than necessary.

"We'll head back and take a look at the specifics, but no problem, Han Family Enterprise will implement it first thing tomorrow morning. This time, we have to race against time!" Han Dong said earnestly.

Bai Xiaosheng too, greatly admired his attitude.

After seeing everyone off, Bai Xiaosheng and the others returned to their residence.

"We might have to stay in Yunhai for a while this time," Lin Ke said.

"If we're fast enough, we'll start to see results in a month!" Bai Xiaosheng said confidently, "I'll request for the group to send someone to take over afterward. If Qifeng Group wants to continue this, then we'll have to accompany them to the end!"

Lin Ke smiled, "Then do you need to file a report? This is quite a big move."

Bai Xiaosheng nodded, "The report to the Affairs Department can wait until later; I have that right. But, I do need to inform Sir Xiahou Qi!"

Lin Ke nodded as well.

"Also, I won't be able to join you guys for fun. This involves competitiveness across multiple markets and fields; I need to think it through and plan accordingly." Having said that, Bai Xiaosheng muttered, "There's a lot to be done."

Indeed, there was a lot to be done. Without the assistance of Red Lotus, even if Bai Xiaosheng had great abilities, he would find it extremely challenging to accomplish.

An hour later.

Bai Xiaosheng spoke with Xiahou Qi, detailing the situation here.

Bai Xiaosheng shared his countermeasures and general strategy with Sir Xiahou Qi, seeking his review.

"Oh, that's very interesting. You're vying for the rights of the provincial industry head in the local province," Xiahou Qi said with interest, teasing a bit, and continued, "Your strategy is good, clear, and structured. To be honest, you've taken me by surprise!"

"I will speak on your behalf with the provincial industrial head of South Cloud Province. It won't affect you!"

"Go ahead and do it." In the end, Xiahou Qi said affirmatively, "I'll back you up!"

With these words from Xiahou Qi, Bai Xiaosheng felt reassured.

After hanging up the phone, Bai Xiaosheng went to plan for what was next.

Meanwhile, Xiahou Qi sat in his office, pensive and with a grim look, muttering to himself, "Clever Qifeng Group, just a local group, and yet daring to target our corporate enterprises!"

"If it weren't for Bai Xiaosheng's discovery, they might have succeeded in such an important potential city!"

"Hmph!" After that, Xiahou Qi let out a cold snort, his eyes sharp.

"However, the countermeasures taken by Bai Xiaosheng are indeed ingeniously impeccable, actually pushing our group's strategy in Yunhai to such an extent, not bad at all!"

Thinking of the strategies Bai Xiaosheng had discussed with him, Xiahou Qi's face broke into a smile again.

"This young fellow is really getting more capable."

"Li Haofeng was right; give it some time, and he might well qualify for Senior Affairs Officer!"

Leaving Bai Xiaosheng's movements aside, the moment Yu Zhongtian and Song Yao left the hotel, they headed straight for the station.

They had no intention of staying in Yunhai any longer than necessary and were eager to return.

"We can be home tonight, report to the old man first, and call a shareholders' meeting in the morning to explain the situation! That damned Bai Xiaosheng and the Yunhai Enterprise Federation, and Han Dong too—let them all go to hell!" Yu Zhongtian growled through clenched teeth, looking particularly grim throughout the journey.

This trip to Yunhai had been hasty and humiliating, souring his mood completely!

"We must not let them off; I'll talk to my dad when I get back and have him fully support CEO Yu!" Song Yao also spoke through clenched teeth, "The group's decision can come down in a few days, and by then, we'll catch them off guard!"

Chapter 952: Since It's Like This

At this time, in Dafeng City, not in the same province as Yunhai, inside the most luxurious villa in the local villa area, the number one villa.

In the study, two men were sitting opposite each other, drinking tea and chatting.

These two men, one with a square face, seemed quite authoritative, with a robust build. The other had round cheeks and was somewhat portly, with a temperament more reminiscent of a nouveau riche.

The man with the square face was Yu Qifeng, the father of Yu Zhongtian and head of Qifeng Group.

The chubby man was Song Yao's father, currently the largest shareholder of Qifeng Group, Song Zhe.

"This time, sending the two kids to Yunhai was partly for business, but I also thought it would be good for the young people to have fun together and take a vacation,"

Yu Qifeng poured more tea for Song Zhe, smiling, "Both kids are not young anymore. It's time for their wedding."

"Haha, indeed! Old Yu, I want to hold a grandson, and so do you," Song Zhe laughed heartily. "However, I only have this precious daughter. When it comes to having children, shouldn't one of them carry the Song family name? Don't worry, I won't let you lose out. Just agree to this small request of mine. From now on, whatever you say in the group, I will definitely support you."

Song Zhe even patted his chest.

Yu Qifeng chuckled, "Well, it's not for you and me to decide. We have to ask the kids, see if they are willing to have two."

Naturally, Yu Qifeng did not want his descendants to carry someone else's name, but at this moment, as Song Zhe was the company's largest shareholder, he had to be courteous.

Yu Qifeng's reply seemed to respect the children's opinions, but in reality, it was also a way of deflecting.

"Once they come back, I'll ask. If those two rascals don't agree, see if I don't sort them out," Song Zhe grunted dominantly.

He was a speculative businessman, with average deportment. Phrases like "those two rascals" came easily to him.

Even if Yu Qifeng cursed, it was only internally. This was a difference in cultivation.

This was also why Yu Qifeng was reluctant to entrust his grandchildren to Song Zhe's care.

Who knows what they would turn into!

"They have to come back first," Yu Qifeng said with a smile, holding his cup of tea and taking a sip.

The study's door was knocked on hurriedly twice, then pushed open directly. Someone rushed in, saying, "Dad, Uncle Song, I'm back."

"Pfft."

Yu Qifeng almost spit his tea on Song Zhe's face.

Yu Zhongtian had come back?

His return... was quite timely!

His son couldn't have already compromised with his future father-in-law, could he?

Yu Qifeng set his cup down, and Song Zhe also looked over, surprised, "Zhongtian? My dear girl? How did you come back!"

Yu Zhongtian and Song Yao had returned without prior notice; firstly, because it was not necessary, and secondly, to avoid worrying if their fathers were not free.

Upon arriving home, Yu Zhongtian found that both his father and Song Zhe were present, and that both were uncharacteristically free today.

Hence, he had rushed over with Song Yao to discuss their situation directly.

"Why so soon? What about Yunhai..." Yu Qifeng looked at Yu Zhongtian and Song Yao's uneasy faces, his own expression changing slightly. He set down his teacup and asked, "Is there a problem?"

"Wasn't that already taken care of? What else could go wrong there?" Song Zhe could not help interjecting.

"Exactly, I went with Zhongtian, and we were humiliated there," Song Yao stomped her foot, looking utterly wronged. "Uncle Yu, Dad, you have to stand up for us... no, no, wrong, our Qifeng Group was humiliated, massively! You can't delay any longer, we need to deal with those bastards now!"

Issues really arose!

Yu Qifeng and Song Zhe exchanged a stunned look and beckoned the two children to sit down and explain the situation.

Yu Zhongtian and Song Yao immediately and in detail described their experiences in Yunhai.

Of course, they naturally wouldn't depict their own embarrassing behaviors, and in their dear fathers' eyes, their children were always the epitome of modest gentlemen and graceful ladies, incapable of unbecoming behavior. They could only be bullied by those seasoned office politicians!

Thus, as Yu Zhongtian and Song Yao vividly elaborated, Yu Qifeng and Song Zhe imagined "the ugly faces of the adversaries" and "the injustices the children endured"...

When discussing Han Dong and Yunhai Enterprise Federation's attitudes, Song Zhe slapped the sturdy coffee table so hard that it almost cracked.

"Old Yu, you heard that, right? I said, forget about any 'dividing and treating'. You talk strategy to me? What use are those fancy tricks! Just altogether take down these bastards. I see, power is the truth, the bigger the fist, the sounder the reason. Look, you gave them a good face, and see how they repaid us!" Song Zhe roared.

The color on Yu Qifeng's face also darkened.

"These guys, that's not all!" Yu Zhongtian glanced at Song Yao, "They even found a ringleader from somewhere!"

Yu Zhongtian and Song Yao took turns describing Bai Xiaosheng, even fabricating many insults they claimed he hurled at them and at Qifeng Group.

Yu Qifeng and Song Zhe also listened with increasing shock and anger.

"He even said, he would not allow our Qifeng Group to enter Yunhai, or else, he would ensure we would not return!" Yu Zhongtian illustrated dramatically, his expression far more domineering and arrogant than Bai Xiaosheng's "original" demeanor.

But seeing this expression and hearing these words, Song Zhe shook with rage.

"Not only is this person overbearing, his followers are just as arrogant. They insult me, and they even intend to beat me!" Song Yao looked miserably at her own father.

"Scoundrels, scoundrels! Old Yu, listen to this, they dare to bully my daughter! We can't tolerate this any longer!" Song Zhe bellowed, and with one palm strike, the lid of the teacup jumped up.

Yu Qifeng was deep in thought, startled by this sudden outburst.

However, he did not calm Song Zhe down but merely straightened the lid of the teacup.

"You mentioned, Mayor Chu's secretary also went there? Was he trying to meddle in this affair? In the end, he just left without addressing it?" Yu Qifeng always felt something was amiss, "What was his attitude towards that young man!"

Yu Qifeng was able to build such a large group, he naturally wasn't simple.

He would never miss any detail.

"Secretary Song just didn't want to get involved in this conflict. He told us to resolve it ourselves, meaning, no matter how we deal with those enterprises, they would not intervene!" Yu Zhongtian explained to his father based on this understanding.

"Uncle Yu, are you concerned about that young man's background? I think you're worrying too much! Didn't you see? The people dining with him ranged from big to small businesses, people who network all sorts of fish and dragons. How powerful can his background be!"

Song Yao said, "Besides, you can't possibly delay actions on Yunhai's side just because you suspect he is not simple. I may not understand business, but I know opportunities are fleeting!"

"Exactly, Dad, if that young man really was some incredible figure, then Secretary Song wouldn't have left without a word but would have favored him instead." Yu Zhongtian hurriedly said.

He had been furious all the way here, desperate for revenge.

"Old Yu, why are you dilly-dallying!" Song Zhe was extremely impatient.

With the three of them speaking like this, and Yu Qifeng not having a clear picture of the details, he had to put his musings aside.

Song Yao's words were correct, opportunities are fleeting, and the losses from hesitating, he had experienced them before, otherwise Song Family wouldn't have become the largest shareholder of his enterprise!

"Old Song, let's convene a shareholders' meeting tomorrow noon and strive to get approval within two days!"

Once Yu Qifeng made a decision, he was resolute, "Since that's the case, we will dominate the market first!"

Chapter 953: Yu Qifeng's Confidence

A battle without the smoke of gunfire began to unfold.

Bai Xiaosheng and Yu Qifeng, each laid out their pieces.

In fact, there was another party in this storm, a neutral party—Yunhai City Government Office.

Originally, Song He was assigned by Chu Xingyun to discuss investment and cooperation matters with the representatives from Qifeng Group and some local enterprise representatives. However, he didn't stay for more than two minutes and had not even reached the predetermined private room before he returned.

He left behind nothing but a bunch of "diplomatic phrases".

Upon returning to the city government office, Song He made a beeline for Chu Xingyun's office to give a detailed report to Mayor Chu.

Mayor Chu listened intently to Song He's elaboration and smiled without saying a word.

"Mayor Xingyun, are we really not going to intervene?"

With no outsiders present, Song He couldn't help but ask.

"Intervene? How do you propose we intervene?" Chu Xingyun replied with a smile.

Song He was taken aback and said, "Tell them not to run amok in Yunhai!"

After saying that, Song He shook his head first.

Who would that warning be for?

To warn Qifeng Group?

They might stop investing!

Perhaps, there would be rumors outside that Yunhai imposes economic barriers and offers a terrible investment environment.

To warn the local enterprises?

Even less likely!

Turning your elbow outwards and chilling the hearts of your own people is an even bigger taboo.

To warn both parties?

You'd offend both sides!

In a market environment, sometimes that's how it is, with the city government caught in a difficult position.

"The best course of action we can take in this matter is to simply observe," Chu Xingyun said.

"Everything you've thought of, Bai Xiaosheng has already discussed with me. Moreover, he analyzed it meticulously from the perspective of pros and cons! If I repeat his words, you too would make the same decision in that situation!"

Mayor Chu was extremely confident.

Indeed, it was Bai Xiaosheng who had called the mayor!

Song He sighed inwardly, he had seen Bai Xiaosheng walking out from the inner part of the private room with a mobile phone in hand at the time.

When he received the call from Mayor Chu, he had guessed as much.

To think he could persuade the decisive Mayor Chu in such a short time!

Song He wondered what Bai Xiaosheng had said!

Apart from surprise, he was actually quite eager to hear it himself.

However, of course, he couldn't possibly ask Mayor Chu Xingyun to repeat it, so he could only think about it.

"The city government will not forcefully control the market, nor will it sway the decisions of enterprises,"

"However, the city government will still perform its regulatory functions, not permitting either party to overstep the boundaries! Not allowing the market to be thrown into chaos!"

Mayor Chu set two tones, "Remember these two points, and let them handle it."

"Perhaps, this is an opportunity for Yunhai's transformation as well,"

Chu Xingyun's smile contained a gleam of anticipation.

Song He looked at Chu Xingyun with immense admiration.

A long time ago, he had been impressed by Mayor Chu's foresight and courage. This kind of great resolve and determination, to "watch as the winds and clouds change and remain unmoved," to "let the storm rage on while claiming dominion over the universe," was not something ordinary people possessed.

"It's just that, I'm still worried about affecting Qifeng Group's investment in Yunhai. After all, it's a large enterprise. If they decide not to come, it would truly be a pity!" Song He couldn't help saying.

He was afraid that this dispute would turn into baseless consumption, that enterprises from outside would no longer come, and local enterprises would suffer a heavy blow.

Leaving Yunhai and the city government with nothing but endless troubles.

However, Song He believed that Mayor Chu had certainly foreseen this point.

Chu Xingyun looked at Song He and smiled.

He was well aware of what his chief secretary was thinking.

"Song He, do you think that just a few words from Bai Xiaosheng would persuade me?"

Chu Xingyun said with a smile, "Don't worry, if Qifeng Group really doesn't come, perhaps, we in Yunhai will gain even more!"

This statement made Song He start.

"A big market shark is about to arrive!"

Chu Xingyun said no more.

The next day, in the morning, Yu Qifeng of Qifeng Group gave Song He a phone call.

Yu Qifeng first expressed his apologies for the previous day's events, then made some probing statements.

Song He, following Mayor Chu Xingyun's prior instructions, conveyed the attitude of the Yunhai City Government Office truthfully.

The Yunhai City Government would not interfere with the normal competition between enterprises, provided they don't touch the law and red lines.

He also mentioned a welcome for Qifeng Group to come invest, promising that as long as the investment was in place, related favorable policies would follow suit.

Furthermore, he emphasized that if it was fair competition, the city government would not interfere with either party's "market behavior."

While making this call, Yu Qifeng was outside a meeting room where various shareholders of the Qifeng Group were gathered.

No sooner had he hung up than Song Zhe came out, hurrying to his side, all but complaining, "Mr. Yu, why are you still hesitating? Everyone inside is getting anxious!"

Yu Qifeng also smiled, "It's nothing, just confirming things one last time!"

"Then hurry up, today you're the main character, I fully support you, this matter is a hundred percent certain to pass. In two days, we will be able to show our might in Yunhai! Show those bumpkins a lesson!" Song Zhe was very confident.

Although he always spoke of the supremacy of strength and the uselessness of stratagems, he had seen Yu Qifeng's tactics and trusted them greatly.

"Good!" Yu Qifeng smiled at Song Zhe and nodded.

Yu Qifeng was a "strategist-type" businessman; he had already prepared a detailed "contingency plan" for Yunhai, specifically for dealing with "strong adversaries."

If this incident hadn't occurred, that contingency plan might have ended up never being used, to be admired privately by Yu Qifeng behind closed doors.

Now, with the contingency plan coming into play, in his heart, Yu Qifeng even harbored some anticipation.

It was time for the business world to witness once again the fearsome might of Yu Qifeng and the Qifeng Group!

With a glint in his eye, Yu Qifeng stepped into the meeting room.

The meeting lasted until four o'clock in the afternoon.

The resolution passed, quite simply.

Yu Qifeng was explaining his contingency plan to the group's senior executives, detailing the five-step strategy, which included "Feinting," "Forceful Attack," "Expansion," "Consolidation," and "Finishing."

Each phase was exquisitely crafted, and even a fool could see the power in them after Yu Qifeng's explanation.

These tactics also set the shareholders present ablaze with excitement.

Song Zhe kept banging on the table, enthusiastically saying, "Our Mr. Yu has brilliant methods, those bumpkins in Yunhai don't stand a chance!"

Song Zhe's words sparked a chorus of agreement.

"Exactly, Mr. Yu truly understands the art of business, masterfully wielding the Thirty-Six Strategies of commerce!"

"Just the first wave of feinting alone will make those enterprises become overdefensive and stray off course, by the time they realize what's happening, it will be too late!"

"Just the overt strategy alone is this formidable, it's truly worthy of Mr. Yu!"

"This time, our Qifeng Group is bound to triumph right from the start in Yunhai!"

Every shareholder in attendance applauded Yu Qifeng's tactics, praising them incessantly.

Yu Qifeng watched everyone with a confident smile on his face.

"Since everyone thinks there are no problems, that's great. In two days, we will launch our first round of offense in Yunhai!"

In Yu Qifeng's eyes burst a confident assurance of victory!

Chapter 954: Counter Their Tricks!

For two consecutive days, Yunhai was calm and tranquil.

Han Dong and his son, Han Chengren, representing the Yunhai Enterprise Federation and the local corporate group respectively, visited Bai Xiaosheng frequently to report and hear about upcoming arrangements and adjustments to the current deployment.

These two days had been tense for them.

Having heard that the Director of Qifeng Group had been thwarted here, he returned the same day, and by that evening, Qifeng Group should have been aware of the situation here.

According to Bai Xiaosheng's analysis given to them earlier, Yu Qifeng of Qifeng Group was decisive and aggressive in business, preferring blitzkrieg tactics and striking quickly. Furthermore, he was a cunning businessman who would set traps for his opponents, making him exceptionally challenging to handle.

Bai Xiaosheng had predicted that, at most within two to five days, Qifeng Group would definitely make a move.

Now, after two days had passed, Bai Xiaosheng also made frequent adjustments, erasing any obvious traces of their layout, making everything much more clandestine.

Father and son Han held both anticipation and unease.

On one hand, they trusted Bai Xiaosheng's plan, while on the other hand, they felt that the opponent might not "obey" and fall into their "trap".

In addition, they were still worried about the attitude of the city government.

That day, the Hans came at two in the afternoon and stayed until three, just for an hour.

Lin Weiwei then hurried over with a tablet in hand.

"Officer Bai, I've discovered something!"

Lin Weiwei walked up to Bai Xiaosheng, offered an apologetic smile to Han Dong and his son, and stretched the tablet out in front of Bai Xiaosheng to show him the information on it.

After Bai Xiaosheng read through the information carefully, Lin Weiwei flipped to another message. After reading it, Bai Xiaosheng handed the tablet to Han Dong.

"Take a look, our opponent has made a move," Bai Xiaosheng said leisurely, seemingly unimpressed by the messages.

Surprised, Han Dong took the tablet and read one message, then the next, his pupils contracting slightly in shock.

However, he said nothing and just passed it to Han Chengren beside him.

Han Chengren was not as composed as the others; he exclaimed, "What? Qifeng Group has actually...firstly entered Yunhai's tourism and insurance industries! This is beyond our expectations!"

Bai Xiaosheng had arranged for fifteen enterprises in the information technology and service sectors to seize critical markets and set traps for the opponent.

Unexpectedly, Qifeng Group had not entered those industries at all!

Instead, within a day, they sent out two investigative teams to five companies, inspecting several sub-markets within tourism and insurance industries.

This even topped the local news search!

Had Bai Xiaosheng's calculation been futile?

"Yu Qifeng, what an interesting person!" Bai Xiaosheng said with a smile, his eyes shining, "What a formidable opponent!"

Han Chengren looked at Bai Xiaosheng with a wry smile.

At a time like this, you still have the spirit to praise the opponent!

"This tourism sector is one of Yunhai's current pillars. The insurance industry is also thriving. If they successfully penetrate these sectors, several of our companies will be impacted, and if we rush to their aid later, we might get stuck in the mire. Shouldn't we hurry to set up our presence in these two sectors?" Han Chengren couldn't help saying.

Qifeng Group's initial move did not threaten Yunyu Industrial, and the impact on Han Family Enterprise was limited, affecting only some group corporations and some companies in the Yunhai Enterprise Federation.

However, currently, they were a collective, an alliance. If they disregarded the peril to their allies, wouldn't they be waiting to fall apart?

Han Dong glanced at Bai Xiaosheng.

Bai Xiaosheng also looked back with a smile, "Old Mr. Han, what do you think?"

"There's a trick here!" Han Dong said succinctly.

Deception?

Han Chengren couldn't help but glance at his father.

"Qifeng Group just took two days to start taking action, quickly and effectively organizing two inspection teams, multiple inspections within a single day."

Han Dong looked at his son and said, "Just as Affairs Officer Sheng mentioned, their plan is meticulous and effective."

This was already known, but what mattered was, what about the deception? Han Chengren was concerned about this.

"Hmph, if they had come in and captured the market, signing several contracts within a day, I would have really believed them!"

"But they, they still bother to make such a big fuss about inspections? How much longer do they want to inspect things!"

Han Dong scoffed, "Chengren, don't you remember their inspections were already completed long ago, even Yu Zhongtian's arrival was calculated as early communication with local enterprises and the municipal government's intentions."

Han Chengren was startled.

Indeed!

Even Qifeng Group wouldn't drag on like this if not for making such a high-profile appearance on the news for propaganda purposes.

Unless...

"They are doing it on purpose! Making us think they are targeting those two sectors first!" Han Chengren exclaimed, still somewhat in disbelief, "No way, that's so vicious!"

"Whether it is or not doesn't matter, we just need to stay steady and observe the changes!" Han Dong affirmed, "Those two markets, even if they capture some of it for a while, it doesn't matter, they can't swallow it all. It would be easy for us to counter-attack!"

Han Dong's insights were clear, his demeanor calm and wise.

Han Chengren nodded repeatedly, unable to contain his joy even in the presence of Bai Xiaosheng, an outsider, praising his father, "Dad, you really nailed it! You saw right through them!"

Bai Xiaosheng also nodded with a smile.

After all, experience comes with age!

The compliment from his son should have made Han Dong proud, but instead of appearing pleased, he humbly turned towards Bai Xiaosheng, "Chengren, this wasn't my own thinking! Affairs Officer Sheng had told us all about this earlier! It's you, not using your brain!"

Now, Han Dong's respect for Bai Xiaosheng deepened even further.

Whether it was Bai Xiaosheng's analysis of Qifeng Group and Yu Qifeng that day, or his composure today.

He had the demeanor of a great general!

Han Dong had also quickly thought of this point by watching Bai Xiaosheng's composure, combined with his analysis that day.

Being publicly criticized by his father, Han Chengren's face turned slightly red, and after thinking it through, he also cast an admiring glance at Bai Xiaosheng.

"Actually, I've been impatient for a while. Since Yu Qifeng is so interesting, let's give him a good game!"

Bai Xiaosheng's lips curved into a smile, his eyes also brimming with a rising battle spirit.

Beside him, Lin Weiwei and Lei Ying exchanged smiles.

Watching Han Dong and his son be persuaded, they too felt proud.

At the same time, both of them also took note of this first round of competition between the two parties, a most valuable business experience, beneficial for their future as well.

"Old Mr. Han, Mr. Han, I still need to trouble you today, I have some adjustments to make."

Bai Xiaosheng handed over a document to the two men, "I predict Qifeng Group's real target is our originally intended two markets! However, we still can't be careless, especially not letting those local enterprises leaning towards Qifeng Group notice."

"So, we also need to 'advance and retreat appropriately'!"

"They trick us, we counter-trick them!"

Chapter 955: Decisive Battle!

"What's the reaction from Yunhai Enterprise Federation now?"

Yu Qifeng sat in his office, the computer screen in front of him displaying several people's portraits.

These included the heads of the two inspection teams sent to Yunhai as well as trustworthy and significant business leaders from Yunhai, who were verbally acknowledged as "allies" by Yu Qifeng.

In reality, in Yu Qifeng's mind, they were merely pawns.

Allies? These people were worthy to be allies of Qifeng Group!

Yu Qifeng merely relied on them to closely monitor every move of his competitors, especially Han Family Enterprise and Yunyu Industrial.

These two enterprises were the main focus, their every move reflecting extremely vital information.

Moreover, according to Yu Qifeng's demands, every action of Han Dong and his son, Han Chengren, had to be understood as much as possible.

In business warfare, reaching his level was unmatched!

Even the few cooperative enterprises in Yunhai, after interacting, felt a chill in their hearts.

They even believed that the capabilities and schemes of President Yu from their side were terrifyingly unbeatable.

Unfortunately, they didn't know about Officer Bai Xiaosheng's strategic planning and shocking arrangements.

If they had known, they would never have such thoughts.

"Yunhai Enterprise Federation, overall there're no significant movements," someone said.

Indeed, in Bai Xiaosheng's strategy, not acting in unison was his first requirement.

Yunhai Enterprise Federation, not even two enterprises appearing "together," was all maneuvering.

"Han Family Enterprise, their recent operations in several sectors are also normal, there's nothing significant," another person added.

The more critical the enterprise, the more low-key they must act, which was Bai Xiaosheng's second requirement.

"The recent movements of several major enterprises in Yunhai Enterprise Federation, I've sent them to you, I don't think there's anything particularly noteworthy," another person asserted.

Even the heads of the inspection teams, whom Yu Qifeng trusted, laughed and said, "President Yu, Yunhai Enterprise Federation probably hasn't even realized what's happening yet!"

"Our actions are not only swift but also camouflaged, what they've noticed is only what we wanted them to notice. How can they defend!"

While these people revered Yu Qifeng's plans, they privately thought he was overthinking things.

This was clearly using a sledgehammer to crack a nut!

From Yunhai Enterprise Federation's end, all big talks were thunderous but matching Qifeng Group was merely a dream.

Yu Qifeng nodded slightly and pondered for a moment, "Alright, I've got it!"

After closing the video call, Yu Qifeng leaned back in the executive chair, his fingers interlaced on the desk, pondering deeply.

"Let's wait another three days to see, then throw some more smoke bombs at them!"

"Actual actions must also proceed simultaneously!"

"By the time those people realize what's happening, they'll have no chance!"

A cold smirk formed at the corner of Yu Qifeng's mouth.

During the next three days, news about Qifeng Group constantly came out in Yunhai City.

Qifeng Group really signed multiple letters of intent in the areas it was inspecting, and a few of them were genuine contracts.

The local media in Yunhai heavily claimed that this time, Qifeng Group would make the largest investment in Yunhai ever seen, which would boost Yunhai's economic development.

Upon receiving this news, Han Dong and his son went to see Bai Xiaosheng again.

Han Chengren was somewhat agitated, and even Han Dong frowned.

Initially thinking that Yu Qifeng of Qifeng Group was only using a diversion, now that the real signings took place, and on a large scale.

This can't be fake, right!

They were also incredibly anxious.

At Bai Xiaosheng's side, Lin Ke, who had heard the news and hurried over, was also a bit agitated.

"Perhaps your thoughts are sound, but Qifeng Group didn't follow your plan. Maybe Yu Qifeng isn't as formidable as you imagined. We have overestimated him. I think we need to rush our countermeasures, or it will be too late!" Lin Ke, ever impulsive, helped persuade Han Chengren.

Bai Xiaosheng remained calm, his smile unwavering.

He could hold his ground, with just one word, "Wait!"

"How much longer do we need to wait, are we supposed to just watch as the opportunity slips by!" Lin Ke fumed.

"Wait until they show their true colors!" Bai Xiaosheng was utterly certain, with just that one sentence.

However, this time, even Han Dong felt that they could take some preliminary measures.

Then, Bai Xiaosheng remained unmoved; he trusted his own judgment.

Of course, as for the basis of his judgment, he didn't elaborate further.

In the end, the father and son of the Han Family left sullenly, and Lin Ke, furious, dragged Lin Weiwei off to shop downtown, letting go of the matter.

At the city government, Song He conveyed all he had learned these days to Chu Xingyun.

Chu Xingyun listened carefully, his expression serene, "A good show is coming, and until the day of the reveal, the outcome may still be uncertain!"

Three days later.

Yu Qifeng, in a video call, learned the details from the other side, a smile on his face.

"It seems I overestimated them! Move now, first take over two major market segments, then advance swiftly!"

Yu Qifeng's smile bore the triumph of a victor, "This time, I intend to dominate Yunhai's premium market while completely disrupting the Yunhai Enterprise Association!"

In one day.

Qifeng Group suddenly announced a major partnership in the high-tech information industry and cutting-edge service industry across multiple markets.

These partnerships were all targeted at industry nodes, positioning at critical points in the supply chain.

For instance, Qifeng Group, through these partnerships, controlled the production of some key electronic components, which could impact various electronics enterprises, and in turn, affect many upstream and downstream businesses. With such maneuvers, they could disrupt their competitors' enterprises while benefiting their partners without causing market issues.

Upon receiving the news, Han Dong fell back into his seat, unable to recover for a long time.

It wasn't just him. In Yunyu Industrial, where Han Chengren was inspecting a project, he suddenly froze, speechless for a long while.

Not only the father and son of the Han Family, but all the general managers of Zhenbei Group's subsidiaries in Yunhai were profoundly shocked.

However, after the shock, everyone's eyes shone with an almost frenzied brilliance, overwhelmingly excited!

Qifeng Group's unexpected bold move had suddenly fallen into their lap.

Bai Xiaosheng's arrangement these past days had been exactly for this!

"Officer Bai Xiaosheng, really impressive!" Han Dong gasped after a long while, his face excitedly flushed.

"We were wrong, he was right all along! And he persisted until the correct outcome emerged!" Han Chengren shouted this out under the gaze of all, tossing his safety helmet aside, leaving onlookers astounded.

It was reported that within one day, all general managers of the group's subsidiaries had made wild gestures of madness.

Lin Ke directly barged into Bai Xiaosheng's office, running up to him, and stared at Bai Xiaosheng intently for a whole five minutes.

Afterward, she dropped a comment: "What kind of structure does this brain of yours have!"

Facing Lin Ke's exclamation, Bai Xiaosheng merely responded with a smile.

Under his calm composure, his heart was firmly assured!

He had won!

Bai Xiaosheng made a call to Han Dong, with just one message, "Begin the counterattack now!"

Chapter 956: He wants to treat me? Let's go!

Yu Qifeng received his last progress report about Qifeng Group's expansion in Yunhai while in the high-speed rail's business class cabin.

He was now, heading straight for Yunhai.

At the moment, this entire carriage was filled with Qifeng Group's senior executives.

Song Zhe sat next to him, followed by Yu Zhongtian and Song Yao.

Having read the report, Yu Qifeng, with a smile, passed it to Song Zhe.

Song Zhe quickly scanned through the report, his eyes shining with excitement, "Good, very good! With this, our foothold in Yunhai's business circle is now completely stable! Even if they all band together, trying to stop us is nothing but a pipe dream!"

Yu Qifeng smiled and nodded in agreement.

"In less than a month, those businesses will have to come begging to us! The Yunhai Enterprise Federation? Just a rabble, not worth a sneer!"

Yu Qifeng laughed proudly, his demeanor contemptuous, "The situation in Yunhai is fast-paced and has broad prospects. As long as we seize the opportunity and undergo a three to five-year incubation period, we can accomplish great things here! Qifeng Group's scale will be several times larger than it is now, and not only that, we will become a true conglomerate!"

Yu Qifeng's passionate speech left Song Zhe extremely excited.

"Old Yu, you are the expert in managing the company. I'm counting on you to make the big bucks, haha," Song Zhe laughed heartily. "Those small fries in Yunhai can't hold a candle to you, the Dragon King! Damn it, they have no idea what they're up against, utterly overestimating themselves."

As he spoke, Song Zhe even patted Yu Qifeng's shoulder.

Yu Qifeng also wore a joyful smile, looking at the shareholder next to him who was smiling so widely that his back teeth could be seen.

"Ants trying to shake a tree!"

Yu Qifeng murmured softly, a hint of coldness in his eyes.

This Song Zhe had taken advantage of his oversight, of the company's capital crisis, to dare to steal the position of the biggest shareholder of Qifeng Group.

Once this chess move in Yunhai is secure, next, I will use this place to deal with you!

Your Song Family will sooner or later get the hell out of Qifeng Group!

Yu Qifeng's smile grew even wider.

"Old Yu, this time, you said we're meeting with Mayor Chu of Yunhai to talk about a deeper collaboration. But I think we should also meet with some other people!" Song Zhe suggested seriously.

"Oh? Who should we meet?" Yu Qifeng asked.

"That Han Dong, and that Bai Xiaosheng!" Song Zhe's face twisted into a malicious grin. "The things they did publicly humiliating Zhongtian and my sweet daughter, as a father, I must avenge them!"

A fierce look appeared in Song Zhe's eyes.

Yu Qifeng pondered for a moment, then smiled and nodded, "That sounds good!"

The journey was peaceful.

After the Qifeng Group's delegation arrived in Yunhai, they settled in and got in touch with the Yunhai City Government Office.

They claimed to be Chairman Yu Qifeng of Qifeng Group, wishing to meet with Mayor Chu Xingyun.

Yu Zhongtian was responsible for making the contact.

After making the arrangements, Yu Zhongtian, however, furrowed his brows, and reported back to Yu Qifeng and Song Zhe, "The Yunhai City Government Office says Mayor Chu Xingyun has gone on an inspection trip to the subordinate areas and won't be back for a while, his secretary Song He is accompanying him."

"What a coincidence," Song Zhe muttered.

Yu Qifeng's expression flickered uncertainly.

Yunhai was abuzz with news following a series of moves by Qifeng Group, stirring up many of the local businesses.

Could the Yunhai City Government possibly not know anything about it?

But speculations were pointless; if they couldn't meet, they couldn't meet.

Yu Qifeng stopped thinking about it.

"Then let's not rush to meet with Mayor Chu of Yunhai, let's go see Han Dong and that Bai fellow first!" A malicious smile spread across Song Zhe's face.

Upon hearing this, both Yu Zhongtian and Song Yao lit up.

Recalling the ridicule from a few days ago,

now was their time for revenge!

"This time, I want to make him beg like a dog!" Yu Zhongtian exclaimed excitedly, "And I won't let him off either!"

Yu Qifeng nodded in agreement with Song Zhe's suggestion.

"Hmm, that's fine! After all, we're bound to meet sooner or later. I too want to see what sort of existence this arrogant youngster really is!" said Yu Qifeng.

At this very moment, Bai Xiaosheng was enjoying tea with Lin Ke.

"I've given it a lot of thought, and although your predictions are incredibly accurate, if we time our countermeasures just right, wouldn't Yu Qifeng react with a fierce counterattack instantly? When it comes to funds and personnel, they're still stronger than us by a margin." Lin Ke couldn't help but worry, "And his methods, I feel, are quite out of the ordinary!"

To her concern, Bai Xiaosheng just smiled slightly.

"Yu Qifeng, I've read many reports about him; the guy even published an autobiography," Bai Xiaosheng answered irrelevantly.

"Why bother reading those?" Lin Ke asked curiously, "When did you find the time? Do you even have such leisure?"

To Lin Ke, it seemed all of Bai Xiaosheng's time and energy in recent days should have been spent on considering the opponent's moves and studying their own countermeasures.

How could he still have the mood to thoroughly study his opponent?

Bai Xiaosheng didn't reply to her, nor could he.

He couldn't possibly tell Lin Ke about the super artificial intelligence in his brain.

A mere amount of text, one tea session was enough to process.

So Bai Xiaosheng merely continued on his own topic, "Yu Qifeng greatly values the capabilities of his subordinates. He doesn't wish for a problem to remain unsolved at the lower levels when it reaches him."

"Where did the problem originate?"

"What serious consequences will it lead to?"

"What prompt and efficient solutions did those in charge implement immediately?"

"These are what he wants to see!"

"Such a dominant boss will certainly have a group of fierce subordinates, especially with the elites among the elites of Qifeng Group orchestrating the situation in Yunhai," said Bai Xiaosheng.

Lin Ke was taken aback, "Isn't that worse for us?"

Bai Xiaosheng smiled once again.

"It would be worse if all the problems were piled directly onto Yu Qifeng right away. At the moment, it's not the case!"

"A formidable armored cavalry, if moving together, is like a steel torrent that we would find hard to withstand."

"However, if they are made to fight on all fronts, with each part committing to so-called 'effective' countermeasures, the whole becomes complete chaos!"

There was a hint of amusement in Bai Xiaosheng's eyes as he spoke, "By the time a 'satisfying' report reaches Yu Qifeng's hands—"

"It will be too late!"

While the two of them were chatting, Bai Xiaosheng's phone suddenly rang.

"Han Dong," Bai Xiaosheng muttered as he glanced at the caller ID.

After picking up, Bai Xiaosheng engaged in a brief conversation with Han Dong.

Lin Ke noticed a gleam in Bai Xiaosheng's eyes.

"Oh, Yu Qifeng of Qifeng Group is here... there's a banquet tonight... and I'm invited too?"

Bai Xiaosheng laughed.

"Our countermeasures are taking effect, and soon they'll turn into reports for Yu Qifeng's review..."

"By that time, I'm afraid it'll be just about over!"

"We must attend this dinner!" Bai Xiaosheng spoke with a laugh, "Perhaps, we might even witness a great drama unfolding!"

Chapter 957: The Ferocious Counterattack

Wei Dashan, Senior Executive at Qifeng Group's New Industry Department.

Being a Senior Executive may seem like a grand position in other companies, but at Qifeng Group, it ranked only below Yu Qifeng himself.

Of course, this position seemed impressive, but Qifeng Group had more than a dozen Senior Executives. There even was a competitive job posting system. Every two years, a performance review took place, with the capable being promoted and the incompetent demoted.

Therefore, the competition was also very fierce.

This time, Wei Dashan was in Yunhai.

In this bold move, Qifeng Group had taken control of an electronic components factory.

Wei Dashan was sent to oversee the operation.

The reason someone of Wei Dashan's stature was needed to be in charge was that this electronic components factory was incredibly important!

This factory was the largest and strongest electronic components factory in the province where Yunhai was located. Its products even reached the surrounding provinces.

Many manufacturers, including those of mobile phones, precision instruments, medical devices, and electrical appliances, relied on its products.

Used well, this piece could control many sub-markets, and its influence was immeasurable!

Wei Dashan was assigned here to, according to Yu Qifeng's plan, gradually adjust the factory's supply to certain Yunhai businesses, fostering and strengthening allies while striking at competitors.

At the same time, Wei Dashan had to control the situation to avoid market fluctuations.

A heavy responsibility and a long road ahead!

Being in charge of this, Wei Dashan also felt Yu Qifeng's immense trust in him.

Therefore, he was full of zeal.

"Yunhai Enterprise Association? That bunch of wimps, still dreaming of challenging my Qifeng Group! This time, I'll start by taking care of a few of their companies, reducing direct supply, and at the same time, using product supply as leverage to make some enterprises and their customers join forces against the Yunhai Enterprise Association's other businesses, to impose 'sanctions'!"

Wei Dashan also had a deep understanding of the "enemies" at Yunhai and was thinking of hitting them hard.

Today, he heard that Yu Qifeng, Chairman, and Song Zhe, major shareholder, were coming, which made him happy.

Wei Dashan also planned to submit a report to the two in the evening, showing that progress was smooth on his end and showcasing his capabilities.

"Chairman Yu is always generous in rewarding those with ability. He even told me privately that if I perform exceptionally, I could receive a share in the factory stock!"

Sitting in his new office, Wei Dashan had endless daydreams about the future.

While he was pondering, an assistant from Qifeng Group hurriedly ran in, holding a stack of printed materials in his hand.

"Something's wrong, President Wei!" The assistant even forgot to close the door as he exclaimed anxiously.

"What's the matter! Why the panic!"

Wei Dashan scowled and glared, pointing with his hand.

The assistant hurriedly turned around, closed the office door, and then rushed to Wei Dashan.

"What happened?!" Seeing his assistant's state, Wei Dashan's attention became focused as he asked.

Just like Yu Qifeng's trust in him, he also trusted this assistant very much. He even entrusted this person with managing the entire elite team and handed over all aspects of the factory work.

"There's a problem with the supply of a common raw material for several core products of our factory!"

The assistant placed a piece of paper in front of Wei Dashan.

"How could that be!" Wei Dashan frowned and took the paper to read.

Such raw material supplies were usually from long-term, reliable suppliers with comprehensive contracts in place.

A problem? That's a joke!

"A private testing agency in Yunhai reported to the relevant authorities that there might be potential safety vulnerabilities in the transportation and storage by the supplier!"

"Third-party testing agency?" Wei Dashan was stunned.

Why would a profitable institution do this for free? Were they bored?

"Impossible, isn't there a standard set for suppliers' transportation and storage? Could there be vulnerabilities?" Wei Dashan didn't believe it.

"This raw material is newly refined, but the standards haven't kept up..."

"Did the officials accept the complaint?"

"We can't just ignore it; a Yunhai media outlet, together with its peers, is monitoring this! Whether there's an issue or not, we have to halt operations for a check, which will take a week. But we need to ramp up production this week because a local business in Yunhai has placed a large order. If we breach the contract, the penalty is triple the order amount!"

Wei Dashan's heart chilled, sensing something was amiss!

"You! Hurry up and find me the information on that third-party inspection agency, the media outlet, and the business that placed the order..." Wei Dashan said urgently.

"I've already got it!" The assistant quickly handed over several sheets of paper.

Wei Dashan glanced at them, and his pupils shrank instantly.

"All these are enterprises of the Yunhai Enterprise Federation!"

Wei Dashan recognized it!

"It's not just a problem with the raw materials, President Wei. There also is a training institution that's offering double the monthly salary to poach some of our key technicians, claiming they will be training employees for other businesses elsewhere..." the assistant continued.

The sheets handed over clearly listed the information of that enterprise.

It was yet another enterprise belonging to the Yunhai Enterprise Federation!

Wei Dashan's eyes widened again.

"There are other problems too..."

Sheets of paper fell from the assistant's hands, one after another, as a series of big and small problems followed.

Wei Dashan was dumbfounded.

What is the Yunhai Enterprise Federation up to!

Are they ants trying to take down an elephant?

Not just Wei Dashan, almost simultaneously, all of Qifeng Group's initiatives in Yunhai were hit with numerous challenges and troubles.

If they were a snake, these issues wouldn't strike at its head or tail but precisely at its vital spot.

Yu Qifeng and the others, filled with a sense of achievement, were waiting for good news, ignorant of the fact that their senior personnel in Yunhai were frantically firefighting.

And none of them reported the issues to Yu Qifeng right away.

Just as Officer Bai Xiaosheng said, these people were elites, and elites should take on the worries of their boss. Even if they couldn't solve the problems completely, they needed to contain them first. Otherwise, they wouldn't be able to justify their own roles.

As a result, Yu Qifeng's side ended up being the last to know.

However, Han Dong was receiving "good news" frequently, with a clear understanding of everything.

"Good, you're doing great! Keep up the good work!"

"They want to talk with you? Don't bother with them! Don't talk to them!"

"They've come to our door three times already, with the general manager stepping in? Tell them, if they really want it, to raise their offer, triple! No, make it five times! After all, our investment wasn't small, we're not running a charity. We naturally need to earn back the principal, the profit, and the hardship fee all rolled into one!"

"What? They agreed? What will you do now? Idiots, add more to the price!"

Han Dong had a row of phones in front of him, each ringing one after another. He was busy enjoying the calls and was gleefully giving advice to all parties.

The bottom line had already been discussed with him by Officer Bai Xiaosheng, so Han Dong could make decisions right then and there.

Beside him, Han Chengren and Han Minghao were watching with eyes wide open.

One could imagine what a mess Qifeng Group was in by now!

"Indeed, such cutthroat strategies; it's utterly ruthless!" Han Minghao murmured, his face red with excitement.

"And they've definitely not crossed the line, leaving no room for criticism. That's amazing. Son, learn well!" Han Chengren said.

Han Minghao nodded vigorously.

Han Dong was so busy his two hands weren't enough, but he didn't want his son or grandson to help.

Not because he doubted their abilities, but because—

This work was too enjoyable!

Seeing the two of them still standing there foolishly, Han Dong suddenly became annoyed.

"What are you two doing, just standing there idle!" Han Dong snapped, "Stop staring and get going. Inform Officer Bai Xiaosheng of the situation right away!"

"Oh, right!"

Chapter 958 That's quite a feast!

Having received the report from the Han father and son, Bai Xiaosheng was exceedingly satisfied with it and casually passed it to Lin Ke and the others.

"The various responses from Qifeng Group are also written here," said Bai Xiaosheng as Lin Ke and the others were reading.

"Look, if we discuss each one individually, their handling isn't the best, but it definitely isn't wrong!"

"However, the problem lies in the fact that each issue, seemingly isolated, is connected when viewed as a whole. If they could be aware of all the issues, perhaps their approach would differ greatly."

"They could even make a powerful countermove in a very short period!"

"But unfortunately, those in charge at Yunhai will not inform each other of their issues. They're not fools; they won't let their competition see them in a compromising situation."

"Judging from these scattered responses, I think Yu Qifeng still hasn't received the report up until now."

With these words from Bai Xiaosheng, Lin Ke, Lin Weiwei, and Lei Ying nodded repeatedly.

The reality was exactly as Bai Xiaosheng said.

"Now it's five in the afternoon. Han Dong said Yu Qifeng is hosting a dinner at eight," Bai Xiaosheng mumbled to himself, silently estimating in his heart.

He immediately felt amused.

With Red Lotus's help, the assessment result was—there's a very high probability that at half-past eight, Yu Qifeng would receive reports flooding in from all directions.

"So, Yu Qifeng should receive the report while we're dining together," Bai Xiaosheng said with a smirk.

"I want to go too, I must go!" Lin Ke raised his hand immediately, excitedly saying.

This was interesting! And it sounded like it would be even more interesting at the time!

"We're all going!" Bai Xiaosheng said decidedly, "How could anyone miss such excitement!"

"Besides, that's going to be quite a feast!"

Having reviewed the report sent by the Han family, Bai Xiaosheng and the others chatted leisurely while patiently waiting.

Time ticked by slowly.

In a blink, it was seven-thirty. Han Dong and Han Chengren arrived to pick them up.

"Old Mr. Han, your efforts are greatly appreciated!" Bai Xiaosheng joked.

"We need your strategy to make this a success," Han Dong laughed heartily.

Then, the group of six took a Mercedes-Benz business vehicle and headed to the appointed time and place for Yu Qifeng's dinner.

At the most opulent five-star hotel in Yunhai City, at the top-floor restaurant.

When Bai Xiaosheng and his group arrived, they saw Yu Zhongtian personally greeting guests at the entrance, with bodyguards in sharp suits standing on both sides.

As always, very imposing.

"Mr. Yu, we meet again," Bai Xiaosheng said with a brimming smile as he approached Yu Zhongtian.

"Yes!" Yu Zhongtian also smiled as he watched Bai Xiaosheng, but his smile contained a hint of cold mockery, "I still remember what Mr. Bai said last time. It was truly lofty and domineering! I wonder if today, you will still make startling remarks!"

"You want to hear it, you will," Bai Xiaosheng smiled.

Yu Zhongtian scoffed coldly, "Who was it that said last time, if my Qifeng Group came to Yunhai, you would make sure we had no return?"

Bai Xiaosheng smiled and said nothing.

Seeing this, Yu Zhongtian felt as though he won a round and became even more proud, "Mr. Bai, do you read the news? My Qifeng Group not only came, but we also made big moves in multiple markets in Yunhai! Just in the past day or two! Your words, they didn't quite come true!"

"Is that so, then congratulations are in order," Bai Xiaosheng said with a smile.

Yu Zhongtian's smile was smug and mocking, "Now you know the strength of my Qifeng Group? Then please, a meal with the Chairman of Qifeng Group, I'm afraid that in your lifetime, this could be the only chance!"

Saying this, Yu Zhongtian led the way full of pride.

Bai Xiaosheng and Han Dong and the others exchanged smiles.

This time, even Lin Ke couldn't be bothered to argue.

Following Yu Zhongtian, the six of them entered and found that the top-tier restaurant was completely booked!

"Qifeng Group really does throw its weight around!" Bai Xiaosheng couldn't help but exclaim.

Yu Zhongtian gave him a haughty glance.

Bumpkin!

Bai Xiaosheng and his party walked towards the only occupied table.

At that table, in the seat of honor, sat a man in his fifties with a square face, exuding an extraordinary bearing, his eyes sharp as if they could see through people's hearts.

Next to him was a fat man, older in age, with a haughty and arrogant demeanor, indifferently sizing them up.

Song Yao was sitting next to that fat man.

"This gentleman must be Mr. Yu Qifeng, the Chairman of Qifeng Group, and this one, I presume, is Mr. Song Zhe, the largest shareholder of Qifeng Group," Bai Xiaosheng said with a smile, not waiting for Yu Zhongtian to introduce them, and nodded in greeting.

The two men's eyelids twitched, just about to retort arrogantly, but Bai Xiaosheng simply pulled up a chair himself and sat down directly opposite Yu Qifeng.

Yu Qifeng looked at the young man with a half-smile, saw his nearly arrogant behavior, but remained calm and noncommittal.

"Excuse me, who do you think you are, sitting down without being invited?" Song Zhe glared, "Don't you have any manners?"

"Exactly! Clearly a person with no upbringing!" Song Yao couldn't help but interject.

Yu Zhongtian, on the other hand, said nothing, only giving Bai Xiaosheng a glare.

"Speaking of manners, when the two gentlemen saw a guest approaching the table, you didn't even pretend to stand up; isn't that even more impolite? I think it's better not to criticize others," Bai Xiaosheng said with a teasing smile.

"You!"

Song Zhe was about to erupt, but Yu Qifeng stopped him.

"Young people should know to respect the old and cherish the young, and besides, Old Mr. Han hasn't taken his seat yet!" Yu Qifeng straightened up intentionally and nodded specifically at Han Dong.

With that remark, there was a hint of instigation.

Han Dong laughed heartily, "It's fine, it's fine, today is a meeting of the higher-ups after all, and by position and accomplishment, this old man should follow after Mr. Bai!"

Han Dong was not naive enough to fall for such childish provocations.

What Yu Qifeng really aimed to cause was dissatisfaction in Han Chengren. Unexpectedly, Han Chengren just smiled without a word, pulled up a seat next to Bai Xiaosheng for a young lady who had come with him, then pulled up a chair for his father before taking a seat beside him.

Another man and woman took their seats on the other side of Bai Xiaosheng.

This large table, seating over a dozen people, was still more than half-empty.

The two sides faced each other as if in opposition.

"So, this young brother's position is even above Old Mr. Han's. However, I recall that the Han Family runs a private enterprise, and moreover, if I'm not wrong, Old Mr. Han is still in charge of the Yunhai Enterprise Federation!" Yu Qifeng, provoked by Han Dong's words, gave Bai Xiaosheng a sharp look, assessing him.

Such a formidable young man!

He also carried an intimidating aura, which even made Yu Qifeng feel somewhat oppressed as he sat there.

He became more cautious.

This kid is no simpleton!

No one would answer Yu Qifeng's doubts, and Bai Xiaosheng simply laughed, "Knowing it was Mr. Yu hosting the meal, and in such a high-class restaurant, we naturally haven't eaten. It wouldn't be too much to talk while eating, would it?"

Song Zhe and others sneered at Bai Xiaosheng's attitude.

You're here for a meal, just to eat?

"Not at all, talking over a meal is just perfect!" Yu Qifeng stared at Bai Xiaosheng and said with a smile.

He had wanted to take a more aggressive stance, but considering Han Dong's demeanor and Bai Xiaosheng's noteworthy presence, he suddenly became interested.

Yu Qifeng gave the order.

Shortly after, servers brought up a stream of various dishes.

This meal, just the bottle of wine alone was worth a hundred thousand!

Bai Xiaosheng and his companions feasted heartily, after all, why waste a free meal?

Yu Qifeng attempted several probing questions, all deflected, which slightly furrowed his brow.

About twenty minutes later, Bai Xiaosheng, full from the meal and wine, wiped his mouth with a wet towel, tossed it aside, and said with a smile to Yu Qifeng, "Thank you for the hospitality, Mr. Yu!"

"Now, let's cut the chit-chat and talk business, shall we!"

Chapter 959: Unpredictability in Business!

"Okay, Mr. Bai is straightforward! Now, let's discuss some serious matters!" Yu Qifeng smiled upon hearing Bai Xiaosheng's words.

Beside him, Yu Zhongtian called the waiter and quickly cleared the remnants of food from the table and served tea to everyone.

"I wonder, Mr. Bai, where do you come from with such esteem? Earlier, I noticed Old Mr. Han valued you greatly; you must have an impressive background!" Yu Qifeng smiled as he sized up Bai Xiaosheng. "Can you reveal a bit about yourself?"

By Yu Qifeng's side, Song Zhe felt impatient seeing him treat this young man with such courtesy.

Was it necessary to be so polite with this guy?

In Song Zhe's view, even this dinner was superfluous!

Song Yao also disapproved of Yu Qifeng's attitude.

She kept glancing at her father, but ultimately, she remained silent.

After all, she would eventually marry into the Yu family. Yu Qifeng was her future father-in-law and the chairman of Qifeng Group. In front of others, it wasn't proper for Song Yao to be disrespectful.

Otherwise, her family, the Song Family, would be the one ridiculed.

"Mr. Yu, isn't it enough that I recognize your distinguished status? Why should you care about mine?" Bai Xiaosheng chuckled. "Even if I told you, would you consider becoming my friend and cancel all your operations in Yunhai, or stop competing with the Yunhai Enterprise Federation for market share?"

That would certainly be impossible!

"If Mr. Yu agreed to that, I wouldn't even need to speak!" Han Dong laughed and thumped his chest as a promise.

Yu Qifeng's look towards Bai Xiaosheng grew cold.

He treated this young man with such respect because he sensed an extraordinary presence and temperament, even hosting a meal for him.

Suddenly, Yu Qifeng felt an emotion akin to "I had intended my heart for the bright moon, but alas, the moon illuminates only the trenches."

This kid simply didn't appreciate the gesture!

"Kid, you're quite arrogant! And Han Dong, what are you saying!" Song Zhe snorted coldly. "The young man doesn't understand the seriousness, and you're chatting like this? We've invested over a billion. Do you think, based on this kid alone, he has the right to make us give up the market here?"

"This is no joke!"

"Moreover, is this kid a royal relative or a high-ranking official?"

"He is certainly not qualified to hinder the steps of Qifeng Group!"

"I think you've had too much good wine and it's gone to your head, talking nonsense!"

With these harsh words, Song Zhe sneered even more ferociously, "You've seen the news, right? If you still don't understand the current situation, just wait for your demise..."

"Old Song! You're being too impolite. No matter what, Old Mr. Han can still be considered our elder!"

Yu Qifeng, smiling, raised his voice to stop Song Zhe.

But he seemed quite pleased with Song Zhe's remarks.

Without clear communication, now was just perfect!

Seeing Bai Xiaosheng seemed to be contemplating, Yu Qifeng suddenly laughed.

"Young friend, the way of business isn't simply black or white, nor clearly cut between friend or foe. This is something Old Mr. Han should be well aware of."

"For merchants, there are no eternal enemies, no eternal friends, only eternal interests."

"Currently, cooperating with us is your only way out!"

Bai Xiaosheng looked towards him.

Yu Qifeng continued, "If you bring enough to the table, along with the Han Family, I think we could be friends, not enemies."

Yu Qifeng looked at Han Dong with "sincere" eyes.

This banquet was hosted partly for the man named Bai and partly for Han Dong.

Yu Qifeng didn't want to completely crush the Yunhai Enterprise Federation; even with substantial differences, estranging them would be laborious and ungracious.

Better to "win without fighting" and take them as "allies"!

His aggressive moves earlier were meant to force their compliance and cooperation with him.

That way, Qifeng Group could grow rapidly in Yunhai with less cost and time.

"We also don't want conflict, but Mr. Yu, your actions in Yunhai these past days have been so aggressive and ruthless that we at the Yunhai Enterprise Federation have been completely bombarded!" Han Dong's expression darkened. "We have no choice but to fight!"

The talk came to this point, there was no need to pretend anymore.

Song Zhe burst into laughter, "How is it, old Mr. Han, have you come to realize your current predicament? Yet you were able to feast so happily just before, that isn't easy; such deep cunning!"

"Could it be that stress has turned into appetite?" Song Yao ridiculed.

"Ah, Yao Yao, Old Mr. Han is a senior after all. Speaking so bluntly, how can someone refute that?" Yu Zhongtian feigned reprimand, but actually joined in the mockery.

Yu Qifeng spoke with utter sincerity, "Old Mr. Han, as a senior, you should know that business is ruthless. Previously, our opposition to each other meant mutual exploitation was inevitable! As long as Yunhai Enterprise Federation, or even your Han Family, sets an example by standing with my Qifeng Group, and we form an alliance, our situation need not deteriorate to the point where we can't meet without issues!"

Bai Xiaosheng and Han Dong exchanged a glance.

"Even if we form an alliance, I fear that the market share left for our companies won't be much!" Han Dong sneered coldly.

"Naturally, or else why would someone come to Yunhai, tossing in billions for nothing - is it for tourism?"

Bai Xiaosheng answered for Yu Qifeng.

"Kid, don't speak cold words. Today we've arranged a banquet to give you face! I am not afraid to tell you! With my Qifeng Group's current layout, taking down your companies wouldn't be a difficult task!

Don't reject the face I'm offering!" Yu Zhongtian, full of arrogance, grinned sinisterly, "By then, your companies, even if begging to join us, won't be worthy!"

Yu Zhongtian could no longer hold back, and now began to show his power.

Yu Qifeng watched as he extended goodwill time and again, only to be treated with mockery and derision, which left him displeased, looking on coldly.

He also implicitly approved his son's attitude.

Both parties had torn off their masks!

"Well said! Giving you rabble the chance to cooperate with my Qifeng Group is a favor! Spurning the goodwill, don't blame us for being rude!" Song Zhe grinned maliciously, "You've only seen the news these past two days, but in a couple of days, I will turn you into the news!"

After Song Zhe finished talking, Song Yao spoke.

"We aren't afraid to be upfront with you; you've realized our actions too late! Any effort you make is futile! Just wait and watch your companies crumble!" Song Yao said delightedly.

Bai Xiaosheng smiled without saying a word.

Lin Ke sipped his tea while watching them with an idiot's gaze.

The expressions of the Han father and son, Lin Weiwei, and Lei Ying remained unchanged.

These people's expressions made Yu Qifeng sense something was wrong.

He couldn't help but frown.

Initially he hadn't taken it seriously; now it seemed that these people had been acting strangely from the start!

But his side was too excited from the beginning and had overlooked this!

Others might not notice, but Han Dong would surely be aware of the dire situation.

But the old guy could still eat and drink.

Something didn't quite add up!

"Business is ruthless, a king in victory, a wretch in defeat!" Bai Xiaosheng leisurely laughed, "Truly makes sense!"

"But there's another phrase everyone should also be clear about—"

"Business is unpredictable!"

As he spoke, Bai Xiaosheng's momentum exploded, spreading an invisible aura.

Yu Qifeng's eyes narrowed, and Song Zhe couldn't help but widen his, instinctively sitting up a bit straighter.

Those who had weathered many storms were even more acutely aware of Bai Xiaosheng's extraordinary moment.

Yu Qifeng was about to speak when suddenly there was a commotion at the door.

"Mr. Wei, Director Yu is meeting important guests right now. You cannot enter!"

"I know! Move aside, I have urgent matters! I can't delay!"

Someone forced their way through.

Shortly after, Wei Dashan's voice and then his figure appeared, practically running in, "Chairman!"

Seeing his frantic expression, Yu Qifeng was astonished, "What happened that could make Wei Dashan react like this!"

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"Let him in!"

Yu Qifeng couldn't care that Bai Xiaosheng and others were present, he shouted loudly for the doorkeepers not to stop Wei Dashan anymore.

"President Yu, Mr. Song!" As soon as Wei Dashan spotted Yu Qifeng and Song Zhe, he ran over directly.

In the process, he almost slipped and fell.

This senior executive was in an unprecedentedly embarrassing state, especially in front of outsiders.

Initially, Song Zhe frowned, ready to scold him, but seeing Wei Dashan approaching with a pale face and disheveled eyes, he too tensed up.

Song Zhe was no fool—he knew if a corporate executive became like this in front of his boss, so out of sorts, it could only mean—something big had happened!

Bai Xiaosheng glanced at Wei Dashan and gave a slight smile.

Finally, it had come!

Not just him—Han Dong, Han Chengren, Lin Ke, Lin Weiwei, Lei Ying, everyone's eyes slightly lit up.

This reaction, when noticed by Yu Qifeng, made him involuntarily shrink his pupils.

In Yu Qifeng's heart, a strange, inexplicable feeling suddenly arose—

These people had come, come, just to wait for this moment!

Although it was somewhat inconceivable, Yu Qifeng nonetheless had this feeling.

Wei Dashan had already reached Yu Qifeng's side and eventually noticed that Bai Xiaosheng and the other outsiders were also present.

However, he could not care less, hurrying to bend down and report into Yu Qifeng's ear.

Song Zhe saw Yu Qifeng's color change with shock, as if something significant had occurred.

"What happened, just say it already, don't whisper!"

Song Zhe couldn't help but shout, anxious as well.

After all, as the largest shareholder of the Qifeng Group, if it was a business problem, it was his money that would be hurt.

Yu Zhongtian and Song Yao, seeing Wei Dashan's reaction, exchanged a somewhat panicked look, also wanting to know what exactly had happened!

Wei Dashan hesitated, pushed by the major shareholder's questioning. He had to speak.

But then, looking at Bai Xiaosheng and the others, he felt that it wasn't appropriate to discuss it publicly.

"It doesn't matter, there are no outsiders here!"

Bai Xiaosheng said with a smile, glancing sharply at Yu Qifeng.

The words he said, they clearly are outsiders ... Wei Dashan thought to himself.

"Speak up, for them, there's no need to hide!" Yu Qifeng's gaze was cold and sharp as he looked at Bai Xiaosheng, then at Han Dong.

Since the chairman had spoken, Wei Dashan didn't dare delay and immediately laid out the situation.

The large plant he was responsible for, newly controlled, was now being choked by several enterprises "several pair of hands," pressing on its soft underbelly.

Like a strong man, subdued on the ground like a dead dog.

Forget about demonstrating its potential like before, it couldn't even move a bit.

Song Zhe was stunned.

Yu Zhongtian was speechless, Song Yao was flabbergasted, both utterly incredulous.

"I entered Yunhai, creating numerous diversions, mixing the false with the true, all to covertly gain an advantage."

"Once this large factory exerted its force, at least thirty percent of the enterprises in the Yunhai Enterprise Federation would be damaged, and another ten percent would be hampered!"

Yu Qifeng's face was grim and fierce, his gaze savage as it roamed over the faces of Bai Xiaosheng and Han Dong, grinding his teeth as he said.

"I had thought my strategies were flawless, and I believed they would instantly disrupt all of your resistance!"

Yu Qifeng clenched his fists, "But I never expected, you all, hid even deeper!"

"This coordination! Even I must admit I am 'impressed'!"

Yu Qifeng stared at Han Dong, "Old Mr. Han, you are truly a predecessor in the business world! I am truly impressed!"

Making Yu Qifeng say such words, in recent years, was extremely rare in the business world.

"You flatter me, Chairman Yu." Han Dong chuckled, "But the old man doesn't have the capacity to shock you, these strategies were all Mr. Bai's doing!"

Han Dong looked towards Bai Xiaosheng.

Han Chengren also looked towards Bai Xiaosheng.

Lin Ke, Lin Weiwei, Lei Ying also looked towards Bai Xiaosheng, everyone's gaze filled with respect and admiration.

Yu Qifeng's eyes widened incredulously as he stared at the young man sitting across from him.

Was it him?

Could it really be him?!

He was merely the age of his own son, and without time spent in education, how many years could he have possibly spent in the workplace!

Yet, he had managed to devise such a scheme that dealt a heavy blow to his side!

"Chairman Yu, do you find this opponent of mine satisfactory?" Bai Xiaosheng said with a smile.

He was neither hasty nor arrogant, nor did he show any satisfaction.

Such an effortless demonstration of strength!

Seeing Bai Xiaosheng in such a state made Yu Qifeng feel even more intimidated than when he heard that he was the mastermind.

"You... how is this possible!" Yu Zhongtian exclaimed.

He couldn't believe that this youngster was the one who instantaneously turned their crucial arrangement into a deadlock!

That would mean his capabilities were as different from his own as heaven is from earth!

Not only did he not believe it, but Song Zhe and his daughter Song Yao also widened their eyes in disbelief at Bai Xiaosheng.

Wei Dashan was just as shocked.

In a blink of an eye, the one who had trapped them in a deadlock was this young man!

So young, yet so cunning!

"He, he, he..." Wei Dashan wanted to say, "Is he even human?"

But the words got stuck in his throat and he couldn't utter them.

"Very good, you managed to draw with me in no time! And all you relied on was the Yunhai Enterprise Federation! Not bad," Yu Qifeng nodded gravely, "You, well done!"

"Chairman Yu, do you know?" Bai Xiaosheng said leisurely, "Your investment in Yunhai, that electronics component factory, accounts for sixty percent. And I, using forty percent of businesses in the Yunhai Enterprise Federation, have secured it, so..."

"The other sixty percent of businesses, do you think I would let them sit idly by?" Bai Xiaosheng said with a smile.

Upon hearing this, Yu Qifeng's expression changed dramatically.

And then, a commotion came from the entrance.

"Is Chairman Yu here? I need to see him, it's urgent!"

"Hurry, me too!"

"Don't block the way, we need to get in! Can you afford the consequences if something goes wrong!"

From the sound of it, there wasn't just one person outside!

Song Zhe, Yu Zhongtian, and Song Yao looked towards the outside with palpitations.

Wei Dashan was also stunned, his face showing an incredulous expression.

"Let them in!" Yu Qifeng issued a piercing cry.

Following that command, four panting individuals, all senior executives from Qifeng Group involved in the Yunhai arrangement, burst through the door.

Seeing Wei Dashan, and Wei Dashan seeing them, both parties were startled and both wore bitter smiles.

They both understood...

"What problems have you encountered, speak!" Yu Qifeng glared fiercely at Bai Xiaosheng.

As one high-level report followed another,

Song Zhe let out shout after shout of astonishment.

"How is this possible!"

"How could this happen!"

"You bunch of waste!"

Yu Zhongtian and Song Yao were completely dumbfounded.

All their investments in Yunhai had been completely blocked off there.

Death was just a matter of time!

The countermeasures were so thorough, so clever, it wasn't a reactive move upon knowing their actions, but a trap set from the beginning, waiting for them!

Bai Xiaosheng, looking very seriously at Yu Qifeng and the others, said, "I told you not to let Qifeng Group step into Yunhai, if you step in, I'll make sure you won't return!"

"Too bad, you wouldn't listen!"