Yang Ming felt his legs were trembling.

Jiang Ning wanted global data!

They could release the information on the local brands, but global data was tightly controlled by the big international brands, since there was no local product that had been able to enter the international market.

Those things were not something that Yang Ming could give away easily, but he didn't dare to offend Jiang Ning either.

"Mr Jiang..." Yang Ming swallowed.

"Do you have other data to offer me?"



Jiang Ning turned to look at him.

"No...no..."

"Or are you facing some difficulty? If this is too difficult for you, then it's alright. I don't like to put others in a spot."

Jiang Ning reached out and pushed the thumb drive back towards Yang Ming.

"No! No difficulty at all! I'll go back and prepare the data for you."

Yang Ming didn't dare to say that he had any difficulties. He quickly ran out and called Kang Li. He dared not make a decision on such a big



matter.

Lin Yuzhen was dumbfounded as she sat where she was.

She only wanted the data for the northern market because she was preparing to go into that market. But Jiang Ning...actually already considered all the markets overseas already?!

Lin Group wasn't firmly rooted in the country yet and he wanted to look at international markets already?

He really looked very far ahead.

"Jiang Ning. You really think that Lin Group will become a multinational



company, don't you?" said Lin Yuzhen in all seriousness.

"No," Jiang Ning wagged one finger.
"Lin Group will become a company that spans the entire universe. The northern market and even the local market is too small, and I don't care for it."

There was nothing Lin Yuzhen could say. She could only admire him.

The Gao siblings were equally speechless and could only fall at Jiang Ning's feet.

Meanwhile.

Yang Ming had rushed back to the

lab as quickly as could, but Kang Li was already there.

The two of them looked like the apocalypse was upon on them. They were both terrified and uneasy.

"Where's the data he wants?" asked Kang Li anxiously.

Kang Feng called her again earlier. If she didn't settle this matter properly this time, the Kang family was really doomed!

Yang Ming had already called his staff on his way back to get the data ready. He took the thumb drive out and said, "Everything is here!"

"But Miss Kang, a lot of the data here includes the data for big international brands, including Ceyranka. If we give everything to Lin Group..."

Yang Ming felt that Kang Li was going to follow in Chen Gong's footsteps and be kicked out of the company.

Kang Li scoffed and couldn't be bothered with that sort of thing. She grabbed the thumb drive from Yang Ming and she looked like she was in a daze.

Kicked out of the company?

It would be good enough to just stay alive!



Kang Li walked to the entrance of the building and saw that Jiang Ning hadn't arrived yet. But she knew that she must not show any issues with her attitude anymore, otherwise...

Thud.

She suddenly fell to her knees and faced the main entrance. Her expression was filled with respect. "This is how repentant I am!"

Yang Ming got a shock when she suddenly knelt down.

That was Kang Li!

She was from the Kang family, a powerful family of the north!



Kang Li was the only daughter of the Kang family, so she was going to inherit the family and become the next head of the family. But now she was actually kneeling here to welcome Jiang Ning.

She wanted to show how sorry she was?

Yang Ming nearly stopped breathing. His legs felt weak and he didn't know if he should kneel too.

"Miss Kang...you're representing Ceyranka...if you kneel like this," Yang Ming's voice was trembling. "Ceyranka will not let you off either."

This wasn't just damaging the



reputation of a big international brand like Ceyranka. This was as good as throwing Ceyranka onto the floor and stepping all over them!

Kang Li didn't say anything. That was still better than dying.

That was also better than for the entire Kang family to disappear overnight.

She continued to kneel there patiently until Jiang Ning came. She wanted Jiang Ning to see how repentant she was.

Time ticked by slowly. Yang Ming stood at the entrance and waited anxiously while Kang Li knelt there

without moving at all. She looked like a statue at one glance.

A car started driving towards them from afar.

Yang Ming's eyes instantly lit up. That was Jiang Ning's car!



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Yang Ming remembered the car license plate clearly.

Yang Ming immediately ran over the moment the car came to a stop. He was afraid that Jiang Ning would get angry if he moved too slowly.

He didn't know who Jiang Ning was, but he was very sure that Jiang Ning wasn't really Lin Yuzhen's driver.

"Mr Jiang!" Yang Ming laughed awkwardly. The smile on his face was cramping from trying too hard to butter up to Jiang Ning, but he didn't dare to relax at all.

"I've come to take the things you promised me. Have you gotten

everything ready?" asked Jiang Ning calmly.

"Everything is ready! Please come this way."

Yang Ming bowed slightly and led Jiang Ning into the main lobby of the research lab.

Jiang Ning suddenly stopped at the entrance. He glanced at Kang Li and nodded. He looked like he was pleased with her.

Kang Li breathed a sigh of relief in her heart.

"The security dog your research lab has is a poodle, right?"

Jiang Ning only said that and didn't say anything as he went upstairs. Yang Ming didn't dare to respond and quickly went up with him.

Kang Li knelt there with her face all red. She was so insulted that she wished she could find a hole to bury herself in right now!

She had always packaged herself as a wealthy woman, a daughter of an upper class family, and certainly not a poodle!

But if Jiang Ning called her one, then she was one!

Jiang Ning didn't bother being formal and didn't waste any time. He took



what he wanted and left without looking at Kang Li again. Yang Ming politely saw him out.

After Jiang Ning left, Yang Ming felt like his body was drained of its energy and he could barely stand.

He had never gone through anything as frightening as this, even though Jiang Ning seemed to be an ordinary man.

He couldn't look anymore ordinary than this.

Yang Ming glanced at Kang Li. She was still kneeling at the entrance. He shook his head and sighed, "He's gone, Miss Kang, you can get up

now."

He then turned and left.

Kang Li opened her mouth. Her lips were trembling and she felt like crying. "My...my legs are numb....help, help me up!"

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After getting the data, Jiang Ning and Lin Yuzhen didn't stay on in Shenghai anymore.

They had to return to Donghai as soon as possible so that their R&D team could continue with developing a new product. With this data in hand, everything would go smoothly.



Gao Bin and his sister sent them to the airport. Jiang Ning and Lin Yuzhen took the earliest flight back to Donghai.

Lin Yuzhen didn't stop for a single moment. Once they got off the plane, she went straight to the research lab and passed everything to the key researcher of Lin Group. She told them to try to create a new product in the shortest time possible and send it through rigorous testing.

As for the global data that they now had, that was going to be leverage for Lin Group's future expansion!

Lin Yuzhen was going to take some time to look through the data

carefully!

Lin Group had already started their research on a new product long ago. Lin Yuzhen wanted to conquer the north for a long time now, so she had made a lot of preparations.

Now that they had so much data to help them, the new product would have no problems selling well. It was going to be a product that was specially designed for the northern market and was going to be a powerful weapon that could help Lin Group to open the gates to the northern market!

After Lin Yuzhen left the research center, she went straight to Lin

Group's headquarters to hold a huge meeting to confirm more details.

Jiang Ning felt that this little wife of his was going to become a workaholic soon.

But no matter what she became, he still liked her.

Lin Group didn't hide any of their actions from others, so those who had their eye on Lin Group saw everything they were doing.

In the north.

Linglong Group was a huge conglomerate, so just the purchasing department alone was split into more

than ten teams and procured raw materials for a variety of industries.

After all, Linglong Group was like a luxury battleship.

They had a foot in more than ten different industries, and they were the leaders in every industry they were in. They were strong and powerful everywhere they went.

The department in charge of procuring raw materials for medicinal and skincare products was in direct competition with Lin Group's main operations.

The director of this particular purchasing department, Liu Hong,

was seated on the sofa in his office. His large hands were all over the body of his curvaceous female secretary and didn't seem to care that there were a few others seated in the same office.

All of them seemed to be quite used to this scene in front of them.

"Director Liu, we've done what you've asked us to do. We bought up all the raw materials that Lin Group needs at a low price already, so what should we do next?"



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Liu Hong was rather handsome and stood at nearly 6'4. He was good looking and a famous talent in the business. He certainly had to be capable enough to become one of the few directors of the purchasing department of Linglong Group.

He didn't even look up and was buried in the front of his secretary as he used both hands to strangle her neck. He groaned a little as he said, "Give everything to Cheng Feng, he'll take care of it."

"Director Liu, when you say I'll take care of it, you want me to make sure it doesn't go to Lin Group? Or you want me to sell it at an exorbitant price and make Lin Group suffer a



huge loss?"

Cheng Feng, a boss in Tianbei's illegal circle, sat in the office as well. He frowned slightly and wasn't sure what Liu Hong wanted to do.

"No, give everything to Lin Group. You can even sell it to them cheaper than the market rate."

Liu Hong's breathing was getting heavier and heavier, and the men in the same office didn't really dare to look at him anymore.

"But..."

"No buts, just...ohhh...just do it according to my instructions."



"Got it!"

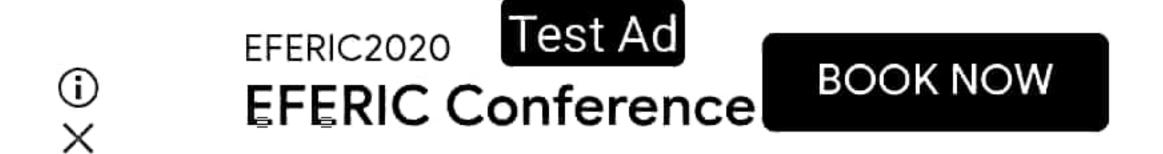
None of them dared to ask anymore or stay in the office any longer. They immediately got up and left Liu Hong's office.

They knew very well that an avalanche was going to happen soon. A really huge one too!

Shortly after the office door was shut, the avalanche happened.

It took a long while before the office was quiet again.

The shirt on Liu Hong had already been pulled off to reveal his well toned back. There was an eye



catching tattoo of a red cloud below his right shoulder.

The female secretary below him had already fainted. She was unconscious and her face was extremely pale.

"Babe, do you like the feeling of being on the brink of death, the feeling of... falling from the clouds?" There was a playful sparkle in Liu Hong's eyes. "I'm sure that Lin Yuzhen would love it!"

He looked down and rolled his eyes at his secretary who was barely breathing. He suddenly punched her hard in the stomach.

"AHH!"

The female secretary screamed and took in a deep breath. Her face immediately reddened from the intake of air.

That feeling of being choked to the brink of suffocation, then suddenly getting a breath of fresh air and feeling alive again...it was so exciting!

She loved this sort of game and she had played it many times now.

But she didn't know that someone before her had become addicted to this same game. Just that the last time she played it, she never woke up

again.

"Director Liu, you're really amazing!"

It was too exciting!

Liu Hong glanced at her, then picked up the shirt on the sofa and wore it. The secretary reached a hand out to gently caress the red cloud tattoo and her eyes were shining.

"Director Liu, this red cloud is so pretty."

Liu Hong immediately turned and narrowed his eyes. A murderous look flashed across his face.

"This is not something you can

touch." His voice was filled with such iciness that the secretary quickly took her hand back.

It was just a tattoo. She had one too.

Liu Hong scoffed and didn't say anything. He put his clothes back on properly and sent the secretary out.

He sat on his office chair and spun himself around. He lit a cigarette and had a meaningful look in his eyes.

"Lin Group, hoho, you're just a tool for various powers here to attempt to reap benefits from Linglong Group," he laughed coldly. "Long Ling'er probably wanted this to happen too."

Linglong Group was not a company that belonged to Long Ling'er alone, and was definitely not the Long family's asset either.

It was impossible for one woman to build a conglomerate that could be the leader of more than ten industries all by herself.

All the various major powers had secretly contributed to the company for the sake of their own benefit and gain. Long Ling'er was just the lucky one to be right at the top.

There were so many powers involved in Linglong Group. Nearly every powerful family in the north had someone in this corporation.



This was just a place for them to get more money.

As the size of the company grew along with its complexities, Long Ling'er could also sense that it was becoming too difficult to truly regain control of Linglong Group.

She might also be trying to use Lin Group and Donghai to change this situation.

But she had overestimated herself and overestimated Lin Group and Donghai. At the same time, she had underestimated the greed of the powerful families of the north.

Liu Hong smoked his cigarette and

his eyes were a little out of focus as he stretched a hand out to touch the red cloud tattoo on his back.

"This is my glory and honor..."

He suddenly burst out laughing, and his laughter was fairly sinister.





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Tianbei was the first gantry into the north that Lin Group had taken over.

Li Dong was now based in this city. Number 5 and a few others stayed by his side to help him to settle some matters.

In just a few days, Li Dong had pulled Tianbei's market together and paved the way for Lin Group to advance. Nobody in the illegal circle dared to offend him at all.

The number of people they had lost in that last storm were so many they couldn't be counted!

Even those highly skilled fighters sent by the powerful families all



perished. Only one managed to get away but he had gone completely insane, as if he had witnessed something really terrifying.

Li Dong was looking for materials to produce Lin Group's new product.

Most of the raw materials that were suitable for the northern market were all found in the north. There were some important materials that were only found in the north.

That was the mission that Lin Yuzhen gave him.

He didn't expect someone to come knocking on his door just after he sent word out about this.



Cheng Feng seemed rather polite and filled with sincerity.

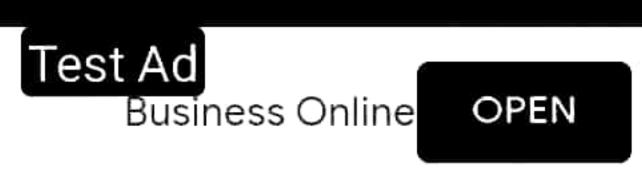
"Mr Li, these lalang roots are special to our region. Everyone usually just boils them in water as a drink, and they are much more effective than the herbs in the south!" said Cheng Feng with a fairly honest looking smile.

Li Dong nodded.

He knew the effects of these lalang roots. They weren't expensive, but were incredibly effective.

This was a raw material that the new Lin Group product could not do without.





But since this Cheng Feng was offering him his entire stash at a price below the market rate, Li Dong became more cautious.

"I'm sure Lin Group is not the only ones who need these herbs, right?" Li Dong reached a hand into a few random bags to make sure that there was no problem with these supplies. "I'm not sure why you're willing to sell it to us at such a low price? The profit margin is very low."

"When it comes to doing business, especially long term business, we have to spend money first in order to earn more later," Cheng Feng sighed. "Our ancestors taught us this principle many years ago, didn't

they?"

"Nobody can stop Lin Group from advancing into the north, I can see that. If I don't take this chance to join your team, then when?"

He looked sincere and honest, it was as if he had held nothing back.

"Your words make sense," Li Dong smiled back.

"Mr Li, don't worry, there's no problem with these goods at all. We can state clearly on the contract that if there's a problem you don't have to send the goods back and I'll return your money!" said Cheng Feng with great sincerity as he patted his chest.

"I really have to thank you, Mr Cheng. You're Lin Group's first friend in Tianbei," Li Dong reached a hand out to shake Cheng Feng's.

The two men had smiles on their faces. Cheng Feng couldn't tell if Li Dong's smile was real or not, and Li Dong couldn't tell if Cheng Feng's was genuine or not either.

After he got a huge batch of lalang roots, Li Dong got people to inspect the goods. Once they confirmed that there were no problems, he arranged for everything to be shipped to Donghai.

On the other side.



Cheng Feng had opened a bottle of wine he had kept away for many years. He was ready to celebrate.

There was none of that sincerity and authenticity he had earlier. He only had a gleeful excitement because his plan had worked.

"Boss, Director Liu is really clever to do this!" his subordinate started buttering up to him. "It was right of him to pass this job to you! You call the shots in Tianbei, and Lin Group obviously knows this."

Cheng Feng swirled his glass and took a small sip.

"I'm nothing compared to Director

Liu," he scoffed. "Did you think an ordinary person could become a director in the purchasing department of Linglong Group?"

"The waters of Linglong Group run very deep."

"Of course, of course," his subordinate quickly smiled. "But now that Lin Group has the materials they need and a formula on hand, then they can mass produce their product. Isn't that the same as Director Liu giving his enemy bullets?"

He didn't understand this at all.

"You don't know shit!" Cheng Feng scoffed and looked mysterious now.

"Tell me, where is Lin Group selling their new product to?"

"The north."

"Lin Group has already said that they're entering the northern market, right? So once the product is ready, are they going to advertise it?"

"Of course!"

"So are they going to make massive quantities of their product?"

"Of course, that only makes business sense."

"But if their new product attracts the attention of consumers and the



consumers are all waiting with great anticipation only for them to be unable to enter the northern market, do you think they will be able to quell the anger of the consumers?"

Cheng Feng narrowed his eyes as if he was already looking forward to watching Lin Group get scolded and cursed at, lose their credibility, and watch all their product go to waste.

They were going to die horribly!



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In order to really enter the northern market, there were five gantry points.

Tianbei was only the first one. Lin Group had taken this one down, and Li Dong had become famous here in a short period of time.

He made Lin Group's name suddenly rise in power.

Their strong stance made some people in the industry say that Lin Group's power was unstoppable.

But all the truly powerful families of the north, and especially those who knew much about the north, all knew that Tianbei was the easiest gantry to take over.

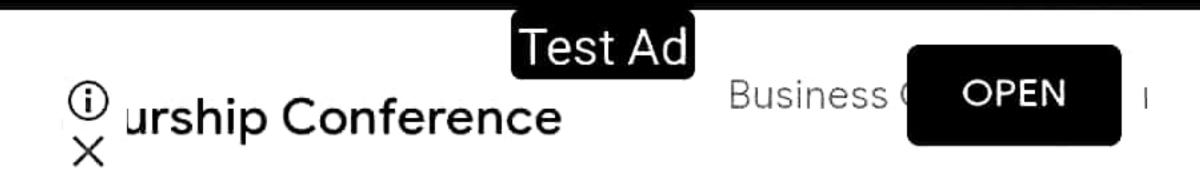


After all, the ones who controlled this city were a bunch of third tier families. So there was no way they could hold up against the up and coming Lin Group.

Out of the five, there were three that weren't worth mentioning. But the last two were backed by extremely strong powers in both the legal and the illegal circle.

If they didn't want to let Lin Group in, then there was no way Lin Group could get in.

On top of that, the backers of these two gantries had a fairly large share in the profits of Linglong Group. So there was no way they were willing to



watch someone else take any bit of the benefits they enjoyed.

Lin Group's plan to enter the north was destined to fail.

They weren't only going to fail, but they were also going to bear the bad repute of being an untrustworthy company. They would fail to enter the north and might even lose their existing market in the south.

But nobody in Lin Group knew about this. In fact, they felt that they were about to win this war and were very happy about it.

When Cheng Feng thought about how Lin Group's expression as their



anticipation became hope, hope became disappointment and the disappointment finally became despair.

He couldn't wait.

Liu Hong's idea of making his enemies wild with joy before being utterly destroyed was an amazing move.

"Wait and watch how badly Lin Group is going to suffer! Once they've been completely destroyed, it'll be our turn to reap the harvest!"

Cheng Feng started laughing loudly.

He had followed Liu Hong for many

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years and this wasn't the first time he was pulling such a stunt. It excited him no matter how many times he did it.

What was this about Donghai being some forbidden territory?

This was the north!

This place was truly a forbidden territory!

And just as how Liu Hong had predicted, Lin Group started an aggressive promotional campaign.

There were advertisements for Lin Group's upcoming product on TV, on the internet and all over the streets.

Even the most popular singer right now, Ye Qingwu, had released a new song, and the music video was filmed based on the concept of Lin Group's new product. It had caused a big frenzy among her fans.

Lin Group made a bestseller in the southeast region as well as in Shenghai. So there were many who were looking forward to what they were going to sell in the north.

Only those who truly understood the north, like Liu Hong, knew well that this was probably Lin Group's last moment of glory before they died.

"We're not greedy people, and we can just take the benefits that Tianbei

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can offer. Cheng Feng gets 30%, the rest of you can share 20%, the last 50% is mine."

Liu Hong had already thought of how to split the loot. He always worked like that.

He would make sure to set up a game that he would win, and the moment he won, he would quickly collect the spoils. If there were too many greedy people involved, then the amount he would get would reduce by a lot.

Almost everyone in Linglong Group was a greedy person.

They all raised their glasses and

clinked them together.

"Director Liu, you're really amazing! Amazing!"

"Director Liu, I wonder if there are others attacking them as well. If they try to fight with us, that'll be bad for us."

"There are many people in Linglong Group watching Lin Group."

Cheng Feng and the rest were still a little worried.

Even though Liu Hong was backed by a first tier family, there were many others within Linglong Group who were from supremely powerful



families, and Liu Hong couldn't fight against them.

"Don't worry, they don't care for a small place like Tianbei. But that's why I said that we shouldn't be greedy. We should eat according to how much we can eat. If you eat too much, you'd choke to death," said Liu Hong with a smile. "When our appetites get bigger, then we can eat more, right?"

All of them immediately burst out laughing loudly.



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Meanwhile.

Lin Group's promotions for the new product covered every inch of the north.

They didn't hold back at all.

Lin Yuzhen was extremely confident of this new product. This product had reached Band 1 of Lin Group's standard, and she was sure it would cause a storm in the north.

"It protects the skin and even repairs the skin, and after being absorbed into the skin, it improves your complexion. More importantly, it's classified as a Band 1 product and can be compared or even surpass

those products from the big brands. But the price advantage we have is much higher than them!"

Ye Qingwu was amazed at how the R&D team at Lin Group was able to come up with such a good product in such a short time. "The moment this product is released into the market, it's definitely going to be a bestseller!"

She turned and her eyes were sparkling brightly. "Yuzhen, how do you guys do this?"

She really couldn't believe it.

This was a product made by a company that was barely a year old.



"That's because we have many talents! We have talents in every department, and they're the best of the best!" replied Lin Yuzhen with a smug smile.

On top of that, all these talents really treated Lin Group as their family, and treated the company like it was their own business.

This explosive amount of energy was indeed shocking.

Lin Yuzhen hugged Jiang Ning. "And we have THIS talent right here! With him around, there's nothing we can't overcome."

Ye Qingwu didn't say anymore.



She had never seen anyone so smug. Lin Yuzhen used to be so shy and was too embarrassed to call Jiang Ning 'hubby' in public. But now she hardly used his name and called him 'hubby' even in the office.

She really pitied the staff who worked closely with them like Xiaozhao. They had to work so much overtime in the office, and had to be subject to these two being all lovey dovey all the time.

Poor things.

Lin Group could enter the north, cause a storm and even rise up to fight Linglong Group. This all started to look possible.

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Some who previously didn't think much of Lin Group started to change their stand and began supporting Lin Group.

More and more suppliers came forward to contact Lin Group, and Lin Group's production was at its maximum.

Lin Yuzhen could sense that something wasn't quite right. She felt like there was someone secretly pushing them along so that Lin Group's popularity kept rising and was going to reach the clouds soon.

But Jiang Ning told her not to worry about anything, so Lin Yuzhen wasn't worried anymore.



Lin Yuzhen continued to steer Lin Group according to plan.

Jiang Ning sat under an umbrella at the training facility in the countryside. He finished a pot of tea and looked up at the wolves who had just completed the third stage of training. The air around these men were completely different now.

The look in their eyes was enough to frighten everyone.

After going through so much and training so hard since the first stage of training, everyone had passed the third stage.

Their increase in ability was more



than shocking now.

There was a complete change in them from the inside, and they didn't know how to describe it either.

"I tell you, it feels very good to stand at the top of the world," said Jiang Ning calmly as he looked at all of them. "Wanna have a taste of that?"

"YES!" all the wolves responded in unison.

The third stage was completely different from the previous two.

The first two courses that Jiang Ning designed were to set their foundation and use the shortest amount of time



to bring out the potential in the wolves.

This third stage was arming the wolves and turning them into killing machines.

None of the moves were complex, but each one was fatal.

There were only a few movements involved. One swing of the fist would kill a person off. It was the art of violence in itself.

Jiang Ning had come to a conclusion after more than ten years of battles that these were the most effective methods.



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Now the wolves were warriors and were the most powerful force he had to protect Donghai.

Jiang Ning looked at them and nodded.

He knew that the wolves weren't gifted in this area, but their attitude, hard work and diligence was their best talent.

No gift in this world could beat having perseverance.

"Alright!" Jiang Ning shouted. "I will lead all of you to kill to the top of the world. Starting from now!"



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Donghai had made its move.

Brother Gou and the rest secretly made their way towards Tianbei to meet with Number 5 and his men.

On the other side, Lin Group had also started taking action.

Lin Group had put in a lot of effort into their promotional campaign, and there were many people who were secretly helping it along.

Of course, Lin Yuzhen could see it and she knew that this was done by her rivals. In fact, there were many rivals involved. Some of them were obvious and some of them were hidden from sight.



But none of this was important.

Since Lin Group wanted to expand, it would definitely run into obstacles. If they didn't get over these obstacles, then how were they to grow?

The new product had gone through rigorous internal testing and Lin Group had received a huge amount of orders. So the factory was now working at its peak to produce as much as possible.

"Update the total amount of production everyday," Lin Yuzhen gave orders. "Let the consumers know, and let those people who want to know, how much product Lin Group has prepared."



She seemed very calm.

In front of Jiang Ning, she was a shy little girl. But at work, she was now a confident corporate goddess!

Lin Group was able to be transparent about their production process and even went live online. Everyone could see how clean their factory was and how well trained and diligent their workers were. It made them even more excited for the new product.

This was sending out a signal that Lin Group was determined to get into the north!

The news reached the north.

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In the office of the highest floor of Linglong Group.

Long Ling'er had been standing in front of the giant window wall for an hour now.

She was like a statue and didn't move. Nobody dared to come in to disturb her either.

She didn't have an energetic look on her face, neither did she have her usual aloof and arrogant expression. She only had tiredness on her face.

Lin Group had not only held up against her attacks, but they were now ready to fight back.

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"Lin Yuzhen, are you doing all this to tell me that you're coming?" Long Ling'er's fierce eyebrows furrowed a little. "Don't disappoint me."

Of course she knew that Lin Yuzhen wasn't the only one coming. There was also Jiang Ning.

She might have been able to stop Lin Yuzhen, but nobody could stop Jiang Ning because he was Jiang Ning!

Long Ling'er took a deep breath and exhaled slowly to help herself calm down.

She was really jealous of Lin Yuzhen.

She got more and more jealous of

her.

She didn't see why Jiang Ning liked her so much. He was even willing to be enemies with everyone else for her sake.

When they were children, Jiang Ning had protected her like this too. But that lucky girl had become Lin Yuzhen, and Long Ling'er felt indignant about it.

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Long Ling'er snapped back to reality when her phone started ringing.

"Speak," Long Ling'er became cold again when she picked the phone up.

Her voice was icy and unfeeling.

"The Zhou family and Wu family have sent word out that they will block and kill off Lin Group at the last two gantries and make sure they go bankrupt."

The other party also carried an icy voice and hung up immediately after saying those words.

"Has it begun?"

Long Ling'er's gaze slowly became sharp, as if they were knives.

The Zhou family and Wu family were both first tier families and had control over the two most important

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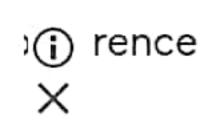
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gantries of the north. If Lin Group wanted to enter the northern market, they had to get through these gantries.

The other three weren't so powerful and were easier to get through. But the two that were in the control of the Zhou family and the Wu family weren't so easy to pass through.

And especially now that Lin Group was a rival to Linglong Group.

Both the Zhou family and Wu family had a lot of family members in Linglong Group. They had placed them there both to profit themselves as well as to bring the family up to the next level. They treated Linglong





Group as a tool for themselves, but who didn't?

Long Ling'er looked even more tired and helpless when she thought about this.

She was already too tired to truly steer this huge ship. She didn't intend to make a U-turn, but just changing direction slightly was extremely difficult.

That was because the number of people and amount of benefits involved was way too much. Linglong Group was now a very complex and messy place. It was no longer the present that Long Ling'er wanted to prepare for Jiang Ning anymore.



It was now a tool that the powerful families used to exchange for more money and resources for themselves.

She was suddenly overwhelmed by fatigue.

Long Ling'er let out a sigh. "If you were by my side, then I wouldn't have to fear anything."

"I must get you back."

Sometimes she didn't know why she wanted to get Jiang Ning back by her side. She didn't know if it was because of him as a person, or because of something else.



Meanwhile.

The five gantries into the north were the cities of Tianbei, Tong'an, Jiebei, Linshan and Bei'an. These five gantries were cities where all land, air and sea trading routes had to pass through.

Any companies from outside the north had to go through these places in order to enter the northern market.

All their supplies and goods had to go though these five gantries and be inspected and approved.

Otherwise their goods might not even reach the north itself, never mind be sold in the north.

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Chapter 709 Get Him Back

Li Dong was making his last preparations in Tianbei.

He knew that the corporate world was like a battlefield. The north was a special battlefield, and the more he understood about it, the more frightening it was.



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"Tong'an is quite alright, we should be able to take it down with our ability. We should have no problems in both the legal and illegal circle. But Jiebei is a bit troublesome," Li Dong had a stern expression on his face as he pointed at the map. "The legal circle is very strict, and...extremely greedy!"

He didn't dare to think about the last two gantries, Linshan and Bei'an, for the moment. Just Jiebei was already quite a headache.

"Why?" Number 5 asked with a frown.

If it was the illegal circle giving Li Dong trouble, Number 5 would help

him to settle it immediately. But they didn't dare to do anything about the legal circle. Without any orders from Jiang Ning, they had to respect the rules of other circles.

"They want 70%!" said Li Dong angrily through clenched teeth. "They said that as long as Lin Group products go through them, we have to give them 70% of our profits!"

"Bloody bastards!" Number 5 cursed when he heard this.

70%!

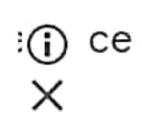
They hadn't done anything and Lin Group covered the cost of production. All they did was to let the

goods through and they wanted 70% of the profits?

"Did you think the sentiment about investments avoiding Jiebei was just a joke?" Li Dong shook his head and sighed. "Without a huge amount of power and a strong standing in the legal circle, this gantry will be very difficult to overcome. The last two, Linshan and Bei'an, are fiercely controlled by both the legal and illegal circle."

He felt a strong sense of helplessness for the first time.

Jiang Ning had already given him a lot of help and even let Number 5 and his men help him along the way. Who





else in Lin Group was given such special treatment?

But he couldn't take this gantry down, and he had disappointed the trust that Jiang Ning had in him.

Lin Group was producing massive amounts of their new product and they were due to ship out of Donghai towards the north very soon. But now the gantries were not open to them, and they were going to be stuck at a key stage of entering the north.

"It's not your fault, this is beyond what you can do." Number 5 could tell what Li Dong was thinking about and consoled him, "Big Boss won't blame you."



"Brother Ning is a nice man and treats everyone well. He may not blame me, but I can't forgive myself." Li Dong took a deep breath. "I'll try again. I've already made an appointment with someone in charge and I'll see if there's a chance later."

Number 5 nodded. After remaining with Li Dong during this time, he knew that Li Dong was one who went all out.

But Number 5 had also followed Jiang Ning for some time now. He had seen a lot and knew that there were some people and some matters that couldn't be settled just because you followed all the rules.



Especially at a time when Lin Group was Linglong Group's rival. What sort of existence was Linglong Group to the north?

They were the biggest corporation in the north!

The powers and profits that this corporation contained were a big mess, and perhaps even the boss of the group couldn't say for sure what sort of company this was.

This huge conglomeration had all sorts of people hiding inside. They all had their own ulterior motives and were fighting to protect their own interests, so it wasn't going to be so easy to deal with them.



Even Long Ling'er was probably having a headache over this.

"I'll go with you," said Number 5.
"Just to check things out."

They made some preparations and drove out.

The illegal circle of Jiebei was not much different from Tianbei, but their legal circle was quite powerful.

The main controllers of the governmental agencies came from six powerful families. They were intertwined with one another to form a huge web. Any company that wanted to get through this web had to leave something behind, otherwise



they could forget about getting through the web.

The worst part was that these six families seemed to be pretty united. On the surface, they didn't seem to have any fights among each other.

Everyone's aim was the same and they split everything evenly. Everyone took one mouthful each and it was enough to fill their stomachs, so there was no need to fight.

Li Dong had tried for many days and used everything he had to finally contact just one of them. All the high and mighty representatives of the six powerful families didn't want to see him at all.



Li Dong was only a regional manager from Lin Group, so they didn't have any regard for him unless he could offer them something.

Li Dong and Number 5 waited outside the office for an hour before the door was open to them.

They walked in and there was nobody else besides a fairly large sized man. There was a gentle smile on his face as he sat at his desk, and he was clearly not busy with anything.

There were tea dregs in the trashcan that were obviously just thrown in moments ago and were still steaming.



This fellow had clearly preferred to leisurely make tea before attending to proper work matters. He had really gone overboard!



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