

Chapter 311 - Hand Under Skirt

"Hello, CEO Jiang." Luna greeted him distantly.

"Pfft." Si Yulin chuckled. "Little sister-in-law is too adorable."

Luna raised an eyebrow. What did she call her?

Jiang Xingyu shot a glare at Si Yulin and the latter shut up. He then looked at Luna. "Don't listen to her nonsense."

Cheng Yu and Luna exchanged glances and merely smiled. Rumor had it that Si Yulin and Jiang Xingyu were close friends. It turned out to be true! After all, he seemed to have told her that he was pursuing Luna.

"I see... my little brother Jiang here has not managed to win the beauty yet! How is that possible? Aren't you too slow?"

"Yulin!" Jiang Xingyu roared.

"Alright! I will not tease you anymore." She laughed, making Luna think that her views had been turned upside down. Who would have thought that the overbearing Si Yulin was actually so playful in private?

Meanwhile, Cheng Yu wondered how they got so close. Some people were fond of shipping the two of them. After all, despite the age gap, Si Yulin was still very beautiful and elegant. She would be a perfect match with Jiang Xingyu. Luckily, their relationship was like that of siblings.

Luna took out her laptop and the negotiation started.

Si Yulin took a look at the program and cast a glance at Jiang Xingyu. "How about I let him deal with this?"

Luna nodded in acknowledgement, but before he took a look, she sternly warned, "Do not deliberately pull strings for me."

Jiang Xingyu raised an eyebrow curiously. "don't you want to snag the deal?" Wasn't her warning equal to telling him that she did not want to get it?

Luna looked at him seriously. "I want to get the deal, but not because the big boss and I know each other on a personal level. It should be because my application qualifies to collaborate with Star Art International."

At the side, Si Yulin leaned over to whisper to Cheng Yu, "No wonder Big Boss Jiang is so smitten with her. It turns out she is an ambitious young woman who keeps her private life and her business apart."

Cheng Yu smiled and said nothing of it. She was part of the discussion too, so she did not gossip with Si Yulin too much.

"Star Art International has its own software production team which has so far developed two comic apps. What makes you think that your app, Xiayu Comics, will stand out?"

Luna launched the application on the laptop. "As you can see, navigating through the tabs is easy and smooth, the user interface is excellent and the comics can automatically be translated to whatever language the reader would like. Also..."

Luna and Cheng Yu explained everything about the application fluently, impressing both Jiang Xingyu and Si Yulin. They did not find the need to hide any important points because this was Star Art International—they did not need to worry about anything. There were many cases about companies who rejected software only to pirate the idea and launch it secretly. However, they knew that neither Jiang Xingyu nor Si Yulin could do such a sneaky thing.

In the end, the two of them discussed a little before Si Yulin turned to the girls. "Since you have such a complete idea, why do you still need to collaborate with a company? Why didn't you start your own app studio instead?"

Luna glanced at Cheng Yu, who spoke up. "That's majorly because we lack adequate manpower and funds."

"What if I help you start one?" Jiang Xingyu offered. "We can be partners, and I will provide manpower and funds. I can also help you steal... ahem... I mean, poach, a few comic artists from Star Arat International. In exchange, I will be a main shareholder."

The girls exchanged looks. Was he really the boss of Star Art International? Instead of signing the deal that would benefit the company, he was instead helping outsiders use the company's resources? But then again, there was nothing to lose on his part.

He would, on the contrary, gain profit from the app studio.

Si Yulin cleared her throat. "President Jiang is right. You girls are in the wrong place. If you let Star Art International launch this application, you will only gain 40% of the income as the producers and Xiao Yu would gain 45% of the income earned by her comics."

On the other hand, if the two of you launched it on your own, you would earn the full 100% and you can set up your own terms about the comics. Isn't that a better deal?" Naturally, she knew that the profit from one app was not enough to lure Jiang Xingyu. He was only grabbing this chance to work side by side with the beauty. Hence, she naturally helped him convince her.

Luna could not come to a decision immediately. "My partner and I need some time to think about it."

"Take your time." Si Yulin did not push it.

Just like that, the collaboration that they had taken so much time to negotiate had somewhat turned into a different matter altogether.

Si Yulin had another meeting to attend. However, Jiang Xingyu did not have any intention to leave her office. Realizing the situation, she sent him a wink and stood up. "Xiao Yu, why don't we have a little chat?"

Cheng Yu's cheeks flushed as she figured out what Si Yulin was getting at. "Alright, CEO Si."

When the two of them left, it was just Luna and Jiang Xingyu left.

She stood up, preparing to flee but just as her hands connected with the doorknob, a bigger hand pressed onto the door and locked it.

"What is that all about?" She turned to ask the man.

"I missed you." As soon as his words were out, his lips pressed down on hers. He only stopped slightly to take a breath. "You look so alluring in suits. It makes me want to strip them off you."

"You better not." She warned.

"Oh yeah? Watch me.." His hand was under her skirt as soon as his words were out.

"Jiang Xingyu!" She gritted her teeth.

The man's hand easily found its way to her panties as he pressed her against the wall. "Do you know how you sound right now?"

She didn't want to hear his answer but he said it anyway. "You sound just like you did that night... when I had you against the wall of the shower compartment."

"You bastard!" Her breathing was heavy and she bit her lower lip as he fondled with her knickers. She pushed him off her. "We can't... not here."

He stopped and looked into her eyes. "Does that mean we could if we were in my office?"

She scowled at him. "That's not what I mean. Xingyu, we talked about this."

"Of course." They had talked about it, but he simply couldn't keep his hands to himself. It would have been easier to resist his urges before anything happened between them but now that it did, it was impossible to stop himself from wanting her every time he saw her. What was worse, he knew just how much she wanted him as well, and that made it even harder to bear.

"CEO Xia, I can't believe we will really be business partners." He tried to change the topic.

"I'm not a CEO." She laughed.

"You are not one, yet, but you will be soon." His voice was still hoarse as he spoke.

"You know, the initial plan was to launch a studio in the first place. Xiao Yu suggested naming it 'Moonlight Studios'.

"And then?" He tried to pull away from it before he could lose control once again.

"Well, you know what. We could not afford to give our studio or the application the publicity it requires. But now that we have you on our side, that is taken care of."

He regarded her lips as they parted and the more she spoke, the more her mouth seemed to invite her for a kiss—which he accepted gladly.

Before she could lose herself to the passion, she pushed him gently. "You may have to practice a little more self-control, CEO Jiang."

The man ran a hand through his hair. Although he so badly wanted to continue, he could only let her go.

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Cheng Yu went to class while Luna went back home. That evening, they mulled over the ins and out and decided to accept Jiang Xingyu's offer in the end.

Of course, Cheng Yu would grab the opportunity to make fun of her. "Did you and CEO Jiang rekindle your passion when we left you two alone?"

"Don't speak nonsense." She ignored her friend.

"What was that? Are you going to pretend with me as well?" Cheng Yu chuckled. "When the two of you left the office, his hair was disheveled and your lips looked more plump. It was obvious just how intensely you kissed each other. In fact, I'm surprised your clothes are still in good shape."

Luna cringed at her friend. "Why do you have so much to gossip regarding Jiang Xingyu and me? why don't you tell me about Cedric, huh? I saw him checking you out in the elevator."

Cheng Yu recoiled with flushed cheeks when she heard the name. "I'll just shut up and not spew nonsense anymore."

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The following day, Lanni was rejuvenated when she went back to work. After getting a little close to Feng Ci and giving the latter the impression that she was going to get rid of Lanni, she had gained her support.

She then casually asked Feng Ci what type of business she was collaborating with Xing Han.

The woman had only stated three words: "the other business". However, that was enough for Lanni.

Her goal all along had been to expose Xing Real Estate. However, if she were to drag the Feng family down with it, it would be even better. Then not only would she achieve her goal and have her dad released, she would also help Xiehan get rid of a rival while at it.

Hence, it was not surprising that she was in a jubilant mood.

"What's the good news?" Xing Han dropped by her office as usual, grinning from ear to ear.

Lanni looked at him meaningfully. "The fly I've been trying to swat for the past two lifetimes is finally about to die. Isn't this the best news ever?"

Xing Han scanned the girl with curiosity written all over his face. He did not know what she was talking about but from what he had gathered when he investigated her, this girl seemed to be a little too close to Xiehan.

Could it be that she really had feelings for the man and the so-called fly she was trying to swat was Xiehan's fiancée?

Thinking about it, it was not such a bad thing.

Xiaomu had rejected him but he had heard that Xiehan's fiancée was incredibly beautiful as well. If he dumped her for Xiaomu, then he might try to get her. After all, she would be devastated if her love broke their engagement, and heartbroken girls were easier to get.

Little would Xing Han ever imagine that Xiaomu and Xiehan's fiancée were the same person.

Lanni joyously resumed her work.

In the evening, she met up with Luna.

The latter told her all about the studio they were going to start.

"Congratulations. That is much better than one app." She gushed. After all, Luna could create several more in just a short time. Her current favorite game was one that Luna had developed, even though it was a dummy that had not been launched into the application market yet.

They talked about it for a while before Luna asked, "You called me because...?"

Lanni took out her phone and played a video. She had gathered evidence of Xing Real Estate being involved in drug trafficking.

"You're awesome!" Luna threw her hands around her. "You finally did it!"

Lanni was on the verge of crying from how happy she was. "Things are finally going well for us, Luna.. We will finally see our dad soon."



## Chapter 313 - More Than A Pinch(1)

The girls embraced for a while. After everything that had happened in the last few months, they truly deserved to be happy.

Luna pulled away after a while, looking at her sister longingly. "There is one thing missing in all this."

"Don't even mention it." Lanni groaned in defeat.

"Are we really going to investigate what happened back then? Maybe then we can understand where the misunderstanding came from."

Lanni thought about it and shook her head. "Luna, some things are merely catalysts. There may have been several underlying issues between them, including our grandma and all. Even if we were to solve this matter, who knows, another misunderstanding may simply appear between them."

Luna was dissatisfied but it was true.

"So, it is best to let them fight it out. Maybe then they will come to their senses and rekindle their love." Lanni concluded.

"They are acting like little kids. Urgh... even little kids don't act this silly." Luna groaned a complaint.

"Forget about them. Let's get back to business."

Luna didn't find it enjoyable to continue talking about her parents' love life either, so she listened to Lanni's analysis of the situation. The latter had pretty much gotten incriminating evidence. However, as long as Xing Han had a meticulous brain, he could possibly weasel his way out by pushing all the blame onto his underlings.

"I have figured out a way to gather incriminating evidence against XIng Han. He will not be able to worm out of it no matter how hard he tries."

"Tell me." Luna was curious.

"The man is exceptionally careful and lets his pawns handle everything. However, there are special instances where he gets the deed done himself." She explained.

"And that is... with extremely special partners?" Luna guessed.

"Bingo. And will you ever guess who one of these special cases is?" Lanni teasingly raised an eyebrow.

"The Feng family?" Luna guessed after thinking for a second.

"Geez... they say that twins are telepathic. I didn't believe it was true until now that I see it with my own eyes." A male voice suddenly filled the air.

Luna reflexively grabbed a floor lamp while Lanni prepared herself to throw her phone at the intruder. When they saw who it was, they glared at him.

The man laughed throatily. "When we get married, I will not have floor lamps in our home. Just in case you get mad at me and want to hit me with one."

"What the hell are you doing here? How long have you been standing there?" Luna asked in a single breath, ignoring his nonsense.

Lanni looked like she wanted to murder him. "How dare you sneak into people's homes and eavesdrop on them? That's rude!"

Jiang XIngyu walked in with ease. "How is it my fault? I pressed the bell for ages and you did not respond. Then I punched in the passcode and came in. The two of you were too engrossed in each other's hug to notice me."

Lanni scanned him and when she was convinced that he was not lying, she looked in her sister's direction. "Why is it so easy for other people to access my apartment? It's alright if it's a friend but if it were an outsider..."

Luna did not need to hear the rest of the sentence. "I will upgrade the security so everyone who comes here will need biometric access."

"That can be cracked." Jiang Xingyu spoke even though no one asked him.

"Yes, it happens, but not if it has been developed by me." Luna interjected.

Regarding that point, he had nothing more to say.

"What are you doing here anyway?" Lanni asked.

"I had a feeling that my girlfriend was here so I came to pick her up."

"Who the heck is your girlfriend?" Luna shot him daggers.

Lanni shifted her gaze between the two of them and grinned. Did they finally start dating? "Ow!" she rubbed her forehead with a frown when it was suddenly flicked.

"Stop thinking nonsense. This guy must be addicted to seeking attention." Luna warned, sending another glare in Jiang Xingyu's direction.

The man was about to say something but when he met her don't-you-dare look, he kept it to himself. "I couldn't find Xiehan and he is not picking his calls either. It is an urgent matter and I guessed that he would be here so I came to try my luck."

Lanni raised an eyebrow in confusion. "He is not here, and he has not been answering my calls either. I figured he's busy. Have you checked with his parents?"

"They haven't seen a wisp of his hair all day and neither has his assistant."

"That's strange." Lanni was pondering over it when the front door opened. They all looked over and indeed, the man they were looking for walked in, an air of tiredness all over him.

Lanni stood up immediately and helped him take off his jacket. "My love, where have you been? You look so exhausted."

"I had a meeting with an associate and after that, I had to deal with several matters." He slumped into the closest couch to the door.

Lanni helped him take his shoes and socks off then headed to the master bedroom. When she returned, she stood at the entrance of the hallway with a hair tie, easing her long hair into a bun as she looked at him. "I have helped you run a bath. Go and take a relaxing bath while I prepare dinner."

The man nodded and stood up, completely ignoring his friend and his future sister-in-law.

"She looks just like a dutiful little wife." Jiang Xingyu scratched his chin in thought. "When her man is tired, she pampers him so much that he forgets all about the uninvited guests at home."

As though thinking of something, he looked in Luna's direction.

"Don't you even dare to think of it." She warned even before he could get the first word out. She knew herself all too well. Even if she actually got married in the end, her husband would have to stop dreaming if he expected her to act like a dutiful wife.. It would already be good enough if she didn't annoy the hell out of him after a tiresome day of work.

## Chapter 314 - More Than A Pinch(2)

Lanni decided to prepare quick dishes since her boyfriend was famished and she didn't want him to be hungry for much longer. When she was done, Xiehan had finished taking a bath and was discussing with Jiang Xingyu while Luna ignored them and played a game on her phone. The four of them sat at the dining table and started eating.

Lanni and Xiehan were sitting next to each other so naturally, Jiang Xingyu slotted himself next to Luna.

"When is your celebratory dinner?" Lanni asked halfway through the meal.

"What celebratory dinner?" Luna was confused since her sister's gaze was on her.

"to signify the opening of your studio. Don't tell me you are not planning anything?" She gave them a meaningful eye.

Jiang Xingyu took a sip of freshly blended fruit juice and dabbed a cotton towel at the corner of his lips. "We have already decided on the location of the studio as well as all the important things to get it rolling. However, we decided to let the ribbon-cutting ceremony wait until everything is in order."

"What ribbon-cutting ceremony?" Luna cast a sidelong glance at the man beside her.

"How can we not have one?" He shot a look back at her.

"I want to be as low-profile as possible, thank you very much." Luna argued.

"That is possible... but how the hell will you gain publicity then? Don't you want to market your apps?" He countered.

"A ribbon-cutting ceremony doesn't have to be part of it."

The debate went on for a long time, until Lanni reminded them that their food would get cold if they did not start eating. They paused to eat, both looking eager to continue arguing.

Lanni shook her head with a grin at their urge to fight. Just how cute would they be as a couple? She could already picture them arguing over trivial matters like what kind of material they should use for the curtains in their home.

Luna felt chills down her spine when she noticed her sister's meaningful gaze. Beneath those eyes, there couldn't exist anything but endless mischief.

When they were done eating, Lanni tapped her sister on the shoulder. "Why don't we go and have a chat? We can let the men discuss their important matter.

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The guys went to the living room to start discussing, while the girls went to Lanni's room.

"That was one huge interruption. You were telling me how to get Xing Han caught in the mater." Luna started as soon as she sat on the couch.

"Why don't we talk about you and Jiang Xingyu first?" Lanni teased.

"Important matters first." There was an obvious flush to her cheeks, making Lanni want to tease her for ages. Her sister looked adorable when she blushed!

However, the sooner they completed the task, the better it would be, so Lanni told her all about her plan.

"You are saying that I should pretend to be you and go with him to dinner, while you go back to the company?" Luna's eyes widened when she heard the first part of the plan.

"Yes. He is going to negotiate with Old Master Feng and Feng Ci tomorrow over dinner. I would have gone with him and then later rushed back to the company, but I cannot because of two reasons.

First, that man always has someone watching over me when I'm not at work. He still doesn't trust me completely.

Second, the goods may be moved out of the storage room tomorrow at night. I will not be able to get hold of them if I don't do it at the same time as the negotiation. Any later than that and I risk getting caught.

She needed the actual goods as part of the evidence. As soon as she got a hold of the exact location, she would contact a detective sent over by Galaxis.

Luna thought about it and felt that it was the best way to handle it. Besides, she would be more confident than Lanni if she were to attend a meeting with a bug on her. The latter might be a little nervous and in turn, arouse suspicion.

Once they had decided what to do, they went back to the living room, where the guys were currently watching a game on the television.

"You look relieved." Xiehan observed as he pulled Lanni to his lap.

"I am." She went ahead to briefly explain the current situation. Recalling that they were not alone, she tried to pull away from his lap. "Xiehan, we are not alone."

"So what? That doesn't stop me from hugging my girlfriend, does it?" He let out a deep laugh and kissed her cheek.

Jiang Xingyu witnessed their actions and burnt with jealousy. In the next moment, he pulled the off-guard Luna and she landed right smack on his lap.

"What are you doing?" She was startled and tried to get off.

However, the man had expected it, so he locked his hands around her abdomen. She reached and pinched his thigh viciously. The pain shot through his skin, making him hiss. Gritting his teeth, he checked to see that Xlehan and his girlfriend were not watching, then pinched Luna's butt.

"How dare you?" She was startled by his action.

He glared down at her and lowered his voice to one only she could hear. "If you move, I will tell the whole world that I have done more than just pinch your backside."

"You asshole." She harrumphed.

"What? Haven't I?" He breathed against her left ear teasingly. "In fact, I very much want to do it again."

Luna's face dyed red. In just a short time, this man had turned into such a pervert.

Knowing that he might really do as he threatened, she didn't dare to try and leave.

It was not that she wanted to leave in first place, anyway. She liked the feeling of being on his lap after all.. It was just that their relationship was a little too awkward at the moment. What identity was she using to act so intimately with him?



"It's getting late. I have to go back and discuss a few matters with Xiao Yu." Luna finally used an excuse that Jiang Xingyu could not refute. While he was still thinking about what she had said, she grabbed the opportunity to slide off his lap.

The man frowned but couldn't do anything about it.

On the other hand, Lanni's ears perked up when she overheard them. She smiled in Jiang Xingyu's direction. "Jiang Xingyu, could I trouble to drop my sister off again?"

"I can..."

"You can count on me." Jiang Xingyu hurriedly snagged the chance before she could say that she could go on her own.

Lanni smiled sweetly, sending a meaningful glance at her sister. before giving Jiang Xingyu more instructions. "Please make sure she is in bed and warm enough."

The man grinned at Luna who was blushing awkwardly. "Will do. I will make sure she is warm all night." He ignored her glare and took her hand to complete the mission.

"You are getting so much into your role as cupid, aren't you?" Xiehan punched Lanni's face when they were on their own.

"Isn't it fun?" She laughed heartily. "My sister may be intelligent in most aspects but she is a dimwit when it comes to matters of the heart. She loves him so much but she has doubts about her feelings, so she really does need the push to make her realize it."

He pinched her face. "Are you sure it's not because you simply enjoy playing a matchmaker?"

"Would it hurt if you didn't expose me? I'm ignoring you!" She harrumphed.

Xiehan chuckled and stood up with her in his arms. "Let's see if you still ignore this."

"Ignore what?" She answered her own question when she realized where he was headed. Fine, you win.

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The following day.

Luna donned the wig that Lanni had previously used and they wore identical outfits. To make sure Luna was familiar with everything, and to buy Lanni time to find a way to break into the store, Luna went to work as Jiang Xiaomu.

As soon as she arrived, Xing Han, was as usual, flirtatious. She scanned Luna from head to toe. "Little Mumu, you look a little pale today. Are you unwell?" He looked worried. "If you are unwell, why don't you take a sick leave? Your health is more important."

Luna spent most of her time indoors, so her skin was paler than her sister's, Besides, she was less jovial and putting on a fake smile was not something she could easily do. Hence, she looked Xing Han up and down. "It's just because my boyfriend is very bad, so I'm so tired. Do I need a sick leave for that?" She yawned.

Xing Han looked like he was on the verge of exploding. He gritted his teeth and said nothing in the end, leaving and banging the door shut behind him.

Luna smiled when she got rid of the man. Actually she was not lying. Someone was indeed very bad. Only that he was not her boyfriend. However, that man had terrorized her all night. He had only let her off when she was so worn out that she collapsed weakly against his chest. Even so, he looked like he had obviously not had enough. She was so not going to let herself be in an enclosed room with him again.

That evening.

The meeting was held in a small conference room of The Emerald Grand Hotel.

Luna entered the small conference room, carrying Xing Han's laptop and documents. The man sat down and she sat on the same side of the table as him, thoughtfully keeping a certain distance from him.

Old Master Feng soon arrived with Feng Ci in tow.

Although Luna hated the woman just as much as her sister hated her, she had to force a fake smile and pretend to cheer up when she saw her. She swore to punch a dent into Feng Ci's pretentious face once this was over.

In this deal, she didn't have much to do since they had already discussed the details. In fact, her presence wasn't needed. Xing Han had only had her accompany him for formality.

Hence, she did not need to worry about speaking too much and consequently, she would not risk exposing her identity.

The meeting went smoothly, and her camera captured all of it. She had it installed in her brooch and from her position, it could capture everyone in the scene.

It seemed like luck was on their side, because Xing Han explained everything in detail. Hence, it went without saying that she had managed to gather irrefutable evidence against him.

Her phone vibrated, and she apologized for the distraction before her slender fingers reached to turn it off. Before she did, she swept a glance at the screen and saw that Lanni had sent a thumbs up emoticon.

This was her signal that everything had been handled on her side. She pursed her lips to prevent a smile from surfacing, then looked in Xing Han's direction uncomfortably. "I'm sorry, sir. May I leave for a moment?"

Xing Han waved his hand to let her leave. She thanked him and stood up, but just as she exited the room, he caught sight of the edge of her wig behind her ear. She had just experienced a wardrobe malfunction.

"Stop right there!" He hollered.

Luna froze on the spot and turned inquisitively.

"Li Lanni. Did you think you hid yourself well enough?" He mocked.

At first, it was indeed not suspicious. However, when he investigated Lanni with the intention to pursue her, he had found out that the girl had disappeared. Coincidentally, the day of her disappearance was the same day as that of Jiang Xiaomu's sudden appearance. If that was a coincidence, what about the fact that they looked alike?

Their disposition was different, and so was the color of their hair. Even her makeup skills were so excellent that he would never have recognized her. However, did they really think they left no loopholes?

A few days before Li Lanni disappeared and Jiang Xiaomu appeared, Li Lanni and Ji Xiehan had tried to contact a certain cosmetic brand, with the intention of purchasing a human skin mask.. Although they did not buy it in the end, it still explained a lot.

## Chapter 316 - Nothing To Grumble About

Luna swallowed a gulp. At the same time, Old Master Feng and Feng Ci had been shocked into rocks.

The middle-aged man was on the verge of having a heart attack. He knew the girl named Li Lanni all too well. That little b\*tch was responsible for his failure to grasp Feng Ji International. Not to mention, she had also charmed the man that his daughter loved, the only man who would have helped his family regain control over the company.

That witty young woman was his greatest nemesis. He had been trying to find ways to get rid of her but was unable to, and now Xing Han was saying that Jiang Xiaomu was that woman?!

"What are you talking about? What do you mean she is Li Lanni?" Feng Ci almost screeched in shock.

"She is an impostor." Xing Han gritted his teeth. "I bet she is up to something else too."

"Catch her!" Old Master Feng roared.

"You don't need to tell me that." Xing Han snapped his finger and Luna was surrounded.

She could have run away when they were still in shock, but she didn't. Aside from the fact that she would rather fight than run, she knew that Lanni would arrive soon. If she ran away and let Xing Han and the Feng father and daughter run after her, it would be hard for them to be caught together.

Hence, she put on an act instead. Tears washed her face almost instantly. "... I don't know what you're talking about!"

"What are you pretending for?!" Old Master Feng wanted nothing more than to slap her fake face swollen.

Feng Ci was still in disbelief, laughing at herself especially when she remembered that she had tried to suck up to this piece of trash. To think that she had been the one to reveal many details of this deal, thinking that Jiang Xiaomu would get rid of Li Lanni for her. Now it turned out that Jiang Xiaomu was a fake?! She was actually her foe in disguise?!

Xing Han looked at the girl whose hands were trembling at the side as her beautiful little face soaked in tears like she was under the rain. He had the sudden urge to embrace her...

He scolded himself back to his senses. Little traitor! "Lock her up!" He ordered his men.

Just as Luna prepared to launch the first kick, hurried footsteps filled the corridor then Lanni barged into the room first. A second later, the room flooded with policemen.

"Get her!" Xing Han yelled at his men as soon as he realized what the situation was. One of his men pressed a gun against Luna's head. They now had her hostage.

Just as the man was about to let out a chuckle of triumph, he felt a cold sensation on his neck. Then came a cold voice from behind him. "Harm a single hair on my sister's head and I will let you hold your boss's death anniversary a year from now."

"Miss, you can't..." one of the policemen tried to warn Lanni as the others split between capturing the Feng father and daughter and saving Luna.

Lanni pressed the fruit knife into the man's neck. "It's self defence!"

Seeing that their boss's life was in danger, the man didn't know whether or not to hurt Luna. One of the policemen used this lapse to pull Luna to safety.

Lanni ran over and hugged her sister as soon as the men had been disarmed and arrested. "Are you alright?"

Luna nodded profusely. "I couldn't fight." Or else she might have lost the tiny camera. It was merely the size of an insect, and she would not find it easily if she dropped it while fighting. If that happened, all their effort would have been rendered useless.

Lanni sighed in relief. "Luckily, we're both alright."

She then retrieved the tiny camera from Luna and gave it to the detective. "This is substantial evidence."

The man nodded and kept it, then walked out of the room.

"I've been meaning to ask, why... why are there two of you?" Xing Han stared at the two identical women even as his hands got cuffed.

Luna scoffed at him like he was a fool. "Did you sleep through all of your Biology classes?"

"You are twins! You are so identical that you can successfully impersonate the same person and both pass off as her!" He finally observed as he got dragged away by the police. He looked in Luna's direction. "Just so you know, I like you more. I have fallen in love with you at first sight...ow!"

The police officer slapped the back of his head to shut him up and dragged him away.

Lanni sighed when it was just the two of them left in the private room. "He still thinks Xiaomu exists and that we are impersonating her."

"Forget it. We better get out of here."

She pulled the wig off her head and asked Lanni for makeup remover wipes. After wiping her face clean, she tossed the wipes into a trashcan at the side.

"How am I going to get rid of this identity?" Lanni asked, feeling troubled.

"Why don't we celebrate the completion of our mission first? We can ask aunty for help regarding that."

"You're right." They exited the hotel happily.

Once they were in the car, Lanni remembered one part of the mission. "Where's the other camera?"

Luna retrieved it from beside a button on her shirt. "Why did you need two?"

"The mission was merely to get evidence and probably hand it over to Galaxis, but since it would have been too dangerous, we involved the police." She massaged her temples. "I didn't do anything wrong—

since Galaxis' main aim was to send him to prison either way—but I need two copies of everything in case they ask for it. Besides, he could use his connections to destroy the evidence so we need backup. Sigh, do you think the old man will grumble about me not waiting for instructions before dealing with Xing Han?"

Luna shook her head as she pulled out of the parking. "You are part of Galaxis, so no matter what method you use to destroy him, the credit will be theirs.. The old man has nothing to complain about."

#### Chapter 317 - Revert Back To Her True Self

Luckily, Luna was right. The old boss was slightly dissatisfied about Lanni involving the police. However, Lanni had retrieved and submitted more evidence aside from the recording. Since there was sufficient irrefutable proof, the man would be given the death penalty, so he didn't have much to complain about.

Hence, he had Flynn send Xia Hanchen back to B City.

The man and his daughters were so happy to reunite that they spent a whole week celebrating.

Madam Jiang decided to remain silent about Lanni's alias. If everyone found out that it was a fake identity, she would handle the matter. If no one bothered about it, it would be the best outcome.

A few weeks later, on 19th December, Xing Han was sentenced to death while all his accomplices—including Old Master Feng and Feng Ci—were sentenced to 20 years in prison.

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20th December.

Lanni called Xiehan over to have a few drinks together.

"I've gotten quite used to this apartment. I don't know whether or not I should go back home." She sighed, massaging a glass of red wine in her hand.

"You can stay if you want to, you know." He ran his thumb against her cheek. "It's all up to you. You can occasionally pay aunty a visit or go home for dinner a few times every week, but stay here for the most part."

"It's actually nice to be in my own apartment." She smiled. "But I can't help feeling that something is missing."

Xiehan thought about it for a moment. "You had been acting as someone else for such a long time. Perhaps you're still finding it hard to revert back to your true self."

She couldn't deny that, especially since for some reason, she had not dyed her hair back to black. She preferred the ashen blonde look even though she looked prettier with her original color.

Xiehan could pretty much make a guess but to avoid making her feel pressured, he remained silent about it to let her figure it out on her own.

When Lanni gave Li Yuming a call and told her about her decision to remain in her apartment, the latter had nothing against her decision and insisted on sending over a team of bodyguards. Since it was for her own safety, Lanni didn't reject them. She hung up the call after making some small talk with her mother for a while.

"I feel like she's becoming easier to converse with lately." She said through a chuckle as she connected her phone to the charging cable.

Xiehan raised an eyebrow at her. "Perhaps she's just starting to accept the fact that her baby is all grown up and can make her own decisions."

Lanni slotted herself next to him with a laugh. "Now that you mention that. Why is it usually hard for mothers to accept that their daughters are growing up?"

Xiehan scratched his chin when he recalled how his sister had been pampered even when she was an adult. If she made a mistake, their parents would say something about her being young and not knowing what she was doing. It had taken a rude awakening to make them know that they were responsible for ruining her life by indulging her too much. On the other hand, it had been different for him. He had been expected to be excellent, mature and flawless since he was a little boy. He had barely been allowed to be like other kids. Even the friends he hung out with had to be from families his parents considered 'good enough'. "It's different for sons, I guess."

Lanni frowned. She knew about his childhood, so she was aware that if Xiehan's aunt didn't take him away, his parents might have just brought him up into a robot. "If I ever have a child, whether it's a son or a daughter, I'll let him enjoy his childhood. I mean, everyone wants his child to be the best, but we can't just force them to live the kind of life they don't want."

He pulled her into his embrace with a smile. "You would make an excellent mother. Why don't we talk about making some?"

"You hooligan! I didn't say I wanted kids!" She wriggled out of his embrace and fled to the kitchen. Discussing such a topic with a man was dangerous!"

The man laughed at how scared she looked. Of course, he was just teasing her.

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Meanwhile.

With Jiang Xingyu's help, Moonlight Studios had successfully entered the software industry.

They had successfully hired several comic artists, most of whom were from Star Art International. Hence, the first application—XiaYu Comics—had been released. Within just a few days, the app had tens

of thousands of downloads, thousands of positive reviews and from the looks of things, it wouldn't be long before they regained the funds they had used in creation and marketing and started earning profit.

Luna cheerfully read through the statistics. "As expected, your comic is such a hit!" She chirped.

They had used the first page and synopsis of Cheng Yu's comic to market the app and it drew in new users like a vortex!

Cheng Yu was flattered. "Luna, you are exaggerating. The app is already so great that no matter what comic was used, it would still gain millions of new users."

Luna had a pleased smile on her face as she took up her Ipad to continue reading the comic. It was not just because Cheng Yu was her friend that she was reading it. The comic, "Falling in love with a heartless devil", was so addictive that she could barely put her Ipad down. The concept of the story was original and the art was perfect. It was currently the most popular comic on the app with readers always bugging her for the next update.

Talking of the next update, Cheng Yu yawned and stretched her limbs. "I'll go and take a nap now. When I wake up, I'll start drawing the next episode."

"Go ahead." Luna smiled. Finally, they both had a source of income. It had just happened at the right time since Cheng Yu's training period at Star Art International was drawing to a close.. The girl would have more time to focus on her comics and the studio.

Chapter 318 - Out Of Character?

Luna was wondering whether or not to take a nap when the doorbell rang. This time, she was not spooked so instead of grabbing a floor lamp, she checked the monitor and was pleasantly surprised when she saw who the uninvited guest was.

"Come on in!" She cheerfully ushered him in as soon as she opened the door. She didn't realize what she was doing until she launched herself into his arms all so naturally.

"Are you excited to see me?" Jiang Xingyu tapped her forehead as though praising her for being a good girl.

"Is it too late to pretend to be annoyed?" She pulled a pouty face, earning a chuckle from him.

"We both know that you couldn't wait for me to come over, considering how close we are right now." He remarked with a proud expression.

She pulled away from him and went back to sit on the couch.

He sat down next to her. "You look more beautiful than you did the last time we met."

"Are those the kind of lies you use to pick up girls? Just so you know, it's too outdated." She harrumphed.

He chortled at her theatrics. "Just so you know, I don't ever 'pick up girls'. I am only interested in one girl and she is already next to me right now." He then pulled her into his arms, and she did not resist him. On the contrary, she willingly wrapped her arms around his neck when he sat her on his lap. He couldn't help being curious. "You are so different today. You are so cheerful and...active." She was even more active than Lanni, which was strange considering how dull she usually was.

"I'm just in a good mood. Can't I be happy once in a while?" She pinched his face accusingly.

"No, you can't. You can only be happy at all times" He nibbled on her lower lip gently. "And my role is to make sure your happiness never fades."

She laughed at his words as she wrapped her arms around him in a hug. "CEO Jiang, are you aware that you are starting to sound so... romantic? I'm almost falling in love with you!"

He raised an eyebrow in amusement. "You haven't yet?"

"Mmh... let me see." She raised his chin using her thumb and forefinger, then inspected his face inch by inch, running her fingers along it like she was seriously conducting some research. When she was satisfied with the face, she moved down to his neck, rubbing a finger against his bobbing Adams apple then trailing it down his jawline. "You are quite handsome and are good in every aspect. Now that you mention it, you are worth falling in love with."

"Are you drunk?" He inspected her eyeballs. When he saw nothing but her clear, slightly watery gray eyes, he frowned. Since she was not drunk, why was she acting like a drunk?

"I didn't have a sip of alcohol but I may be really drunk." She laughed. "Drunk in love!"

"Uh... who are you, and what did you do to my Luna?" He gazed at her seriously.

Luna didn't understand why she was acting so jumpy either. She had met up with Jiang Xingyu innumerable times but every time, it was him actively seeking her out. She had never been the one to make any move on him but now, not only was she sitting on his lap and grinding against his thighs with her arms around him, but she was also spewing such nonsense!

As though snapping back to her senses, she pulled away and sat next to him, drooping her head like she had suffered an injustice.

"Are you... on your period?" He asked carefully.

She shook her head without lifting it. "It's not that time yet."

He couldn't understand her drastic change of mood so he laughed it off. "Do you want to have a date together? You now, to celebrate the progress of our studio?" He suggested.

"Why not? I don't have much going on anyway." She agreed before she could stop herself. Since she truly didn't have much to do today, she smiled and didn't mind that she had agreed too readily.

"Okay, get changed first. I have already booked the restaurant so I will wait here for you."

Now that he mentioned that, she realized that he was totally dressed up for a date. He even had a bow tie on.

She raised an eyebrow and went to dress up. Soon, she exited her room wearing a short, white dress which was off the shoulders. Although she was pretty much used to wearing high heeled shoes after doing so for a long time, her shoes for the date were not too high for her comfort. She looked beautiful and gentle, her straight hair making her look a little innocent. The look reminded him of the girl she once was before changing into a cold young woman in male disguise.

He stood up and took her hand gently, placing a soft kiss at the back of it. "You look lovely."

She smiled and pulled his neck down, then smacked a soft kiss on his cheek. The intimate gesture took him by surprise but he smiled through it then led her out.

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"How were you so sure that I would agree to go on a date with you?" He asked as she opened the passenger door for her.

"I knew you had no reason to say no." He circled the car to the other side and got in, settling in the driver's seat. If this was another man, she would have scoffed and assumed that he had two dates in mind; so if she said no, he would contact another woman and ask her out.

However, Jiang Xingyu was just so genuine with her that every single one of his actions seemed genuine. He looked honest even when spouting some of those cheesy words that playboys use to hook up with their targets.

The Emerald Grand Hotel wasn't that far, so they arrived within twenty minutes.

"Is there something about this hotel that you guys like?" She wondered why many events had happened here.

"It's a great hotel, just look at the ambiance." He led her in slowly so she would have time to see the interior decor. It was mostly styled in gold and white, and most of the decorations were made of pure gold.

This hotel had many restaurants offering meals from different parts of the world, and the accommodation offered was top notch too. Although having a single meal or spending the night here was likely to put a dent into one's purse, the services were worth the price. Basically, there was nothing to complain about.

They headed to their private room as Jiang Xingyu explained, "By the way, this hotel's previous owner was Lu Shaoting. Have you ever heard of him?"

"Lu Shaoting, the former Vice President of Lu Enterprises? I've heard of him." She sat down on the seat he pulled for her. "No wonder it is such an excellent hotel. I heard everything about that Lu family is awesome.. The new CEO of Lu Enterprises is basically just a young man but he had brought his company to great heights!" She gushed.

## Chapter 319 - A Life Full Of Bliss

The duo ordered their food and soon dug in. At Luna's request, they neither ordered wine nor spicy food. She was in the mood to eat something that was easy on the taste buds and drink something sweet.

They ate peacefully, occasionally feeding each other and toasting the fresh apple juice they had ordered in place of wine.

The red, scented candles burning at the side of the table provided a warm and hypnotizing, romantic environment, and the soft tones reverberating from the grand piano at one end of the room lured one to stand up and dance.

He couldn't hold in the urge anymore, so he stood up and bowed as he held his hand out like a gentleman. "Milady, will you do me the honor and dance with me?"

Her cheeks had a rosy flush to them as her heart skipped a beat. "I know nothing about dancing."

"I will teach you." He offered. Actually, as long as she willingly danced with him, it was alright even if she stepped on his toes. He would gladly nurse them later.

Since he said so, she no longer had any objections. She placed her fair hand in his and tried not to blush as she stood up. His arm wrapped around her waist as he pulled her to a more spacious spot and started teaching her to waltz. It was easier than she thought and within a few minutes, they were waltzing circles around the private room.

"I never thought life could be this blissful..." 'Especially life with a man.' She added in her head. In the past, even when she dated him, romance had not existed in her head. She had only associated such feelings with novels, comics and television series. She had thought it was all a fake emotion that people came up with to entertain viewers. She didn't think it was real and that it would be this sweet when she experienced it on her own.

"From the moment I met you, Luna, I knew I would be the happiest man in the world as long as you are in my life—and I was right. There is nothing else I could ask for."

She gazed into the depth of his eyes, her heart overflowing with warmth when she realized just how sincere his words were. Once again, he meant every single one of them and she could see his love for her written all over his eyes. She couldn't keep doubting herself anymore. "Jiang Xingyu, I have something to tell you." She said in a lowered tone.



He ended the dance since he could tell that she was tired from her deepened breaths and how fast her heart was beating. They sat back down on their chairs. His back was as straight as a rod as he tried to ponder what she could want to say to him. Out of selfishness and his reluctance to ruin this perfect moment, he was even considering interrupting her just in case she was going to say something disheartening.

But then again, perhaps she had something good to say, judging from the current circumstances and her amorous gaze right now. His heart almost raced right out of his chest when she flashed a gentle smile and placed her soft little hand at the back of his hand. How beautiful! He so badly wanted to embrace her and never let go.

"Jiang Xingyu, for the past few weeks..."

She didn't seem to know how to continue her statement, making him chuckle lightly. Her cuteness was off the charts!

"I've..." Before her second word was out, his phone rang. She frowned and wanted to ignore the call and continue speaking, and he wanted her to ignore it too. Alas, the caller was incessant and he thought that it might be an emergency so he picked it.

In the end, his face was filled with gloom and anger when he heard what his assistant had to say.

"What happened? Did something go wrong?" she was concerned.

"Not really. It's just a spoiled brat throwing a tantrum." He sounded annoyed. Since it was related to her as well, he explained, "It's that idiot, Cedric Han. He suddenly raised problems with the second contract which he supposedly didn't realize before."

"What does he want?" She felt troubled. She knew that Cedric was one of those arrogant young masters who were self-centered and cared about nothing but themselves, but she didn't think he would show that side of him so soon—especially since he had been acting all nice and sensible.

"The fool wants us to increase his basic pay tenfold and at the same time, he wants us to alter the terms of contract for him because he is the most special god in the universe and he is doing us a favor. We should give him 70% of his comic's monthly income." He explained sarcastically.

"What the fck is wrong with him?" Luna felt her head hurt. "Why do I have a gut feeling that he is targeting you? He doesn't seem to have any other reason to cause mischief at such a time."

"He really is." He sneered.

Because the comic application was still too new and they did not want to make the authors completely go down with them in case they failed, they had set up a term where an author would have to sign a new contract every time they published a new comic.

Cedric had started updating his new comic in the app and it had gained more than double the number of fans of his first work. Now that it was time for him to sign the contract, he was asking for such astronomical terms. He had even gone as far as to state that if they did not fulfill his wish, he would withdraw his second comic and sell it to a more famous app. Moreover, it didn't sound like a blank threat—he would really do it. How troublesome.

"If he really withdraws his book and publishes it to another app, the loyal fans will search for it by hook or crook and that will make our competitor gain an excellent author as well as tens of thousands of readers from us. This will encourage such horrible behaviour among the other authors. They will keep doing such things once they get too full of themselves." He analyzed.

She thought hard about it and let out a cold smile. "I know how to deal with him."

"You don't need to trouble yourself. I will deal with him since he is doing this to vex me."

She sighed, maintaining her gaze at him. "You can be rest assured, my way to handle it will be the best."

"Then I'll have to trouble you." He no longer insisted since she was sure about what to do.

"It's no trouble." She thought about whether to continue her confession but realizing that the mood had been ruined beyond redemption, she changed her mind. She could do it some other day.

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After finishing their meal, they left the restaurant. Luna didn't know what had possessed her brain until she woke up the next morning in his arms, wearing nothing but a smile.

"I really am an idiot.." She cursed herself.

#### Chapter 320 - Doting Husband

She slid off the bed but before she moved a step, a hand grabbed her arm and pulled her back onto the bed.

"Don't leave, okay?" The man sleepily rubbed his eyes with the other hand.

A smile escaped her lips. He looked like a clingy child hugging his favorite toy protectively. She forgot all about her negative thoughts and leaned over to press a kiss between his eyebrows. "I have something to tend to. I'll give you a call later, okay?"

The kiss seemed to wake him up completely. He sat up, comprehending what she had just said. "You can freshen up and get ready; I'll prepare breakfast for you."

"You don't need to." She waved her hands immediately. "Just continue resting... I'll buy coffee on my way."

"No can do." He got off the bed insistently. "You will either forget to buy breakfast on your way or simply ignore it, and that's not good for your health."

Knowing that she would not be able to convince him no matter what she said, she nodded her thanks and went to the bathroom.

In the end, the man made her eat a nutritious breakfast and even made her bring snacks with her. She massaged her temples as she eyed the mountain of snacks. What was with the doting husband attitude? It was scary, okay?

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Cheng Yu didn't have to go to school today, so Luna called her out to a restaurant. It was close to Golden Wing Apartments, so soon after Luna sat down, Cheng Yu walked in and sauntered over to her when she saw her.

"Why did you call me out when you were already so close to the apartment?" Cheng Yu was confused. "Also, what's with me dressing up and wearing high heels?"

Luna smiled when she saw that the latter had followed the few instructions she had sent over. "Are you free to go shopping? It won't take long."

Cheng Yu was confused. Luna wasn't the type to shop around like her sister usually did. If she was not accompanying Madam Jiang, she would prefer to randomly choose clothes online and have them delivered. Since when did she decide to shop around?

Luna peeked at her phone screen for a second and smiled. "Why don't you have something to eat first? I have already had my breakfast."

The latter decided to go with the flow and see what's happening. "I've had my breakfast too. We can start shopping right away. Is there something specific you are looking for?"

Luna scanned her phone that was now full of those weird codes that only programmers could comprehend. "Uhm... let's shop for jewelry. I know the best mall we can go to."

Cheng Yu raised an eyebrow but nodded at last. Luna would explain when she was ready. Hence, the two ladies made their way to the mall.

"What exactly do you have in mind? A birthday present for someone? Something to wear to an event...?" Cheng Yu inquired.

"Let's just look around." Luna saw someone and sighed in relief. She leaned over to whisper something in Cheng Yu's ears. The latter frowned for a second then understood just what was going on. She kept up a confident act and pretended that nothing was going on, even though she could feel a burning gaze on her.

After looking around for a while and buying nothing, the duo sat down to have a drink. At this moment, Cheng Yu realized that Cedric walked over and sat at a spot close to them.

The man smiled joyously and wanted to say hello when Luna spoke up first. "This is why I don't like those spoiled young masters from wealthy families. They're so troublesome."

"Well, not all of them are the same. There are a few reasonable ones... like Cedric." Cheng Yu played along, even though she didn't fully understand why Luna was doing this.

The latter looked even more troubled. "I thought Cedric was different but what did he do? He proved to be just one of the tyrant kids we hate the most."

"What did he do?" Cheng Yu feigned ignorance.

Luna looked puzzled. "You don't know yet? How are you still in the dark? He caused such a ruckus! The man wants us to revise the contract specially for him. Not only that, but he is asking for ten times the compensation."

"Excuse me?" Cheng Yu looked disgusted.

"I'm not kidding. Xingyu and I are having sleepless nights because of his unreasonable request. I don't know..." she was still speaking when a figure leapt over at their side.

The young man scratched his head and looked like he would fall to his knees in an instant. "Xiao Yu, you have to believe me. I was only kidding! Why would I want to make things difficult for you?"

Cheng Yu was a little puzzled but she put up a serious expression. "You were... kidding?"

"Yes, yes yes! I would never come up with such unreasonable terms." He swore as he waved his hands in denial.

Luna was not in the slightest bit surprised. She knew that for stupidly pampered young masters like Cedric Han, nothing mattered to them. It was rare for them to care about anything, but Cedric cared about Cheng Yu. After doing her research, she had found that there were only two things that the young man cared about: his sister and Cheng Yu's opinion of him.

What scared him most was the possibility of the latter thinking of him as an irresponsible man and possibly hating him. Hence, she decided that the best way to deal with him was to make him think that Cheng Yu would hate him for coming up with such terms. She also knew that he was shopping for jewelry today, so she brought Cheng Yu out to grab his attention, then act like they were casually conversing.

As expected, he vehemently denied knowing about his agent coming up with such unreasonable requests. As if to prove to his goddess that he had nothing to do with it, he asked Luna for the contract. Since she had come prepared, she fished it out and the man signed it without batting an eyelid.

Cheng Yu secretly gave her a thumbs up. Excellent!