

Chapter 211 - You Are Being Unreasonable

Xiehan took Lanni to the restaurant he had suggested a while ago. Because they were both famished, they ordered immediately and started eating as soon as the meals arrived. It was only when they were eating dessert that Ji Xiehan found the chance to ask. "You have been so silent lately. Is something bothering you?"

For the last few days, they had not met and only exchanged calls and text messages. Lanni didn't sound alright, but he had been waiting for her to open up on her own. But seeing that she was still a little moody, he couldn't help but ask.

Lanni smiled briefly. "I'm..."

She was going to say that she was alright but she knew that she wasn't. Ji Xiehan would only be worried about her if she didn't speak up so she did. "I realized why I couldn't recover my memory before, even with hypnosis."

"Why is that?" Ji Xiehan was curious.

"It's Xia Luna."

Ji Xiehan was taken aback. Xia Luna? How was she even responsible?

"I overheard her saying that she couldn't let me recover my memory, right after telling her about the few things I had remembered."

Lanni looked betrayed as she glanced at the shocked Xiehan. "Can you imagine how shocked I was? After trying my best and hoping to remember anything, I suddenly realize that my own sister is the reason why I couldn't, and the person I thought of as a friend knew about it all along. Not only that, but now I'm also almost sure that she is also the one who made me lose my memory from the start."

"I didn't think she was capable of doing such a thing." Xiehan was shocked too. He didn't think Luna could possibly hurt her own sister.

"I didn't think she could do it either. But that's what I get for trusting her too much." Lanni laughed in self-mock. "Here I was thinking of ways to make mother get to know her better and clear whatever misunderstanding there is between them. Who knew that behind closed doors, she was busy scheming against me? I should never have trusted her."

Xiehan took her hand and caressed it. "Don't blame yourself my love. You didn't know. But Lanni, I don't know much about Luna but I do know..."

"You know that she loves me and wouldn't do anything to deliberately hurt me, and I shouldn't jump into conclusions before listening to her explanation?" Lanni suddenly interrupted, catching him off guard.

"Xiehan, there is nothing for her to explain. I know she is going to lie to me. Mom was right about her."

Xiehan sighed and didn't know what to say without sounding like he was taking sides. Besides, if he were to take sides, he should sound like he was siding with his girlfriend. So he changed the topic. "Did you remember anything just now?"

"Yeah." Lanni's attention was successfully diverted.

"At least I can pin some pieces of the puzzle together. I was investigating something. I was just about to get the answer that I was looking for when my trainer destroyed all my leads and jeopardized my investigation. I was so angry that I confronted him." Lanni explained.

"Actually, I don't understand him at all. Sometimes, he is helpful to me. Like when I got on the big boss' bad side, he stood up for me. He also saved my life on several instances. But at other times, he acts like he has been possessed by a devil. He will make my life hell and snap at me for making the slightest mistake."

Ji Xiehan's key word was, "A man?"

Lanni understood that tone and found him cute. "Don't worry. We kept a professional distance. At least I don't remember anything that states otherwise."

She knew that Xiehan might be scared that once she recovered her memory, she might find that she had been in love with someone else. That had crossed her thoughts too, but she no longer worried about it. No matter what her past came back with, she would only love Xiehan.

Seeing that he had calmed down from the sudden rush of anxiety, she continued, "I still don't know much about that organization but whatever it was, mother didn't want me to be there. We had a fight because of it and she even thought that I was only there because I wanted to please my grandma."

"Your grandma?" Xiehan was surprised. Lanni had a grandma?

"Yes. I don't remember much about her yet, but mom said she didn't ever like me. Anyway, I wasn't there because of anyone. I only wanted to help the nation."

Xiehan had a bad feeling about this. Lanni had lost her memory as a young adult. What did a girl that young have to do with helping the nation? And from how she made it sound, she must have been a teenager.

"So what were you? An investigation agent of some sort? You must have been so young for that." Xiehan inquired, surprised that he had even thought of that possibility.

"I don't know for sure. But whatever it was, it must have been nice. I was helping bring the truth to light and who knows, probably saving a few lives while at it."

"It wasn't anything nice." Xiehan stated, much to her shock. "Your mom was against it. Besides, your trainer didn't even want you there. It must be because he didn't want to risk your life."

"So what? It's my life." Lanni shrugged.

"You're being unreasonable." Xiehan admonished seriously.

"Excuse me?" She was taken aback.

"Do you want me to tell you what you want to hear, or what you need to hear? Because what you need to hear is that what you just said is selfish and unreasonable."

Lanni remained silent and he continued. "Aunty Li loves you so much. She would die if anything happened to you. You are her only family, Lanni. Why are you only thinking of what you want and not what would become of her if what you want landed you in danger? Why can't you think of the people who love you?"

Lanni was taken aback by the sudden lecture, but every word he said was true. "Xiehan, this is just what I'm speculating. Don't crucify me yet."

Xiehan caressed her small hand over the table. "Lanni, I wouldn't let you drag yourself into danger.

Lanni placed her other hand on his with a smile and promised, "I will not do anything that will make you worried."

Xiehan was satisfied by her declaration, so he paid the bill and they left the restaurant. In his car, he pondered whether to drop her home yet. A thought crossed his mind. Since he had already taken the day off, he might as well spend it with her.

"Why don't we go to my place? We can play a few games and catch a movie later."

"Sure." Lanni agreed. She had nothing to do at home either.

Xiehan drove to his mansion. There was no traffic since it was just early in the afternoon so they arrived quite fast. When the car came to a stop, he turned to Lanni and realized that she was gazing at him.

He leaned over and kissed her on the cheeks. Seeing that she was still staring and seemed to be deep in thoughts, he kissed the corner of her lips.

Lanni snapped back from whatever she was thinking about and hugged his neck, kissing his lower lip.

"Honey, let's get into the house first." He suggested, and she nodded. They got off the car fast, and he didn't even lock it before grabbing her into a hug and pressing his lips against his.

They entered the house, kissing all the way to his room. Luckily all the servants had disappeared to their rooms and whatever other places they could find as soon as they saw the two of them hugging and kissing.

Xiehan unlocked the door using one hand as the other hand hugged her against his body. He pushed the door open and carried her in, pressing her against the door as soon as it closed. Kisses landed from her lips to her neck as he impatiently tugged at her clothes and started taking them off.

Lanni hadn't known it but she had so badly missed the feel of his touch. The anticipation was mutual. She yanked his tie off and literally ripped his shirt open, sending buttons flying across the room. They took their clothes off at a remarkable speed.

"I want you." she mumbled against his now bare chest. She pushed him backwards until he reached the bed and when he did, she pushed him down on it. He obediently let her push him onto the bed and gasped as she came on top of him.

Her lips crashed down on his in an impatient kiss. She hugged her tightly and deepened the kiss.

"I missed you." She lifted her body slightly and glanced down below, at the bulge that had already formed on his crotch.. "Both of you."

Chapter 212 - We Missed You Too

"We missed you too." Xiehan hugged her and pulled her against his body, kissing her neck. He held the sides of her thong and slid it down her waist.

He flipped her under him as he took off his boxer briefs. "How do you want it, slow or fast?"

"Fast....ah!" A moan escaped her lips as he slammed into her.

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Later.

Lanni rested her head against Xiehan's chest as he caressed her hair down her back.

"Honey, are you planning to go for hypnosis again?" Xiehan asked as he stroked her waist.

"Yeah." She replied. "I think I'm ready to remember everything now."

Xiehan thought it was the best decision. Postponing it wouldn't do much to actually help.

Lanni's phone rang. She frowned when she saw who the caller was. Those two just wouldn't give up, would they?

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Earlier

Golden Wing apartments.

Nothing was going well for Luna.

After Lanni overheard her conversation with Cheng Yu, she had ignored her calls. She had even tried to send several messages to explain but Lanni blocked her. She thought of hacking into Lanni's phone or laptop and leaving a message but chances were that it would only make Lanni angrier. Hence she could only give up for now.

But that was just the beginning of her troubles. She had been following a lead that would help her expose Li Xiyan. After Li Xiyan started suspecting that she might be alive, Xia Luna had stopped trying to investigate on her own, in fear that someone might manage to track her down. Hence she had secretly hired a private investigator and given him all the information she had managed to gather.

Two days ago, he had told her that he had managed to find evidence that could prove Li Xiyan guilty. If Li Xiyan was proven guilty, it could possibly prove that she had been in danger. However, this morning, she had received dreadful news. The investigator was actually found dead in his home.

Luna clenched her fists, trying to stop herself from going insane. "Why does this have to happen now?" she slammed her laptop shut.

All her months of hard work had suddenly gone down the drain. She clenched her lips. What now? Why did everything have to go wrong at such a time?

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When Cheng Yu came back home, Xia Luna was sitting on the floor. She went to her worriedly. "Are you alright? What happened?"

Xia Luna's shoulders lifted into an indifferent shrug. "I guess I was never going to get the stain off my name in this lifetime."

"What happened?" Cheng Yu was aware that Luna had talked to a private detective. "That man couldn't have been hired by Li Xiyan and betrayed you, right?"

"I wish it was just that." Luna breathed. "I wish she had just hired him to betray me. But no, she didn't. He is dead."

"What..." Cheng Yu muttered, sitting on the floor next to her. "How could that be? Why at such an important time?"

"That's the point, Xiao Yu. It's because it is such an important time."

The insinuation in Luna's voice couldn't be any more obvious. Cheng Yu cautiously questioned, "Are you suspecting that Li Xiyan killed him?"

"Who else could? The police think his wife did it and have arrested her. But I don't think so. I'm so confused."

Cheng Yu patted her back. "It's okay, relax. Everything will fall into place."

Xia Luna suddenly shot to her feet. "You're right."

Cheng Yu looked up at her and was happy that Xia Luna didn't usually stay distressed for too long. "See?"

However, her joy didn't last long. Xia Luna grabbed her laptop and stuffed it into a bag, then swiftly changed into her male disguise.

"Where are you going?" Cheng Yu was startled and worried when she saw Luna swiftly changing.

Luna grabbed the bag and briefly explained. "everything will fall into place, but not on its own. It's up to me now."

"Luna, where are you going?" Cheng Yu called after her, but Luna didn't answer her and went on her way. "Sigh, they're both so stubborn."

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Luna had the cab stop far from her actual destination. She discreetly looked around to make sure she was not being followed and took out a pair of gloves. In the distance was Detective Paul's house. She went to a bench on another street and took out her laptop.

For convenience, he had told her his address so they wouldn't have to talk on phone. She had been to his house once so she remembered it well. However, she couldn't break down the door to a crime scene. That would make it obvious that someone had been to the house and would pose trouble.

She used her laptop to check for any surveillance cameras that could capture anything at his house.

She found one and checked its feed. In once, she saw Detective Paul's wife picking a stone in the front yard and when she lifted it, it turned out to be stuck onto a bottle buried into the ground. She opened the bottle and took out a key. Luna sighed in relief. She wouldn't need to pick the lock anymore. After obtaining this information, she copied a random feed and made the security camera stop functioning for five minutes.

When everything was ready, she went to the spot she had seen Mrs. Paul pick a stone from the feed and checked. After finding the right stone, she took the key and opened the door. Once she was done, she took off her shoes and snuck into the house. She already had gloves on so she didn't have to worry about leaving her fingerprints anywhere, and taken off her shoes to avoid leaving any shoe prints. She knew that she was being too cautious but it was better than getting caught.

She looked at the staircase and went up after thinking about it. Detective Paul only lived with his wife, so there was no one else in the house after the husband died and the wife got arrested. She had four minutes left. She would have bought herself more time but if the surveillance camera was altered for too long, it would be suspicious.

After looking through the rooms on the first floor, she found the study. "I hope he left something here." She mumbled to herself.

He probably wouldn't leave anything on the bookshelves as a precaution, especially since he was a married man and wasn't the only one living in his house. Who knew, someone might try to bribe his wife to steal something. After looking around, she saw a safe. She was about to think about how to crack the code when she realized that she must be crazy. The man was killed. If it was really related to the case, the murderer would be dumb if they didn't steal whatever information there was before killing him.

She clenched her fists, realizing that she was at a dead end. She breathed out a sigh and left the house as sneakily as she had entered. Grabbing her bag from where she had left it, she glanced at the time. She had two minutes left. But there was nothing she could do. There was no point.

Just as she was about to leave, she looked at the window that was supposed to be the master bedroom's. A thought crossed her mind. What if the murderer just wanted the information, but he refused to hand it over so they killed him? He could have hidden it somewhere.

"No way. I shouldn't give up before checking every nook and cranny." She muttered in a whisper, determination flashing in her eyes. This was a matter of her life. She didn't mean to be selfish but there was no way she could agree to pay for something she did not do. Well, it was something she did, but she didn't have a choice. It was self-defense and the real murderer was still strutting around freely.

Besides, her father might wake up soon and the last thing she wanted to be was for him to have another heart attack because she had been arrested. Not to mention, proving Li Xiyan guilty might also prove that she had a reason to want to murder Detective Paul. It might help prove Mrs. Paul's innocence. Decisively, she altered the feed again to buy herself two more minutes and snuck back into the house. This time, she didn't waste any time before dashing into the master bedroom and checking.

Just when she was about to give up, she saw a small perfume bottle on the desk. It was a familiar bottle and she knew that it wasn't a perfume. It was a USB drive in the guise of a perfume. a rush of hope filled her heart as she kept it in her pocket.

But at that moment, a voice filled the house.

"The house is surrounded. Raise your hands in the air and come out."

Xia Luna froze.. Damn it.

Chapter 213 - That Was Close

Xia Luna took a careful peek outside. There were indeed about fifteen armed police officers outside. She had been found out...

She was about to follow the order and go out when she frowned as a thought crossed her mind. All those police officers against one intruder? Not to mention that she was just a young woman and young women were usually underestimated. Wasn't this too exaggerated? Perhaps there was someone else in the house and she didn't know about it?

She heard the announcement again and knew that the police would flood into the house any second now. If she were caught, it wouldn't matter whether she was the one they wanted or not. She would still be arrested nonetheless.

The police were looking up every window so her fastest exit, the master bedroom's window, was inaccessible. She didn't need to check to know that there must be one under the bathroom window as

well. Besides, her time was already up. Even if she managed to distract the police and leave through the door, she might be captured by the surveillance camera she had tampered with. That would still help the police discover her. If only she had carried her laptop in here! But she had left it hidden together with her shoes for ease of movement.

"Get in. Search every nook and cranny of every room! And be careful, she might be dangerous." Luna heard one of the officers bellow orders.

Without a doubt, she was the one being looked for. 'What to do? Think, think think.' She thought as she looked for a place to hide. Fighting an unknown number of policemen was definitely not an option when she couldn't even beat Jiang Xingyu in their childish fights. Gah! Why did she have to think of him at such a dangerous moment? Her life was on the line now!

She scanned the wall, windows and roofs. How could a detective not have any place to hide in his home? Shouldn't he have a secret passage at the very least? But no, he had none. And the police were coming upstairs. She could hear their heavy, rushed footsteps against the floor as they made their way into every room. They seemed to split ways, and she saw the knob of the door to the master bedroom twist.

Luna dashed into the closet and closed its door carefully just as the door opened. She knew it was an absolutely dumb move but she couldn't give up without trying at least. She stilled her body and stopped breathing when she felt someone near the closet. The person moved away and she heard them go to the curtain and search for her behind it. She hit her lips to stop a laugh from escaping her mouth. What did he take her for, a child playing hide-and-seek?

"She's not here." He announced after a while. She felt his footsteps retreat away, followed by their conversation.

"Not here either." Another said a distance away.

"Not in the kitchen either."

"Did you search properly?" The stern-sounding officer bellowed again.

"We searched all the crevices." They answered.

"I see. She might have escaped. Hurry!"

Then she heard their footsteps retreat as fast as they came. She breathed a sigh of relief when everything stilled down once more. That was awfully close.

It was too dark in the closet and she couldn't see the time on her watch. She had left her phone too, in case someone called, so she could only count the minutes in her heart. After giving it a long time and making sure that they were really gone, she pushed the door open slightly and peeked outside. Everything was clear now. Her time was over and she definitely couldn't use the door now. But on the bright side, she had managed to escape being caught.

She pushed the door further open but just as she did, she stopped in her tracks.

"We caught her." One of the officers smiled. They were all standing near the window.

He walked over and dangled a pair of handcuffs in front of her. "I knew she was still in here. Xia Luna, you are under arrest. You have the right to remain silent. Anything you say may be used against you in the court of law."

Xia Luna felt defeated as the cold handcuffs connected with her wrists. Had she been so anxious that she didn't consider the possibility of being tricked?

"Boss, isn't this a man?" Another police officer pointed out as he looked Xia Luna up and down.

"Shut up. What do you know? She has been disguising as a man all along and today, I'm lucky because we were informed that she might cross-dress." The man responded, looking like he wanted to murder Xia Luna right away. "She's quite the naughty girl. She even took off her shoes and wore gloves. Habitual criminal, huh?"

Xia Luna was currently wondering who the heck told them about them crossdressing. No one had ever found out. She wordlessly let them lead her to their car that was waiting some distance away. The siren

was off. No wonder she didn't hear anything until they were outside the building. Just how much attention were they giving her? She was not a serial killer, hey!

She was still rambling mentally when she saw something—someone that made her heart skip a beat. Lanni... what was she doing here? She was actually speaking to one of the police officers.

Xia Luna's lips curled slightly. So it was her. No wonder the police would know that she would be in male clothes. Aside from the Jiangs and Cheng Yu, Lanni was the only one who knew about her male disguise. So she had ratted her out... she should have thought so.

What was this, revenge? If that was the case then she had nothing to say, right? So much for being sisters.

Xia Luna took a long glance at Lanni and met her gaze, mouthing the words "good job".

Chapter 214 - Cuffed

Lanni looked at Luna in confusion. What was she thanking her for? She hadn't managed to be of any help, right? And, why would anyone look so solemn while thanking another?

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One hour ago.

Lanni ignored her phone and continued hugging Xiehan. But just when it stopped ringing, it started ringing again. The caller was incessant.

"Honey, it might be important. You should answer it." Xiehan suggested.

"It's Cheng Yu." Lanni looked disgusted just uttering that name. "Why would I speak to a traitor?"

Xiehan reached for her phone and held it close to her. "She already knows that you are mad at her. If it wasn't an emergency, I don't think she would have to call you."

Lanni thought about how Cheng Yu wasn't in good terms with her family. Perhaps something happened to her and she had no one else to call? If something happened to anyone, she would feel bad if she didn't help them even if that person was her sworn enemy. Hence she hesitantly picked the call.

"Lanni, I'm so sorry to bother you but..."

"Go straight to the point." Lanni dismissed.

Cheng Yu had not expected Lanni to pick her call so she was inarticulate for a while and only spoke later. "Luna went to the detective's house. If the police catch her there then..."

The word police startled Lanni and she sat up. "What detective and why is the police involved? Can you be a little more clear?"

Cheng Yu took a deep breath and slowed down. "The detective who was helping her find the evidence to clear her name. He was found dead in his home early this morning."

"And?"

"Luna is going to his house now. That's a crime scene."

Lanni was startled for a while then she snickered. "Cheng Yu, if this is your way of making me worry about that traitor, sorry, it didn't work."

"What? Traitor?" Cheng Yu was shocked someone would call their sister that. "That's not important. Lanni, I'm telling you the truth. I swear it."

"And so what if she's going to a crime scene? I cannot stop her." Lanni shrugged even though Cheng Yu couldn't see her.

"You can stop her, Lanni. She can only listen to you." Cheng Yu hung up immediately after saying this.

Lanni scrunched up her brows. When did she agree? She was about to call Cheng Yu and tell her that it was none of her business but the latter sent a text message with the detective's name and address then switched off her phone.

"A detective whose address is so easily accessible?" Lanni raised her eyebrows.

"What happened? Is it an emergency?" Xiehan asked from beside her.

Only then did Lanni snap out of her thoughts. "Luna!"

Xiehan was yet to ask what had happened to Luna when Lanni dressed up at record speed.

He dressed up just as fast and grabbed his car keys, rushing out of the house after her. "Where are you going? I'll drive you there."

Lanni gave him the address and grabbed her phone back as soon as he copied it. She dialed Luna's number hurriedly. However, the call didn't go through.

"She's crazy." Lanni cursed and stopped calling. She might have switched her phone off. "We can only hope to reach there before she does and stop her from going in."

Xiehan stepped on the accelerator and sped away. "Then we better do that fast."

Just a few minutes later, they were almost there. Lanni recalled something and turned to Xiehan. "Hold on. Stop here."

"Huh?" Xiehan turned to ask.

"We shouldn't get too close to a crime scene either."

Xiehan thought she was being too cautious but he pulled up some distance away anyway. Lanni literally jumped off the car as soon as it stopped.

"Are you crazy? That was dangerous." He admonished, but she had run off. Stubborn girl... he would give her a good scolding later.

He wanted to follow her but changed his mind after thinking about it. It would be best for the twins to solve their own matter privately. He followed her from a distance, just in case she happened to need him.

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Lanni confirmed the address on her phone and walked towards it. This was insane. What if she was the one being caught in the crime scene instead? She was about to turn back but the thought of her sister getting herself into unnecessary trouble made her heart uneasy with worry. She took a deep breath and went on. She was already here anyway.

She took out her phone and checked through the online map. Luckily, there was only one path Luna could possibly follow even if she wanted to sneak into that house. She couldn't miss her. Lanni snuck into the compound. She would hide somewhere and drag Luna away as soon as the latter appeared and give her a piece of her mind.

But just as she got a clear look at the compound, she saw a group of policemen surrounding the house.

She shut her eyes and opened them again. What was she seeing?

Did this mean... that Luna had been caught? Was she too late already? This couldn't be...

"Who is that girl?" One of the policemen noticed her and asked.

Lanni cursed under her breath. She wouldn't be in trouble, right? She forced a smile and walked up to the policeman.

"Who are you, and what are you doing here?" He looked wary as he scanned her.

"Hello officer, my name is Li Lanni."

"Show me your ID." He narrowed his gaze.

Lanni uncomfortably took out her national ID and showed it to him. He didn't look totally convinced, but his colleague mumbled something about the suspect being caught. He no longer questioned Lanni's identity, and she was curious. Was the suspect Luna? Or else why was he so wary of her before the suspect got caught?

"Why are you here? Don't you know that you should not enter a crime scene?" He interrupted her thoughts.

"I'm sorry. I came to say hello to Mrs. Paul and was surprised to see the 'crime scene' tapes so I came closer to have a look.

"Leave." He said sternly.

"Yes."

Lanni snuck a look before leaving... and that was when she saw her sister being led out of the house in handcuffs....

Chapter 215 - I Was Wrong About Her

She had already expected it, but when she saw Luna being led out like a criminal, her heart sank. She was too late. Luna's gaze confused her. Why did she look like they were arch enemies?

She so badly wanted to rush over and stop the policemen from taking her away. However, her business here was supposed to be paying Mrs. Paul a visit. She had even pretended not to know that Mrs. Paul had been arrested for the murder of her husband.

It was already suspicious enough that while one twin was caught intruding the crime scene, the other had arrived in the name of visiting the hosts. If she went to Luna now, the police would suspect that they were together.

One fugitive was better than two, so Lanni pretended not to know Luna. She looked back at the police officer and curiously asked, "Sir, why is this a crime scene now? Is Mrs. Paul home?"

"Little girl, mind your own business and get lost." The officer bellowed, and Lanni retreated.

"Yes, excuse me."

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She rushed back to the spot where Xie Han's car was parked, panting.

"Did you stop her?" He asked as he started the car to leave immediately.

"No. The police got there first." Lanni chocked.

"No way." Xiehan turned to glance at her.

"They arrested her."

Xiehan held the steering wheel with one hand as the other landed on her knee as a gesture of comfort.
"It will be alright."

"Yeah..." Lanni bit her lip. She was so useless that she was unable to stop her sister from getting herself into trouble. What was wrong with Xia Luna? Did she take herself for a superhero of sorts? Did she think she could really escape the police every time? And why the heck did she even care?

"Are you worried about her?" Xiehan looked at her and asked.

"Why the hell would I be worried about the woman who betrayed me?"

Xiehan chuckled. "You're so cute when you say things you don't mean. It's okay. I know you're worried about her and it's a good thing. It doesn't make you weak."

To avoid pissing her off, he stopped teasing her when he knew he should. He took out his phone at a red light. "I'll tell Xingyu about this."

"Why do you have to tell him?"

"She is his girlfriend—or at least that's what he believes. So he has to know such an important thing. He might find a way to deal with this matter."

Lanni pursed her lips and said nothing. Jiang Xingyu did have a right to know and be involved in this. But why was it making her feel so useless?

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Lanni couldn't think straight. She still wanted to deny it, but she was worried about Luna. She couldn't let her stay in police custody. Even she was surprised that there were so many policemen at the scene just to catch an intruder. Why was that so... unbelievable? It was as though they had been specifically ordered to do in large numbers and get a dangerous criminal.

Lanni's heart sank when she thought of a possibility. If they hadn't yet, they were going to discover Luna's true identity soon. What would they do to her then?

No way. She couldn't let her sister be tortured in police custody.

That evening, Lanni couldn't take a bite of anything no matter how hard she tried to eat. She unknowingly played with her cutlery as she stared into the air, deep in thought.

"What's happening with you? You haven't eaten grain of rice all evening. What are you even thinking about?" Li Yuming was worried. Lanni was in a bad mood again? What was up with her ever-changing mood?

Lanni placed her fork onto the plate and passively spoke, "have you ever been worried about someone that betrayed you?"

Li Yuming raised an eyebrow to inquire. "Who betrayed you, and why would you worry about them?"

"She deceived me. She betrayed my trust. But now that she has been arrested, I can't stop myself from worrying about what may happen to her. Am I being silly?"

Even though she had not mentioned any name, Li Yuming automatically thought of Xia Luna. Was Lanni talking about her?

Li Yuming didn't say a word of it, but when she slotted the pieces together and believed that Xia Luna must have been arrested by the police, her heart clenched with worry. Why was she even worried?

She let out a shallow sigh. She was Xia Luna's biological mother. No matter how much she hated Xia Luna, she would still be worried if something were to happen to her. It was just that, nothing much.

"How did she betray you?" She asked to stop herself from worrying any further.

Lanni harrumphed and stabbed a piece of pineapple, shoving it into her mouth. She chewed and swallowed as she found the right words to phrase it. In the end, she just blurted it plainly. "I don't know what she did but it's because of her that I couldn't recover my memory before. She might have done something... I'm guessing maybe she switched my meds. That's the only possible way I can think of."

"She did what?" Li Yuming was taken aback.

"Ridiculous, right? Yet here I was trusting her like the fool she had taken me for." Lanni placed the fork onto the plate and moved to hug Li Yuming's arm. "I should have listened to you, mom. You were right about her. She does have ill motives."

"Uh..." Li Yuming was confused.

Xia Luna didn't want Lanni to recover her memory? That was...

She reached to caress her daughter's head as a form of comfort but her face scrunched into a frown. 'No, Lanni. You were not wrong about her. I was.' She thought.

For the first time she could ever imagine, she was of the same opinion as the girl she thought of as a trickster despite her young age.. Because if anyone were to ask her, one of the things she dreaded most was for Lanni to recover her memory.

Chapter 216 - I'm Innocent

The next morning, in the interrogation room.

"I already told you. I have nothing to do with Detective Paul's death." Xia Luna insisted for the umpteenth time.

"All the evidence is pointed towards you." The policeman snarled.

"What evidence?" Xia Luna was irritated.

"You are the only outsider that appeared in his house within the last forty-eight hours and no one saw you enter or leave. What business do you have sneaking into people's houses?"

"I already said I will not answer that without a lawyer." Xia Luna licked her chapped lips.

"You are a wanted criminal, you were caught in another crime scene and you still insist on finding a lawyer? What do you think this is, a joke?"

Xia Luna saved her breath. This man had been trying to rile her up ever since she got arrested. Was he trying to make her lose control and fight so he would have an excuse to physically assault her?

The more she stayed here, the more she felt like it didn't make sense. Even if Lanni were to hand her over to the police, she wouldn't be so evil as to pay them to harass her. There must be someone else involved here. But who could that be?

"The truth is clear to everyone, but you still refuse to admit to your crime?" He gritted his teeth.

Luna bit her lip and pretended not to hear his provocation. She was being accused of two crimes, neither of which she was guilty of. And now she wasn't even being allowed to get a lawyer? What happened to her rights?

"She hasn't confessed to her crimes yet?" A policewoman entered the interrogation room to ask.

"Nothing." The man shook his head in response.

The woman walked over to the chair opposite Xia Luna's and patted the man's shoulder. "I'll have a word with her."

The man retreated, reluctantly letting his colleague take the seat. Perhaps she would be able to talk some sense into her, being both women.

As soon as it was just the two of them, the policewoman went straight to the point. "When did you go to Detective Paul's house?"

For some reason, Luna felt a little safer with this woman. She looked genuine, or maybe it was just that she was tired of this push and pull and was resigning to her fate. She sighed and told the truth.

"Yesterday in the afternoon."

"Where were you yesterday in the morning and on the night before?" The interrogation continued.

"In my apartment." And she was. Cheng Yu could testify that since they lived together but they wouldn't even let her contact anyone.

The woman asked a few more questions and stood up, still in thought. "Do you know why you are here?"

"Because you think I had something to do with his death?" Luna shrugged. Wasn't that what they had been saying since the day before?

"No." The woman said sternly. "We don't just think that you have something to do with his death. All the current evidence is pointed towards you."

"What?" Luna shook her head in protest. The policeman from earlier had said this too, but she thought he was only trying to make her lose her temper. "But how? You said he died yesterday at 5am. I was still sleeping in my house at that time. I could only at most be charged with trespassing."

She turned to look at Xia Luna. "You are wanted for escaping criminal charges a year ago. You are so mysterious that there is almost no information about you. There is no trace of you in that house even though you were caught there. Which means you can commit a crime and leave no trail. And two days ago, Paul said that he would stop helping you because he found you guilty from his investigation. This information alone proves that if Paul was in danger from anyone, it would be you."

"What do you mean?" Luna was confused. "Two days ago, he told me that he had found the truth to prove my innocence. He was going to help me submit it to the court. Why would he also tell me that he found me guilty?"

"Someone overheard your conversation with him."

"Who?"

"His wife."

Luna laughed in self-ridicule. So that was why they were so sure. And to think that she had wanted to help that woman prove her innocence. She couldn't entirely blame Mrs. Paul, though. If her husband was dead and she was being blamed for his death, she might also lie to get herself out of trouble.

"But mere words cannot be used as evidence to declare someone guilty."

"But if you cannot prove your innocence, you will be deemed guilty."

Luna massaged her temples with a sigh. "What if I can prove that I was at my apartment two nights ago?"

"You should have done so already. What are you waiting for?" The woman shrugged.

"I need to speak to my friend." She announced.

"I see." The policewoman left the interrogation room after obtaining Cheng Yu's details and contact information from Xia Luna. She came back a few minutes later. "Unfortunately, we couldn't reach your friend. However, there is a young woman here to see you. She claims to be your sister."

Xia Luna was about to roll her eyes and refuse to see Lanni but thinking that she might have misunderstood her, she followed the policewoman out. She stood a short distance away as Luna went over to Lanni.

"What are you doing here?" She asked as she sat down.

"How are you? You look pale." Lanni fussed.

"Are you worried about me?" Luna laughed.

"Of course I'm worried." Lanni glanced at the policewoman at the side and swallowed the scolding she was going to give Xia Luna for sneaking into a crime scene. "I got a lawyer. He should be here any time now."

"You did?" Xia Luna was now more convinced that Lanni wasn't the one who called the police on her. If Lanni wasn't behind her arrest, then who was?

Chapter 217 - Unexpected

Luna took a peek and saw that the policewoman had moved a few feet away from them, probably to give them a little more privacy. She smiled at her gratefully but still didn't lower her guard. It must be a trap so she would say something that might incriminate her, thinking it was safe.

She looked back at Lanni. "I'm sorry Lanni."

Lanni forced a smile and thought back at the matter at hand. "I don't think it's the right time to talk about that. You can explain once you get out of here."

That meant she had a chance to explain. Luna smiled in gratitude. "Thank you."

Lanni looked at the entrance. "Oh! The lawyer is here already." She stood up to greet him. "Mr. Wang, this is my sister. I guess they should give you more time to..."

"I'm not here to talk to your sister." Mr. Wang suddenly told Lanni spitefully.

"But why? Aren't you her lawyer now?" Lanni was shocked.

"I'm only here because I couldn't get through to you and I had to come all the way here just to tell you that I no longer want to take this case. Now if you will excuse me." He went on his way as soon as he finished uttering the disappointing words.

Lanni remained rooted on the spot and blinked. What was going on? "Luna..."

"I understand, Lanni. At least you tried." Luna was not mad at her. It was not her fault that the lawyer bailed out on them. Besides, it was already surprising enough that Lanni would even hire a lawyer for her despite being mad at her. Time was already up, so Luna had to leave and Lanni had to go back home.

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Li Yuming told no one but she was on pins and needles. She knew that Lanni had gone to find a lawyer for Luna. She also knew that Luna would be taken to court soon. Even so, she could only wait at home and hear the news from Lanni.

"For how long will you continue to be a coward, Li Yuming?" She scolded herself. She knew it deep down that she was worried about Luna. It was a maternal reaction, and she couldn't deny it. Why couldn't she just go and check on Luna herself?

She was still pondering when Lanni returned, looking dejected.

"What happened?" She rushed to Lanni to ask.

If this was any other time, Lanni would tease her with, "I thought you hated her? Why do you look so worried now?"

But in this situation, it was complicated for her too. "The lawyer suddenly refused to take this case."

"What?" Li Yuming raised a hand over her mouth.

Lanni tossed her bag onto the couch. "I know I said I hate her for betraying me but... I can't stand the thought of her suffering in jail. I wish I could take her place."

She expected Li Yuming to scold her, but what the latter said surprised her instead. "I can't believe I'm saying this but I wish I could take her place too."

Lanni looked up at her mother in surprise. Li Yuming tried to find an excuse but she found none so she smiled. "You know Lanni, she's my daughter too. No matter what happened between me and her, I'm still her mother. I would still feel hurt if I saw something happen to her."

"Mom..." Lanni threw herself into Li Yuming's arms. "I knew you still loved Luna. I can't believe I'm saying this either but... I'm going to find another lawyer."

"I can't believe I'm saying this but I'll help you find the best lawyer." Li Yuming caressed Lanni's hair.

Lanni blinked away a drop of tears. She couldn't believe she was thinking this way but at least something good came out of this predicament. Li Yuming finally accepted her feelings towards her other daughter.

"Mom, how about you pay her a visit while at it? I'm sure she would be excited to see you." Lanni tried pushing her luck, still not believing she was doing this for someone she was angry with.

"Instead of paying her a visit, why don't we try to bail her out? You said she was only a suspect." Li Yuming suggested.

"Yeah..." Lanni felt her head hurt. "I thought she was just a suspect because she was caught in the crime scene. Only later did I realize that there was incriminating evidence against her."

"How can that be?" Li Yuming's heart sank too.

"I don't know if they can release her on bail." Lanni worried.

"We will not know unless we try." Li Yuming sounded determined.

"You're right mom. So should we try now?"

"What are we waiting for?" Li Yuming grabbed her phone and her purse. On their way, she made a few phone calls to find a lawyer.

When she was done, Lanni finally found the chance to ask. "Why did you hate her so much anyway?"

Now that Lanni asked, Li Yuming found that her reason wasn't so concrete perhaps because she now knew that Luna might not actually mean harm. "Just a few days after you left the hospital months ago, she snuck into our house. I know she didn't know that I saw her. But I knew that wasn't you. I don't know what she was doing in your room but it couldn't be anything good. You don't know how frightened I was."

Lanni didn't know whether to laugh or cry. "Just that?"

Li Yuming rubbed her hair. "That's just the trigger. The rest is a story for another day."

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Soon they arrived at the police station. They hadn't expected it, but Luna was released on bail. The only condition was that she could not leave the city. The process was fast too. It wasn't long before they saw her walking out.

"Lanni, you bailed me out?" She was emotional, then she froze once she saw Li Yuming. Her hands involuntarily balled into fists as she retreated half a step.

Li Yuming's lips quivered. Guilt and shame filled her heart as she hesitantly reached out for her, calling out the name she had not called in two decades. "Luna..."

Xia Luna's eyes shot open and she stopped retreating. She tilted her head to look at Lanni, wordlessly asking what in the world was going on.

Lanni chuckled in response and took Li Yuming's arm.. "Mom, you're frightening Luna. How about we talk in the car?"

Chapter 218 - A Couple Having A Scuffle

"Right." Li Yuming realized that her sudden actions were indeed scary. She went towards the car with Lanni and the shocked Luna.

"I'll sit in the shotgun. You and Luna sit in the back." Lanni quickly told Li Yuming and entered the car before they could react to her words.

Li Yuming didn't mind but Luna was still puzzled stiff. What in the world was going on? Didn't Li Yuming hate her? Why did she call her so sweetly earlier? Why was she agreeing to let her into her car and even sitting together? She looked in Lanni's direction in askance but Lanni wasn't even looking at her, so she silently but nervously entered the car.

The ride was quiet and as awkward as could be, with Luna keeping as much distance as the backseat could allow.

Lanni saw this and shook her head. These two made it feel like they were a couple having a scuffle. She turned and flashed Luna a smile. "Mom was so worried about you earlier. She didn't sleep a wink."

❖❖❖She was?" Luna raised a brow.

"I was?" Li Yuming was surprised too.

"Or else, how do you explain your dark circles?" Lanni mercilessly exposed her mother.

Luna couldn't look help but peek at Li Yuming. She was really worried? Li Yuming scanned Luna with her eyes and nervously smiled. She couldn't just start telling her that she had missed her out of nowhere, right? That would be too weird.

Lanni was helpless so she asked her mother, "Did you successfully get a lawyer?"

Li Yuming remembered that she had called one earlier. "Yeah. But he is busy with another client at the moment and can only meet me in two days. I know it's a long time but this is the best lawyer I have ever heard of so I'm willing to wait.

Lanni smiled in satisfaction while Luna was even more shocked. Li Yuming was willing to spend so much time and effort to get the best lawyer she knew for Luna?

While it shocked Luna, Lanni was now totally convinced that Li Yuming was willing to accept her other daughter and perhaps even become close to her.

But even after that short conversation, silence prevailed once again and the mother-daughter pair kept stealing awkward glances at each other.

Lanni helplessly shook her head. Soon, they arrived at Goldenwing Apartments. Lanni pondered for a moment before pointing something out. "Now that this case has blown up, many people know about you, Luna. Will you really be safe if you stay here?"

"There's nothing to worry about." Luna hurriedly dismissed.

"Why wouldn't she be safe?" Li Yuming was worried.

Luna shot a glare at Lanni, who pretended not to see it and explained to Li Yuming. "Li Xiyan is after Luna's life. Actually, she has been at Luna's neck for more than a year now. Even Luna's previous crime is her fault. Luna was only defending herself."

"How dare she?! That woman wrecked my family. Now she dares to bully my daughter?" Li Yuming clenched her fists. "I shouldn't have left before getting rid of her. Anyway, if it isn't safe, Luna cannot live on her own." Before she could stop herself, she suggested, "She can stay with us for the time being."

"That's a good idea." Lanni did not give her sister the time to reject the offer. "Luna, go up and gather a few necessities... uhm, never mind. We can buy some on the way."

"I didn't say I was going..." Luna finally found her voice and regretted her words as soon as they left her mouth. Would her mother be disappointed and hate her again? It had taken so long before Li Yuming finally warmed up to her... but thinking of Cheng Yu, she still couldn't go with Lanni and her mother.

"What about Xiao Yu? I cannot let her be on her own. What if someone tries to harm her while I'm away?" she quickly explained.

"She can come too. Wouldn't that be awesome?" Lanni chirped.

"Xiao Yu... Cheng Yu?" Li Yuming inquired and was surprised when Lanni nodded. Cheng Yu and Xia Luna knew each other and from what they were saying, they even lived together?

But now that she was more welcoming of Xia Luna and was even willing to get to know her better, she did not mind. Besides, Cheng Yu had the right to be friends with whoever she wanted.

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Luna went up to her apartment to grab her laptop and ask Cheng Yu to go with her while at it. It was not that she was scared of living on her own. She had been constantly in danger for the past one year and she was able to take care of herself after all. It was just that she couldn't bring herself to turn down the offer she had always wished for.

Although she didn't know why Li Yuming was suddenly trying to get close to her after the fight they had the last time they met, she didn't mind it in the least bit. If anything, she was overjoyed. This was good news. It wouldn't be too long before their family finally reunited.

Luna entered the house cheerfully. "Xiao Yu."

There was no answer, so she went to Cheng Yu's room. "Xiao..."

She swallowed her words when she found that Cheng Yu was not in her room. Xia Luna could have assumed that she was in Star Art International if Cheng Yu's things were not missing. There was nothing on the table. Her easel was gone too. All her shoes were missing as well.

Luna had a bad feeling as she opened the closet. That, too, was empty. She stared at the cloth hangers in shock. Cheng Yu left and didn't tell her about it? This was so unlike her.

Even so, she didn't jump into conclusions and took her phone to call her instead.

"Sorry, the subscriber you are trying to reach is currently unreachable. Please try again later.." Came the automated response.

Chapter 219 - They're At It Again

Three days later.

Li Yuming cooked lunch for both of her daughters like she had been doing for the past three days. She gladly set the table and called them down to eat. Her heart was filled with the kind of fulfillment that she had never felt before. Perhaps this was what she was really missing before – her other daughter.

Within the short time she had spent with Luna, she had learned that some of the things she had initially thought of Luna were wrong. Although Luna was indeed a little introverted, she was actually kind and had people she cared about. This proved that perhaps, she was not the selfish, scheming girl that Li Yuming had initially assumed her to be.

The three of them ate lunch together, like the happy trio they should have been all these years. After having lunch, Luna took her phone and went to the backyard. She dialed Cheng Yu's number for the umpteenth time.

"Sorry, the subscriber you are trying to reach is currently unreachable. Please try again later." She got the automatic response for the gazillionth time.

"Cheng Yu, just where are you?" her heart crept with worry.

"You haven't managed to get through to Xiao Yu yet?" Lanni joined her and asked.

"Not yet."

"Then we should try to look for her." Lanni was worried too.

"But I didn't want to invade her privacy by hacking into her phone or something." Luna sighed.

"That's not the only way." Lanni bit her bottom lip. "We can physically look for her. Check if she booked any train or bus tickets, find out if she has still been going to school and check with Xiao Ying."

"You're right." Xia Luna agreed although she had a bad feeling about all of this. How could anyone simply disappear like that? She could only hope that Cheng Yu was fine.

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That evening.

"I can't believe it." Luna laughed mockingly.

"Xiao Yu actually left the city," Lanni added.

"that's not the main point here. The main point is that before she left, she gave a statement to the police. She actually said that on the night that Detective Paul was murdered, I left the house late at night and returned early in the morning."

Li Yuming massaged her temples as she heard her daughters converse. why would Cheng Yu do such a thing? "But it's just plain words with no proof, right? The court wouldn't accept that as evidence for the crime."

"Yeah, but we would rather have baseless words in Luna's favor than against her." Lanni chimed in. "Besides, they are best friends and in her statement, she even said that she was afraid Luna might hurt her for telling the truth so she decided to flee."

"I can't believe a brought a snake to me so she would bite my own daughter." Li Yuming gritted her teeth in self-blame.

"You don't have to blame yourself, mother." Luna held her hand, surprised that she had already gotten used to addressing Li Yuming that way. "I'm the one who got close to her. I'm the one who also went to that crime scene and brought all of this upon myself. So it's up to me to find all the evidence I need to prove my innocence in both cases."

"What nonsense are you saying, Luna?" Lanni admonished. "I'm your sister. No matter what happens, no matter how much danger there is, I will help you prove your innocence."

Li Yuming glanced at both of them and took their hands in hers. "The two of you are my daughters and the last thing I want is to see you put your lives in danger. But since this situation is already dangerous in itself, I will accompany you. I will go every step with you and prove your innocence."

"Me too." A voice chimed in from the entrance. Li Yuming, Lanni, and Luna turned to see Ji Xiehan walk in with Jiang Xingyu. Ji Xiehan looked at the three women and continued, "I will do this for Lanni and Aunty. I will do all I can to help."

"I will help too. Luna is my responsibility and I will do everything to protect her." Jiang Xingyu declared.

Li Yuming stood up and looked Jiang Xingyu up and down. "You and Luna..."

"Hello, aunty. I'm sorry for being so audacious." Jiang Xingyu held out the gift he had specifically prepared. "Luna is my..."

"It's one-sided!" she quickly shot up and glared at him before he could say anything he shouldn't.

Jiang Xingyu laughed and shrugged. "Well, one-sided or reciprocated, I'm in love with Luna so I will protect her with my life."

Li Yuming happily took the gift from Jiang Xingyu. These two looked like they were always playfully teasing each other but they were perfect for each other and it was so amazing to watch. It was already so satisfying to witness one daughter fall in love. Now that it was both of them, she was even more joyful.

Lanni cheerfully stood and jumped into Ji Xiehan's embrace. "I missed you, my love."

Xiehan lowered his head and kissed her on the forehead. "I missed you even more. How are you doing my love?"

"Everything's so boring without you," Lanni complained.

"Is she saying that we are boring?" Luna asked, puzzled by the sudden display of affection that they were being made to watch.

"These two are always displaying their affection. Don't they ever get tired of it? They don't even check the situation before they start kissing and hugging." Jiang Xingyu seconded.

"So what if we display our affection? Don't you do it all the time too?" Lanni peeked at them from Xiehan's chest.

"When do we ever..." Luna was inarticulate. What was there for her and Jiang Xingyu to display?

"Don't you fight all the time? That's your way of displaying your affection."

"You're impossible." Luna wanted to walk away but she bumped into Jiang Xingyu who was standing in the way and glared at him. "Can't you watch where you're standing?"

"What..? It's you who should watch where you're walking." Jiang Xingyu retorted.

"Do you believe that I can make it so you can't even walk?"

"Well... they're at it again.. Where's the popcorn?" Lanni laughed.

Chapter 220 - This Idiot Can Be Sensible

Xia Luna ignored Jiang Xingyu and went her way. Arguing with him made people think they were having a couple's spat or were displaying their nonexistent affection for each other. She really wanted to beat some sense into everyone.

"Is it just me or is my sister madly in love?" Lanni glanced in the direction that Luna had just left with a laugh.

"I think she's in love!" Li Yuming chirped then looked at Jiang Xingyu. "Once all of this is over, I will give you my blessing. You must take good care of my daughter."

Jiang Xingyu glanced at Ji Xiehan to wordlessly flaunt. He was not the only one who had managed to get into Li Yuming's good books, so he should stop flaunting every time. Ji Xiehan laughed at his silly friend as Jiang Xingyu promised to take care of Luna. He even almost swore on all his ancestors that he would never betray Luna, making everyone laugh.

Luna, who was watching from the first floor's balcony, was speechless. Why was this guy making it sound like there was something between them?

"They are so cute." Lanni laughed to Xiehan, earning a pinch on her waist. "Aw! What was that for?"

"Don't talk so intimately about another couple. You are paying so much attention to them. What about me?" He complained childishly.

Lanni shook her head and buried it on his chest. "You are jealous of this? Are you a little boy?"

"I want you to myself no matter how old I am. Even when we are so old that we have no teeth left in our mouths, I will still want you to myself."

"Uhm... you do realize you are not alone, right?" Even Li Yuming couldn't help complaining.

"Say that again, aunty. It's impossible with these lovebirds. They don't care about our eyes no matter how many times we complain." Jiang Xingyu was relieved that someone was on his side, finally.

"Who is complaining? Speak for yourself." Li Yuming abandoned his side mercilessly. "I'm only indirectly gushing about how much my daughter and son-in-law love each other. Isn't it an excellent thing?"

Ji Xiehan and Lanni burst into laughter.

Jiang Xingyu was speechless. Just when he was starting to be happy about finally having someone who didn't bully him, his mother-in-law joined them.

Never mind. If bullying him made people happy, he didn't mind it if his future mother-in-law joined them. As long as she was not against him getting together with her daughter.

The happy moments only lasted a short while. That was because everyone soon got back to work. When Madam Jiang found out about Luna's predicament, even she joined them in searching for evidence to prove her innocence.

Lanni and Xiehan were going to retrieve the 'perfume bottle' USB drive. When she realized that she had been busted, Luna had no choice and had left it in Paul's house since she knew that she might be searched and lose it in the process. This time, they would retrieve it using legal means.

Li Yuming was going to make sure no one played tricks; and investigate Paul's wife. Madam Jiang and Jiang Xingyu would assess the situation and find the evidence against the real murderer. Just like she already did, they had all their suspicions locked on Li Xiyan. They only needed to find out who she used to commit the crime and get evidence against them.

As Xia Luna watched everyone share roles and let her do nothing but tell them everything she knew and wait for the good news, she realized just how many people she had around her that cared about her. So it wasn't just Cheng Yu that cared about her all along. So many other people did. Her sister, her brother-in-law, Jiang Xingyu, Madam Jiang and now her mother too. And... Luna thought of someone and felt all the strength leave her body.

"What happened?" Madam Jiang was sitting next to Luna so she was the first to realize that something was wrong with her.

After she pointed it out, everyone around the table looked at Luna too, with worry all over their faces.

"Now that I'm not allowed to leave the city, I can no longer pay my dad a visit? The doctor said he might wake up soon." In actual fact, visiting him was not her only concern. She was also bothered by the fact that the hearing would not happen soon. Her father might wake up before it was done and he would be so worried... seeing his condition relapse just after waking up from such a long coma...

Probably there wouldn't even be anything to see. He might die from the shock as soon as the news reached his ears.

Silence engulfed the table. There was no way they could convince the police to let a suspect of murder leave the city. It was already good enough that she had been released on bail.

"How about..." Jiang Xingyu started, and everyone looked at him. "How about we transfer Uncle Xia to a hospital in B City? We can also get the best doctors to take care of him and that way, Luna would not

have to go to Lakeside City to see him. At the same time, he would be safer the farther he is from Li Xiyan."

A long spell of silence followed. Jiang Xingyu frowned and started wondering whether he had said something wrong when Madam Jiang burst into laughter.

"What's so funny?"

At this question, everyone laughed too.

"So this idiot does have brains. He can actually say something sensible." Ji Xiehan patted his friend's back teasingly. Everyone laughed and joked at Jiang Xingyu's expense.

After being made fun of, Jiang Xingyu actually arranged for Xia Hanchen to be transferred to Hillside Hospital in B City on the same day. It was now easier for Xia Luna to visit him.

For a moment, everything was going well. But that moment did not last long. It was merely the final calm before a raging storm struck.

The unforgettable tragedy happened on Tuesday, 1st November.