

## Crazy 1101

### Chapter 1101: Neglected Problems

The next morning, when Zhao Yu's team members came to the temporary office of the Special Investigation Group, they witnessed an amazing scene. Ten whiteboards leaned against each other and papers were scattered on the floor. Zhao Yu, the leader of the group, lay on his back and snored like thunder.

"Team leader, team leader..." Li Beini put down her breakfast and rushed over to check on him.

"What's wrong? What's wrong?" Hearing the commotion, Cui Lizhu also ran in from the duty room. When she saw the rickety desks and chairs, she was shocked and asked, "Boss, you didn't have a big fight with anyone here, did you?"

"Oh ah..." Zhao Yu woke up from all the noise and yawned lazily. "Well..." Zhao Yu opened his eyes and saw his team members standing in front of him. Wu Xiumin, Li Beini, Cui Lizhu, and Liu Zhanbing were all there, as well as Ma Jichun from the Secret Service. "Hey? All of you are here?" Zhao Yu immediately stood up from the ground. "It's good to have you all here. Hurry up, hurry up, come here..." he said excitedly, his eyes wide. Zhao Yu's sleepy eyes brightened. He quickly rushed to the front of the office and opened the big screen.

When they saw that Zhao Yu was excited, they had no idea what he was thinking about. They quickly put down their own things and went over to the big screen. When the screen turned on, a map filled with different colors appeared on the big screen.

Zhao Yu picked up the laser pen, pointed to the map and said, "Come on! Have a look at this. Yesterday, I suddenly thought of something important. A brilliant detective used to tell me that the truth is often hidden in very small clues. Look! This is the map of the northeast. Here... Pay attention to the colors. Following the Secret Service's work logs, I used five different colors to show the routes taken by the five experts. Do you see anything here?"

"Ah? This..." The group members obviously didn't get it. Looking at the map, they were speechless. Only Ma Jichun from the Secret Service noticed something. After a while, he said, "It looks like there is little overlap in their routes?"

"That's what I'm looking for." Zhao Yu pointed at Ma Jichun and said, "No wonder Li Jing sent you here. You are right. After I marked out their treasure hunting routes, I found that there were few overlaps."

"Yes." Ma Jichun frowned and said, "Experts worked in different teams and had different duties. They avoided repeatedly searching in the same area to make the best of their available resources. Group leader Zhao... So, you are..."

Zhao Yu tried to make himself appear calm and said, "Last night, I suddenly thought of something. Is it possible that the five experts' death is related to their treasure hunt? Is there something that happened while they were looking for the treasure that we don't know about?" He pointed to the big screen and said seriously, "So, I wanted to see if their routes overlapped at all. We know that they worked for the

Secret Service at different times. If they all started their work from the same region, then that place would be our target.”

“But...” Zhao Yu pointed to the map again. “I soon found that their routes were totally different from each other. Some had crossed others, but it was just a few. Other than cities, I can’t find a place where these people have all stayed during their hunt for the treasure. So, what do you think?”

“Well...” Everyone frowned. Cui Lizhu thought for a moment then said, “Boss, the Secret Service has explained this to us. Because of the division of labor, their routes were different from each other. So, what exactly did you find? Don’t keep us waiting!”

Zhao Yu’s eyes lit up. “The time to witness a miracle is coming for you guys. When I found that the routes of the experts hardly crossed, I was very disappointed, and I just thought that I was wasting my time. But just at that time, guess what? My luck came to me,” he said proudly. Cui Lizhu and Li Beini both wiped the cold sweat from their foreheads.

“It suddenly occurred to me that it was exactly because their routes do not coincide that I am not wasting my time.” Zhao turned around and searched for something on his whiteboards. He found the whiteboard with the five experts’ information on it and pushed it to the center. “Take a good look. This is the information we have on the experts. Look at their routes. Do you have any ideas?” The others thought carefully about Zhao Yu’s words. They had read the experts’ information many times, but they hadn’t found anything unusual.

“Here’s the answer.” Zhao Yu pointed to Yuan Juncheng’s picture and said, “In fact, the one thing we overlooked this whole time was the truth serum. Think about it. Why did the killer use the truth serum on the experts?”

“Truth Serum? Of course, it was for obtaining the information he wanted from the experts. We’ve talked about this before. But...” Cui Lizhu still didn’t understand what Zhao Yu wanted to say.

“Yes. We’ve analyzed the truth serum and what the killer really wants to know. But...” Zhao Yu pointed to Yuan Juncheng’s picture forcefully. “But we’ve overlooked something about the truth serum. We never questioned whether or not the murderer would continue to kill if he had gotten what he wanted from the first person.”

“Ah?” Hearing this, everyone had goosebumps. Indeed, they were all so focused on the identity of the murderer that they overlooked the murderer’s reasons for using the truth serum.

“This... So...” Li Beini thought and then asked, “Just because the killer didn’t get the answer he wanted, he continued to kill?”

“Oh...” Cui Lizhu stared as she began to tremble. “I understand. No wonder you showed us Yuan Juncheng’s picture. Yuan Juncheng was the last one to die. That is to say, the key problem lies with Yuan Juncheng?”

“Yes.” Zhao Yu put his hands behind his back, shook his head, and said, “I guess the murderer only knew that the answer he wanted was related to these five people, he wasn’t sure which one was the correct guy. So, he followed the order of the names on the list and used the truth serum, but he was unlucky. None of the first four knew the answer.”

“Truth serum works on the nervous system,” Wu Xiumin said. “Unlike other hallucinogens, it can stimulate the peripheral nerves of users and make a deep impression on the brain. Therefore, the murderer was worried that the police would find out about the truth serum, so he had to kill them.”

“Yes.” Zhao Yu nodded and said, “We are sure of at least two things now. First, the murders of the experts were absolutely related to the treasure. Second, the key reason why they were killed is because of Yuan Juncheng.”

Zhao Yu pointed to the area marked red in the large screen and said, “So, next step. We will take Yuan Juncheng’s route and try to find out what happened to him. That’s what led to his death.” He sighed heavily and said to everyone gathered, “Let’s get ready as soon as possible. This may be our last chance to solve the mystery.”

### **Chapter 1102: Find a Clue from the Dead**

“You don’t need to say that to me. Of course, Cui Lizhu is with me,” Zhao Yu said to the person on the other end of the phone. He was driving a police car. “I know, I know. Cui Lizhu is different. Don’t worry, I have installed a positioning device for her. She’s with me because she’s important.”

“But...” Li Beini hesitated. She had stayed at Feng Ping police station. Li Beini was very nervous. “Leader, you’d better bring more people with you. Do you need help from the Feng Ping police to protect yourself?” she asked.

“No.” Zhao Yu shook his head. “Don’t worry, Beini. The Secret Service car is behind me. They can protect me. Don’t worry.”

“OK... Be careful,” Li Beini said.

“In fact, if someone is watching us in secret, things will be easier.” Zhao Yu checked the Invisible Detector in his brain. In order to prepare for the Kun Gen hexagram, he spent a lot of points to extend the use time of the detector. Once someone attempted to track him, he would know immediately.

“Then... Leader, why are you going to Linshe in Zhaoyun city first?” Li Beni asked again.

Zhao Yu replied, “Because Yuan Juncheng stayed there for an extended period and went back there several times. I plan to follow his work logs and see if I can find anything out from the people he had made contact with.”

“All right.” Li Beini asked Zhao Yu to take care of himself before she hung up.

“Boss.” Cui Lizhu, who was sitting in the back seat, looked at Yuan Juncheng’s work logs and frowned at Zhao Yu. “This time you are putting me in danger. Let me tell you, I am not the kind of person who can sacrifice one’s life for work. You must make sure that I am safe. You’ve lost me several times before.”

Zhao Yu scolded her without looking back. “Nonsense,” he said. “Except for this time with the Secret Service, it is you who always attempt to escape from me.”

“Well...” Cui Lizhu touched her broken finger and said, “I don’t care. Anyway, I’m risking my life to investigate the case. In the end, whether it’s successful or not, I must get the villa back. Hum. I’ve checked the relevant legal documents. I won’t possibly lose if I start a lawsuit.”

Zhao Yu scolded her, saying, “Do you know what we are doing this time? Hum, everything you say is always about your villa. If we can find the treasure, your house is just a penny compared to it.”

Ah... Heroes... Zhao Yu’s cell phone rang. This time, it was Ma Jichun from the Secret Service calling.

“Team leader Zhao, I have reported your situation to Captain Li as you asked,” Ma Jichun said. “Captain Li has dispatched her men to investigate the places where Yuan Juncheng stayed. She wants to know your plans so she doesn’t accidentally double up any work.”

“Ok, you can tell her that Cui Lizhu and I are going to Linshe County. Zhang Jingfeng and Wu Xiumin are going to Jiangcheng, and Liu Zhanbing and Xu Hai are going to Jincheng,” Zhao Yu told him. “These are the places that Yuan Juncheng stayed the most when he had been looking for the treasure.”

“Thank you, leader Zhao, I’ll tell her now,” Ma Jichun said.

“Everything about the treasure is confidential. Try not to let the local police get involved,” Zhao Yu added. “Only the special investigation group and the Secret Service are working on this case right now. You must remember that the main target of our investigation is the people Yuan Juncheng got into contact with during his hunt for the treasure. Only by finding these people can we know what happened to Yuan Juncheng.”

“I understand,” Ma Jichun said in a hurry. “We have Yuan Juncheng’s work logs. We just need to show his picture to those people.”

Zhao Yu then said, “One more thing. Don’t you have some kind of anti-tracking device? You tell Captain Li to use it on all of her teams. Once she finds someone tracking them, you take immediate action to catch them.”

Ma Jichun nodded. “I understand. Captain Li asked me to tell you that if there is any special situation that requires our support, you must inform the Secret Service right away.”

“Good. Then I need to go now. We all have our work to do. No matter who finds out anything first, remember to let each other know,” Zhao Yu said.

“Yes,” Ma Jichun answered before hanging up.

“Hum, anti-tracking device,” Cui Lizhu said with a smile. “Boss, you don’t need to remind them of that. Li knows that. She works for the Secret Service. I think you should think about adding an anti-tracking tool.”

“Don’t worry.” Zhao Yu pointed to the back. “See that Jeep? The Secret Service will protect us. You don’t need to worry about that.”

Cui Lizhu put down the papers in her hand, smacked her lips, and said, “Although I have a certain level of confidence in your investigation, boss, the work logs were many years ago. Can we really find anything in the end?” Cui Lizhu snapped her fingers and said, “I’ve read Yuan Juncheng’s information. After all, he

was an expert in cultural relics. It's not surprising that he had bought so many of them. Also, don't you say that he was a good man? What did he do that would lead to his death?"

"I said that he was a good man, but it doesn't mean that he didn't do any bad things," Zhao Yu said. "When a person is doing something bad, he may not even know it. Anything can happen in this world. Don't get surprised easily."

Cui Lizhu pouted her lips and said, "All right, since you're so confident, I will not say anything else that's discouraging to you. I'd better help you think about who we should find first when we get to Linshe County."

"I've circled all the names in the logs. We'll go to talk to them one by one," Zhao Yu replied.

"Wow, how thoughtful you are." Cui Lizhu looked through the logs, then pointed to several names and said, "Interesting. It's a confidential treasure hunt. How can there be so many people getting involved in this? Who are these people? What are they doing now?"

"More than half are Japanese descendants," Zhao Yu explained. "In those days, Yuan Juncheng's treasure hunt was mainly to collect information from people in addition to field investigation. After the defeat of Japan, there were a large number of Japanese soldiers who could not evacuate. Some of them stayed and got married to local people. They gradually settled down in China. Yuan Juncheng's main task was to visit these people and inquire about the treasure at that time."

"Wow. Mixed race? Great. However, because of this, our workload is not small." Cui Lizhu frowned. "Besides, some of them should be very old by now and may no longer be alive."

"I think we can manage to find something even from the dead," Zhao Yu said. "Ask the family members of the deceased, and we may be able to figure out their exact relationship. We can't look over any details."

Cui Lizhu picked up the pen and paper and said, "All right. I'll decide the order now and try to make the best of our time. Alas. Now, we are robbed of all of our time by this case."

Although Zhao Yu knew that the workload was heavy, he appeared happy. The reason was simple. It was because of the Kun Gen hexagram last night. Based on his understanding of the system, Zhao Yu knew that this Kun Gen hexagram was by no means accidental. It was just when he discovered the reason behind the truth serum and Yan Juncheng's route that this hexagram came out. Therefore, this Kun Gen hexagram was more like an affirmation of his thought. The system seemed to be suggesting that Zhao Yu was right.

So, am I right? He thought. Looking at the desolate expressway, Zhao Yu's thoughts became complicated. He didn't know what would happen to him next.

### **Chapter 1103: Sudden Call**

At noon, in Linshe County, Zhaoyun Province.

Linshe County was under the jurisdiction of Feng Ping City. It was named after the vast forest in its north. Although the county had a large geographic area, it was not highly populated and was not very rich.

As Zhao Yu drove, he explained the area to Cui Lizhu. "Its location is very important. It is surrounded by mountains on three sides. It's a geographical hub, which people used to say is the place strategists should fight for. The Japanese built hundreds of fortifications and six military fortresses in the mountains on the north and west sides. The most famous one is Yishan Fortress. Have you heard of it?"

"Yishan Fortress..." Cui Lizhu nodded. "I have seen it on the Internet. It seems that it has become a tourist attraction, right?"

"Yishan Fortress is as big as that of Halongjiang. It used to be an important feature of the Japanese puppet regime. According to the records, Yuan Juncheng had visited Yishan Fortress no less than ten times, and there are detailed records of the fortress in his work logs," Zhao Yu said.

"What? Do you mean that we're going there, too? I thought we are going to look for the people recorded in his work logs. An empty fortress? What can we find out there?" Cui Lizhu asked. She shook her cell phone. "It costs 45 yuan for one ticket. It's not worth that much."

"We are not there for the scenery," Zhao Yu replied. "We need to find the administrator in charge at that time and ask them about Yuan Juncheng. But we don't have to go there right away. Let's find our interviewees first. If it's too late, we'll go tomorrow."

"You are the boss. Of course, you'll decide for me." Cui Lizhu searched on her mobile phone and said, "But have you heard about this? Boss, Linshe is famous for its stew. It's better than what they have in Golden City."

Zhao Yu smiled and said, "Well, I'm starving." Before long, Zhao Yu had driven the police car to a famous local stew shop, and they finally had a good meal. They then visited the people recorded in the work logs, following the order they were listed in.

They didn't encounter many difficulties. The first several interviewees were all alive and remembered Yuan Juncheng. However, the information provided by these people was not of great value. They said that Yuan Juncheng had many people accompanying him and they asked some questions. The questions and answers were all recorded in his work logs.

Zhao Yu and Cui Lizhu asked many detailed questions about Yuan Juncheng, but the interviewees all said that they didn't have too much interaction with him and knew little about him. In the evening, Zhao Yu and Cui Lizhu found another stew shop. It seemed that the local stew lived up to its reputation. After dinner, they went to see two other interviewees, but the result was not much different than earlier. No progress was made in their investigation.

Later, they encountered an embarrassing situation. To make sure that Cui Lizhu was safe, Zhao Yu had to share a room with her in a hotel. This was not the first time that the two of them had slept in the same room. They seemed to have gotten used to it. They slept in separate beds and didn't feel too embarrassed.

After washing his face, Zhao Yu began to collect information from the other teams. Unfortunately, the situation Wu Xiumin and Liu Zhanbing found themselves in was not much different than his own. They found that Yuan Juncheng and those people were purely working partners and had not had many interactions with each other, so they either couldn't remember Yuan Juncheng or didn't know much about him.

Zhao Yu expected this to happen. He knew that Yuan Juncheng had been looking for the treasure for eight years and had worked with a large number of people, so it would not be easy to find out what happened to him in a short time.

After receiving the information from the other teams, Zhao Yu prepared for tomorrow's visit and investigation by sorting out Yuan Juncheng's work logs. Cui Lizhu helped him sort out the materials. After checking the people's information, they chose seven people in Linshe. If they made the best use of their time tomorrow, they would be able to complete the interviews in one day.

Zhao Yu planned to go to Yishan Fortress once the interviews were done. He wanted to know if he could find any new clues there. The previous night, Zhao Yu had little sleep. He had also been driving for most of the day. He was so exhausted that he went to bed early. In the past, whenever there was a Qian or Kun hexagram, Zhao Yu always felt nervous and was unable to fall asleep, but this time it was different. Maybe it was because he was overly tired that he fell asleep immediately after he lied down. He didn't even dream.

The next day, Cui Lizhu got up early and woke Zhao Yu up. Otherwise, he would probably have slept through the day. After getting up, Zhao Yu's first move was to check the system to see if the Kun Gen hexagram was over. He knew that if it was, it meant that what he did was completely wrong. If it didn't end, it meant that he was on the right track.

After he started the system, he saw the two characters Kun Gen was still in the center of the system interface. Good. For the first time, Zhao Yu felt the kindness of the Kun hexagram and immediately regained his confidence. He set out with Cui Lizhu. With the experience they had gained the day before, their work went smoothly. By about 4:00 in the afternoon, they had completed all the interviews they needed to do. The results were pretty much the same as yesterday. The interviewees didn't have much to say about Yuan Juncheng.

Sticking to the plan, they started to drive to Yishan Fortress, looking for the person in charge there when Yuan Juncheng had visited. In the car, Cui Lizhu pointed to her cell phone and said to Zhao Yu, "Boss, I checked online. Yishan Fortress became a tourist attraction about eight years ago. When Yuan Juncheng was there, it belonged to the Feng Ping Museum. Most likely, the guy who was in charge at that time was not in Linshe but in Feng Ping."

"Oh?" Zhao Yu frowned. He didn't know that.

Cui Lizhu pouted her lips and said, "I'll let Li Beini check for us. Are we still going?"

"Well..." Zhao Yu looked at the phone's navigation app and said, "it's only a few kilometers away. We have nothing to do now anyway. Maybe we can get some inspiration from the fortress." Zhao Yu's phone rang as he finished speaking. It was from a strange number. He took the call. "Hello?"

"Zhao Yu." Li Jing's voice came from the phone. "Are you still in Linshe?"

“You... Um...” Zhao Yu didn’t expect Li Jing to call him now. Because of their personal grudges, Ma Jichun was usually their main point of contact. “Captain Li, I’m not in Linshe. You should know this.” Zhao Yu looked at the Jeep behind him, which was still following him closely.

“Good. Then I won’t make this call too long,” Li Jing said. “My colleagues told me that they found a small problem when they were in Yuning yesterday.”

“Oh? What was that?” Zhao Yu asked.

“There is a man named Tian Zheng in Yuan Juncheng’s work logs. He was half Japanese. When Yuan Juncheng met him, he was the director of the Geological Bureau of Yuning. He had a close relationship with Yuan Juncheng because of work at that time. However,” Li Jing continued, “Tian Zheng has since passed from illness. Our team members went to visit his family yesterday and found something strange. Tian Zheng’s two sons were missing.”

#### **Chapter 1104: Why Can’t We Catch Him?**

On the phone, Li Jing said firmly, “I think this is worth following up on. Our people learned that Yuan Juncheng had a close relationship with Tian Zheng when he was in Yuning, and even lived in his home at several points in time. There were also rumors among his relatives that his grandfather used to have an eminent position. It was said that he was a senior officer of the general office of the Japanese Kwantung Army. At the time of the joint investigation in the northeast, Tian Zheng’s grandfather and father were put into prison because they were suspected of being spies, but were later released because there was no evidence.”

“Oh?” Zhao Yu slowed down the car and frowned. “Tell me about the missing sons. Why are they missing?”

“Tian Zheng had two sons,” Li Jing replied. “One is Tian Shengli and the other is Tian Shengguo. They were reported missing half a year ago. The police have placed a case on file for investigation, but they haven’t found them yet.”

“Half a year ago? Isn’t that the time when the first expert was killed?” Zhao Yu asked, shocked.

“If one son was missing, we could maybe consider it as an accident. But both of them are missing,” Li Jing said. “This is not a matter of coincidence. So, we need to follow up on it.”

“Yes.” Zhao Yu nodded. “So, do you want me to go to Yuning?” During the conversation, Cui Lizhu extended five fingers to Zhao Yu, which meant that they were 50 kilometers away from Yuning.

“No,” Li Jing suddenly said. “Actually, I’m calling you because we have found traces of the two sons. They are in Linshe now.”

Zhao Yu was surprised. “You are saying that you’ve found them?” he asked.

“Yes,” she replied. “I am going to send what we’ve found to your cell phone. Someone transferred around 8000 yuan from Tian Shengli’s bank card.”

“What? Bank card? 8000 yuan?” Zhao Yu frowned, suddenly feeling a little confused.



“The money was transferred from the Daqingzhuang hardware store in Linshe 20 minutes ago. The video surveillance in the hardware store is not connected to the Internet, but we caught a blue truck on nearby cameras,” she explained. Zhao Yu’s cell phone rang. Li Jing had sent him a video. In order to watch the video clearly, Zhao Yu parked the car on the side of the road.

“It shows that there are two men in the truck,” Li Jing said. “Their appearance is very similar to Tian Shengli and Tian Shengguo. Zhao Yu, we have sent our people to check this out. You are now the closest to that hardware store. So...”

“I understand. I’m heading to the store now. Can you track down the car?” Zhao Yu said seriously.

“No problem,” Li Jing said. “The suspects came out of the hardware store and went west along the provincial highway. We are applying for the camera footage from each intersection and will provide you with a real-time location of the truck later. Be careful. Xiao Hang and I are on our way.” After that, Li Jing hung up.

“If the two brothers are really related to our case, why would Li Jing share this information with us?” Cui Lizhu asked doubtfully. “Boss, you must be careful. This is not like that crazy woman.” What Cui Lizhu said was exactly the reason for Zhao Yu’s confusion. He couldn’t believe that Li Jing was the first to inform him of such an important clue.

Cui Lizhu looked at the Jeep following closely behind them and said, “Their people are with us. Why did she call you for that? I don’t believe that she really wants to help us. Although you shared the investigation papers with her, I don’t think that woman would be so kind as to repay you.”

Zhao Yu restarted the car. “Maybe she has to?”

“What do you mean?” Cui Lizhu didn’t understand.

“She has only one team of her men here, and they are tasked with keeping a close eye on us. If they go and chase the suspects, they can’t protect us. So, Li Jing wants us to go after the suspects so that her people can go with us.”

Cui Lizhu still had doubts. “Boss, what’s the saying? Refrain from hurting others, yet guard against those trying to hurt you? Be quick when you find the suspects later. Don’t let the Secret Service take the credit for your hard work.”

“Whoever wants the credit can take it.” Zhao Yu’s mind felt tangled now. He felt that something was not right. However, the suspects were not caught yet, so he could not tell what was wrong exactly.

Cui Lizhu looked out of the window. “It’s not even five. Why is it so dark right now?”

“It’s not dark. It’s cloudy.” Zhao Yu also looked out of the window and said, “it’s going to rain.”

“Interesting! It rained a lot along our way.” Cui Lizhu was talking to herself. Zhao Yu’s cell phone rang again. He took it and saw a real-time location that Li Jing had sent him. He immediately clicked the location to compare it with his own. Unexpectedly, Cui Lizhu suddenly hit Zhao Yu’s seat and yelled, “Boss, boss, look! That car!”

What? Zhao Yu looked up quickly and saw a car coming. It was a blue truck. He was shocked. He didn’t see many blue trucks in this county. Zhao Yu quickly slowed down and stared at the truck. When it

passed by, he saw that there were two men sitting in the front. Both of them were wearing hats, almost the same as in the video sent by Li Jing.

“Zhao J239B7,” Cui Lizhu said, loudly reading the license plate number to Zhao Yu.

Zhao Yu quickly checked the video. It was the same license plate number as in the video. That’s the car. It’s them. For a moment, Zhao Yu felt so excited that he thought his blood was boiling. He immediately turned around at an intersection and chased the blue truck. After Zhao Yu turned around, the Jeep behind him took a sharp turn and continued to follow Zhao Yu’s car. It started to rain lightly.

Cui Lizhu couldn’t believe that the blue car appeared right after they received the information from Li Jing. “I can’t believe that we are so lucky. Boss, stop the jeep behind you. Don’t let them steal your credit,” she said to Zhao Yu.

Zhao Yu touched his gun, then stepped on the accelerator to speed up. “Of course. You don’t need to remind me of this.” As the rain grew intense, Zhao Yu flipped his wipers to the fastest mode to sweep all of the rain off the window. The sky was gloomy. The dark sky was like a huge black pot covering the earth. He felt like he was unable to breathe and felt quite depressed.

The truck in front of Zhao Yu didn’t seem to notice that someone was on their trail. It kept a slow speed. After a minute, Zhao Yu caught up with the people in the truck and stopped them. Unexpectedly, at that moment, Zhao Yu’s cell phone rang again. Although it was an unknown number, Zhao Yu knew who was calling.

“Zhao Yu, slow down. You keep up with them. Don’t confront them now,” Li Jing said seriously.

“Oh?” Zhao Yu was a little surprised. “Why?” he asked.

“Why?” Li Jing said seriously. “We found their shopping list in the hardware store. They bought an internal combustion cleaver, two diamond air picks, and several electric hammers, all of which are used to dig rocks. You tell me what they are going to do.”

Hearing this, Zhao Yu was really excited. They are going to dig for the treasure?

### **Chapter 1105: Professional Agent**

It was raining hard and the sky was dark. Although the temperature inside the car didn’t change much, Zhao Yu felt a cold breeze. That kind of coldness seemed to be able to penetrate his marrow and reach straight into his heart.

“Where are they going?” Cui Lizhu stared at the blue truck without blinking. “They bought the tools. Are they really looking for the treasure? Is the treasure hidden in Linshe?” She took a look at the map in her cell phone and said uncertainly, “It seems that they are going into the mountains, right? From the west side?”

“It’s too early to say anything now.” Zhao Yu was careful when he was driving the car. “Let’s wait and see.” In order not to keep the people in the truck from noticing them, Zhao Yu deliberately slowed down the car speed and kept a distance. After ten minutes, the truck went into the mountain and then went north.

The narrow roads in the mountain, coupled with the heavy rain made driving difficult. Zhao Yu was more careful, and the wipers had already reached the maximum speed. With such heavy rain, there were very few cars on the road. Because the blue truck had turned on its headlights, even though it was far away, it was still a clear target, so Zhao Yu wasn't worried about losing it.

Zhao Yu and the Jeep behind him followed the truck for half an hour. After a while, Zhao Yu and Cui Lizhu become very curious about where they were going as the car went in the direction of Yishan Fortress in Linshe. Cui Lizhu frowned. "Where are they heading? If they want to go to Yishan Fortress, it's obvious they are making a detour. Are they really going to dig the treasure up? How could the treasure be in Yishan Fortress?"

Cui Lizhu suddenly thought of something and said hastily, "Boss. Boss. Maybe the Japanese lied to us? They lied to us for 80 years. Is it possible that the treasure was buried in Yishan Fortress this whole time?"

"Ah? What are you saying?" Zhao Yu had been deep in thought. Hearing what Cui Lizhu said, his thoughts were interrupted.

"Ha! I got it. Finally!" Cui Lizhu pointed to the map and said, "The Japanese are really cunning. Yishan Fortress is just a cover-up. The secret lies under the fortress. Maybe there is a hidden fortress below? They buried the treasure there so that no one would know their secret. Think about it. Linshe is so close to Feng Ping. The transportation is convenient. And..." Cui Lizhu thought for a moment then added, "Yuan Juncheng stayed in Linshe for the longest time during his work for the Secret Service. He might have found something there. That's also what led to his death."

"But..." Zhao Yu frowned. "First of all, if the treasure is hidden below Yishan Fortress, how can the Japanese not know that? They even can't find it themselves."

"It's top secret." Cui Lizhu pouted her lips. "The Japanese even killed their own people. All the people who knew the secret are dead."

Zhao Yu pointed to the truck in front of him. "Second, there is a shorter way from the hardware store to Yishan Fortress. Why did they take a long way around?" he asked.

"It's too obvious to take the main road. They want to hide their real purpose," Cui Lizhu said.

"Third," Zhao Yu continued, "the Secret Service says that scientists have used advanced scientific instruments to search all of the Japanese fortifications for the treasure, including Yishan Fortress. They didn't find anything."

"Um... This... Well..." Cui Lizhu was no longer confident in her guess. "Maybe, it's buried very deep?"

"What I'm worried about the most now is that what they are doing has nothing to do with the treasure," Zhao Yu said worriedly.

"Oh? How can it be unrelated to the treasure?" Cui Lizhu shook her head. "The two brothers are descendants of senior Japanese officials. Their father and Yuan Juncheng had a close relationship, and most importantly, they were reported missing. The date of their disappearance coincides with the murder of the first expert. This is definitely not a coincidence."

“But...” Zhao Yu said uncertainly, “What if the two brothers just took a job related to digging mountains and stones? Maybe it’s not what we think. According to the Secret Service, Tian Zheng was the director of the Geological Bureau, and Tian brothers are in charge of outsourcing projects of the geological team of the Secret Service. They have a large amount of geological mining experience. So... It’s possible that they took a private mining job.”

While talking, Zhao Yu looked at his system interface. The two characters, Kun Gen, were still there. Though he still had doubts, Zhao Yu was reassured by the hexagram. He thought that as long as the hexagram continued, he was not wasting his time. However, he still was hesitant. He felt that something was not right.

“No. Haha.” Unexpectedly, Cui Lizhu seemed much more optimistic than Zhao Yu. She clapped him on the shoulder and said, “That doesn’t make sense. If the two brothers really did take private work, they wouldn’t have been reported missing. That would attract the police’s attention. I don’t think that’s what they want.”

“Hey.” Zhao Yu’s eyes lit up as he praised her. “I’m impressed. You are my best student...” However, Zhao Yu didn’t finish. The blue truck in front of him suddenly turned onto a narrow path. Because it was raining heavily, the path was extremely muddy. The truck was shaking violently as it drove on the path.

Zhao Yu smacked his lips. He suddenly realized something important and immediately stopped at the turn. The Jeep following behind came up and stopped beside Zhao Yu’s car. As Zhao Yu rolled down the window, he saw a familiar face in the Jeep. It was a Secret Service agent who had been beaten by him before. He still had a bandage on his nose.

“Team leader Zhao, why did you stop?” the man asked anxiously. He had to speak very loudly to be heard over the rain.

“We are not going now,” Zhao Yu said. “There are very few cars on the path. If we go on following them, they will surely spot us. We have to turn off the lights.” The agent looked at the dark and muddy path. He thought that Zhao Yu was making things difficult for him on purpose. “It’s not that hard. You follow me. Just be careful.” Zhao Yu appeared confident about driving in the dark because he had an Invisible Night Vision. He planned to use it in his car so that he could drive without turning on the lights.

“Wait a minute.” Unexpectedly, the agent stopped Zhao Yu and handed him a black object. Zhao Yu looked at it and saw that it was a pair of real night vision goggles. This guy really was a professional. “Group leader Zhao, you can see the road clearly in the dark by wearing this. Be careful. Or, we can go first and you follow us,” the agent said to Zhao Yu in a kind voice.

“Thanks, but I don’t think that’s necessary.” Zhao Yu took the night vision goggles, then turned off the car lights. The night vision goggles were powerful. In the dark, Zhao Yu could see the path, and even the rain, clearly.

Cui Lizhu looked at her mobile phone and said, “We are close to Yishan Fortress. Boss, so they are really going to dig for the treasure below the fortress?”

## **Chapter 1106: A Strange Feeling**

"I remember..." Zhao Yu was driving carefully while he spoke. "In Yuan Juncheng's work logs, there was a description of Yishan Fortress. During the period of the Manchukuo government, Yishan Fortress was always regarded as the gateway to the whole Feng Ping area. Yuan Juncheng had once suspected that there were other supporting fortifications on the front of Yishan Fortress. So, he did research in this area but found nothing."

"Front? But..." Cui Lizhu looked at the map displayed on the phone and said, "we are now at the back of Yishan Fortress, not the front..."

"Yes," Zhao Yu said. "The back of Yishan Fortress is all cliffs. It was not a strategic area during the war. So, neither Yuan Juncheng's team nor the other experts had conducted any large-scale searches here. But..."

Cui Lizhu snapped her fingers and said, "But you think that this is a trick of the Japanese. They deliberately built a fortress in a place of no strategic value, which not only achieved unexpected good results in the war but also became an excellent hiding spot for the treasure. Wow..." She wiped her hands and became very excited. "I'm looking forward to what will happen next. Do you think we can find the treasure? The treasure that has been missing for more than 80 years is going to see the light again? God bless me, please let my boss solve this case, so that my big house..."

Just as Cui Lizhu was murmuring to herself, the blue truck in front of them drove into a deeper area of the mountain. Because of the rugged road and the overloaded heavy tools on the truck, the truck gradually slowed down.

Zhao Yu didn't dare to get too close to the truck. He also slowed down and kept a distance.

The heavy rain showed no sign of stopping. As Zhao Yu drove deeper into the mountain there were dangerous cliffs on both sides of the road.

After around 20 minutes, it became more and more difficult for Zhao Yu to drive.

Finally, after the truck went through a forest, it stopped beside a steep cliff.

Fortunately, there was a shelter in the forest. Zhao Yu and the Secret Service agents stopped their cars immediately behind the shelter. Then they used binoculars to observe the truck.

Boom! At that moment, the thunder boomed in the sky overhead. Zhao Yu was starting to grow uneasy.

"They are out." Although Cui Lizhu wasn't using binoculars, she had good eyesight and saw the two people getting out of the truck.

They were both wearing raincoats. They quickly got out of the blue truck, then together they carried a huge machine out of the car and began to tie ropes from the cliff to the machine.

The heavy rain made it difficult for Zhao Yu to see exactly what they were doing.

It seemed as though they wanted to carry the heavy machine up the cliff.

A few minutes later, one of them climbed up the cliff with the help of ropes. Zhao Yu noticed that there was a small cave at the top of the cliff.

After a while, the heavy machine began to slowly move towards the cave.

Cui Lizhu lightly pushed Zhao Yu and asked, "Boss, what are you waiting for? They are climbing up to the clifftop. We must arrest them."

Zhao Yu frowned and said, "Don't. After they go into the cave, they will not be able to run away. Don't forget the murders of the experts. We'd better be careful. It's likely that there are more people than just them."

"You should contact Li Jing and ask for support," Cui Lizhu said.

"Well..." Zhao Yu picked up his phone, but his eyes were still staring into the distance. The two men were transporting a larger machine into the cave. Later, they began to carry other machines and equipment from the car to the cave.

Bang. As Zhao Yu was about to call Li Jing, his car door was opened from the outside. A cold wind blew in, and a woman in a black windbreaker quickly got into his car.

When Zhao Yu looked back, he and Cui Lizhu were shocked to see that the woman was Li Jing.

"You..." Zhao Yu stared at her. "How did you get here?" he asked.

Li Jing dusted the water drops off her long hair and said calmly, "When I called you, I was almost in Linshe. You drove so slowly that I caught up easily. Group leader Zhao, what's the situation now?"

"They are carrying the machines and tools they bought in the hardware store up to the cave." Zhao Yu handed the binoculars to Li Jing. Although he had issues with this woman, at the moment, Zhao Yu could put his mind at rest a little now that she was there.

"Are you sure about their identities? Are those two the Tian brothers?" Li Jing asked as she observed the two men.

"No, they wear hats. We can't see their faces clearly," Zhao Yu replied honestly. "But you can see how they tie the machines, which suggests that they might be in the same field as the two brothers."

"Yes. it's highly likely that they are the Tian brothers," Li said. "Even if they are not, they used the Tian brothers' bank card, and they must have something to do with their disappearance."

"Then... We now..." Zhao Yu took a look at Li Jing.

"Don't startle them," she said. "Don't forget about the murder of the experts. It's likely there are not just these two people."

"Well..." Cui Lizhu was surprised. What Li Jing said was almost the same as what Zhao Yu had told her earlier.

"In that case..." Zhao Yu said cautiously, "let's call more people over."

Li Jing pointed behind her. "You don't need to worry about that. I have enough people with me to protect you guys."

“No, that’s not what I mean,” Zhao Yu said. “Captain Li, it’s better to be careful. Think about it, they should be aware that the police can trace the bank card that they used to them. We have to be careful.”

“I know.” Li Jing watched the truck in the distance and said, “but we can’t be sure yet. The Tian brothers must have something to do with the experts’ murder. So, we must follow them into the cave and see what the two men are planning to do.”

“They used the bank card because they have no money. And going into the cave doesn’t mean that they are looking for the treasure.” Li Jing put down her binoculars and said, “The rain is pouring down. I don’t want to bother my colleagues for support before I am sure that they are the two people we want.”

“To be honest, I don’t believe that the treasure would be hidden in such a place. According to what we found, all of the mountains in Linshe had been searched by remote sensors. Even if the treasure really exists, it can’t be buried here,” Li Jing said coldly.

Hearing this, Zhao Yu looked at the mobile map and found that the cliff where the two men were working was only about six kilometers away from Yishan Fortress, and they were in the same mountain range.

Zhao Yu felt the same as Li Jing. He didn’t think that the treasure would be buried here. However, when he thought of his Kun Gen hexagram, he got a strange feeling.

“All right, they have entered the cave. Let’s go and have a look. Group leader Zhao, if you still have concerns, you can stand by to await my news,” Li Jing told Zhao Yu. “Let’s keep in touch the whole time.” After Li Jing finished speaking, she opened the door and got out of the car without waiting for Zhao Yu to respond.

Cui Lizhu clapped Zhao Yu on the back. “Boss, this is a flagrant provocation. You are the crazy detective. How can you let her humiliate you in front of her people?”

### **Chapter 1107: Scream in the Cave**

It was raining heavily and now completely dark.

Zhao Yu and Cui Lizhu didn’t have raincoats with them. They followed Li Jing and the others to the suspects’ truck in the pouring rain. There was a piece of canvas on the back of the truck. The machines that had originally been transported under the canvas had been moved to the cave by the two people.

The cave was high up the cliff. It was about ten meters from the ground. A rope ladder hung down from the cave that led inside of the cave.

Li Jing was very cautious. She did not speak and only gestured to her people. The agents acted as soon as they received her orders.

Among them was the agent who was responsible for monitoring Zhao Yu. He opened the door of the pickup truck with a special tool and went into the car to search.

Another agent, after testing the strength of the rope ladder, immediately climbed up to the cave. He was strong and reached the top in just a few seconds.

The agent told Li Jin that the cave was safe, so she climbed the rope ladder and entered the cave as well. Li Jing looked weak, but she was in fact very strong and lively. After all, she was the leader of the Secret Service. She easily climbed up to the cave.

After Li Jing went up, there was only one Secret Service agent left at the base of the cliff along with Zhao Yu and Cui Lizhu. This agent was not just anyone. It was Xiao Hang, who had fought with Zhao Yu in the past.

Because of the fight, Xiao Hang and Zhao Yu had not talked to each other since their initial meeting. Seeing that Li Jing had entered the cave, Xiao Hang nodded at Zhao Yu. With his nod he was asking Zhao Yu if he wanted to go up or not.

Of course, Zhao Yu would not miss such a valuable opportunity. Without hesitation, Zhao Yu and Cui Lizhu climbed up the cliff and entered the cave.

After entering the cave, Zhao Yu saw that Li Jing and an agent were adjusting their tools. In order to not attract the attention of the two men who had entered the cave before them, they did not turn on any devices with lights. They put on night vision goggles that they had prepared in advance.

“Keep up with us,” Li Jing whispered. “You know the rules. We are responsible for all fieldwork. I hope you can cooperate well and not make any noise.”

Li Jing was very cold when she spoke to Zhao Yu. He would have been furious with her attitude in the past. However, at this critical time, Zhao Yu didn't want to argue with her, so he took out the night vision goggles and began to put them on.

However, he and Cui Lizhu had only one pair of night vision goggles. He hesitated.

Cui Lizhu smiled and said to Zhao Yu, “I'm totally OK. Do you forget what I used to do for a living? You can put them on. I don't need them.” Zhao Yu realized that he forgot his team member used to be a thief.

While Zhao Yu was putting on the night vision goggles, Xiao Hang had already climbed up to the cave. After that, Li Jing gave her men separate orders. She then took out her gun and went into the cave.

Zhao Yu also had his gun with him. In case there was an emergency, he also took out his gun and followed the agents into the cave with Cui Lizhu.

This was a naturally formed cave. Some places in the cave were wide while others were quite narrow.

After walking a few steps, Zhao Yu became confused. He remembered that the two people had carried a lot of heavy machines and tools in from the pickup truck. How did they transport everything deep into the cave in such a short time?

Did they have any accomplices? Is there anyone else in the cave? Zhao Yu wondered.

The cave was very big. The main path branched off in different directions. Xiao Hang, who had taken the lead, immediately stopped at the fork in the road and carefully identified which branch the two men had chosen.



Zhao Yu's clothes were all wet from the heavy rain. He suddenly had the urge to sneeze. When the sound was about to come out, he realized that he couldn't make a sound. He quickly held back the sneeze.

Li Jing couldn't help but shake her head upon seeing Zhao Yu's embarrassed look.

At the same time that Zhao Yu resisted his sneeze, Cui Lizhu smacked her lips beside him.

Li Jing frowned and wanted to scold her, but she realized that Cui Lizhu was pointing to the cave on her right-hand side and waving to them. She was telling them that where she was pointing was the right way.

Cui Lizhu turned to look at Zhao Yu's side. Zhao Yu immediately understood what she meant. He held his gun up and proceeded in the direction that Cui Lizhu was pointing toward.

The agents were surprised. At that moment, there was no lighting in the cave. They didn't understand how Cui Lizhu saw things clearly without night vision goggles. And, Xiao Hang hadn't found anything in the front. How did she know that the right fork was the correct path?

The agents were curious, but Zhao Yu believed her. He knew what Cui Lizhu was capable of. As the daughter of the thief king, she had been trained strictly. Her eyesight and hearing were much better than normal people. Otherwise, she would have been caught by the police easily.

After going deeper into the cave down the right fork, several more splits appeared in the path. However, after arriving there, there was no need for Cui Lizhu to explain her reasoning to them anymore. Zhao Yu and others were convinced that they were going in the right direction because they could hear the rumble of machines and see a weak light.

Because he couldn't see the light clearly with the night vision goggles, Zhao Yu took them off and went for the target first. A group of agents followed him with extreme caution.

The roar of the machines was so fierce that when they got close, the ground was shaking violently. It was obvious that someone was digging in the mountain with a gravel machine.

"Shhh..." Xiao Hang shushed Zhao Yu, worried that he would make a sound again. He hissed at Zhao Yu, then passed him and took the lead. Unexpectedly, after Xiao Hang walked forward a few steps, the deep roar of the machines suddenly stopped. After the sound of breaking rocks, there came a sudden scream.

"Yes. Yes. Wow! Look!" someone shouted.

"What's that? Come on!" someone else cried.

After that, they heard a massive sound, then suddenly it got quiet again. The agents looked at each other. After receiving Li Jing's approval, Xiao Hang ran toward the weak light. So did Zhao Yu. Ten seconds later, they arrived at their target. When they saw what was in front of them, they were shocked.

A hole that was nearly three-square meters had been dug in the ground of the cave. All the stones removed from the hole were piled up on the other side of the cave, almost blocking the path.

There were many broken and abandoned tools scattered around the hole along with some sleeping bags, cooking utensils, and food. They also saw a four-wheel cart with a brand-new drill on it. Obviously, the two brothers used the cart to bring the tools into the cave.

They quickly walked over to the hole and looked down carefully. It was more than three meters deep. The most amazing thing was that besides there being just rocks and stones, there was concrete at the bottom of the hole. In the dim light, people could see that there was a hole in the concrete. It looked like someone had used a stone crusher to dig it and part of the concrete had collapsed.

Zhao Yu looked into the hole and saw that there was a secret passageway under it.

### **Chapter 1108: An Unusual Gap**

Li Jing had also noticed the secret passage under the concrete. She immediately realized its importance. She quickly backed away to one side, then said into her phone, "Yang Kai, Yang Kai. It's me."

After she shouted several times, no response came from her phone.

"There is no signal in this cave." Li Jing looked around in the weak light, then turned back quickly and said to an agent beside her, "Yong, go out to find Yang Kai and call for support."

Although the agent didn't know what was going on, he left the cave immediately to call for support.

"Xiao Hang. Team leader Zhao." Then, Li Jing waved at them, gun in hand, signaling that they could go down and catch the two men. Xiao Hang couldn't wait anymore. After Li Jing signaled, he jumped down to the hole.

Xiao Hang was strong and lively. He easily jumped down to the concrete slab. He found an internal combustion crusher that had been left aside. It had probably been carried here by the two men before. There was also a lot of dust in the hole.

He cautiously laid down and observed the secret passage at the bottom of the hole. After he made sure that the passageway was safe, he waved to Zhao Yu and others.

Zhao Yu looked at Cui Lizhu. She was very excited and nodded at Zhao Yu. Then, Zhao Yu took his gun and went down toward the hole with Cui Lizhu.

Li Jing followed after them and climbed into the hole from the other side of the cave.

Xiao Hang jumped into the secret passage below without making a sound. When Zhao Yu saw that Xiao Hang went down, he reached for the concrete slab and entered the secret passage after him.

As soon as Zhao Yu entered the secret passage, he felt a cold and wet breath hit him. Zhao Yu realized that the air in this passageway was not circulating, so he immediately used an Invisible Detector.

When the detector started to work, Zhao Yu had a rough look at the secret passage through the weak light from above. The passageway was around three meters wide and two meters high. The walls and ground were all made of cement, which was very similar to an air-raid shelter. In the upper corner of the

wall, there were light bulbs from the anti-Japanese wartime period, and there were black wires strung between the light bulbs.

There were grooves for drainage on both sides of the ground, and in the middle, there was the kind of track one would see in a mine.

Although the passageway was fairly empty, Zhao Yu concluded that it likely had been part of a military fortress during the anti-Japanese War period.

Wow! Zhao Yu was shocked. Did the Japanese hide the treasure here? So, the military fortress hidden in this mountain is what the Secret Service had been looking for over the last 80 years?

No one would think that the Japanese would have built a place like this near Yishan Fortress. It seemed that Cui Lizhu might have been right.

At the thought of that, Zhao Yu could not help but feel as if his blood was boiling. So, the gold is hidden here?

As he sat there stunned, the detector displayed its results stating that the air in the passageway was safe. Although there were no problems with the air, Zhao Yu had noticed two things.

First, he had looked around the passageway and did not see the traces of the two people who had come down before them.

They hadn't entered that long before Zhao Yu and the others. If they had lighting devices with them, Zhao Yu should have been able to see where they went. Maybe the passageway was not straight or the two people were hiding somewhere?

Now Zhao Yu looked back and forth. He couldn't decide which way the men had gone. He looked up and noticed a section that had been broken open. It was just above the passageway. Because the roof was made of concrete, the men would have used the internal combustion crusher to break the gap.

This passageway was not easy to find, which meant that the two people must have had detailed information about the location. How did the brothers get this information?

By that time, Li Jing had also come down and was passing through the hole to enter the secret passage. Xiao Hang went to help Li Jing.

Eh? Looking up, Zhao Yu noticed that there was something strange about the concrete gap. If the two brothers had just used the internal combustion crusher to break the concrete, it would have been impossible to create such a big gap.

Although Zhao Yu was not an expert in these matters, he felt that creating such a large hole seemed an unreasonable feat in the time they had.

He had been following the two suspects. They couldn't have made such a large gap within the short time they were there.

It seems that... Eh? Suddenly, just as Zhao Yu was thinking about the gap, a strange noise came from the upper level of the cave. The next moment a black ball suddenly rolled down from the hole. Huh? It was a big black ball. There were many holes on the ball that made it look like a honeycomb.

Li Jing, Xiao Hang, and Cui Lizhu were also shocked when the ball suddenly rolled down, as it was completely unexpected.

Xiao Hang reacted the fastest. Seeing the ball rolling towards them, he immediately shouted. "Watch out," he said. Then he quickly pulled Li Jing to the ground and laid on top of her.

Zhao Yu's reaction was not slow, but the ball was coming so fast that he had no time to use his Invisible Bullet Proof Suit or other devices. He immediately turned around and lay down on the ground.

As the black ball hit the ground, many needles shot out from the holes. Because the whole body of the ball was full of holes, the needles flew in every direction. Zhao Yu and others were all hit by the flying needles.

Zhao Yu felt a jolt of pain in his back and a needle hit his ear as well.

Ah! In pain, Zhao Yu reached up and removed the needle from his ear. His ear was bleeding. He wanted to see what the needles looked like. But the lights hanging from the top of the cave suddenly went out. The secret passage abruptly fell into darkness.

In the dark, another two things rolled down from the hole. They gave off a pungent smell.

Just then, the detector in Zhao Yu's brain sent him a message that displayed many chemical symbols and a red alarm came from his miracle system. Although Zhao Yu didn't know what these symbols were, he was sure that they were nothing good. Neither were the flying needles.

As soon as Zhao Yu thought about the needles, he felt dizzy. His eyelids were heavy and he felt drowsy. This was not good. The needles were anesthetics. In that critical moment, Zhao Yu forced himself to get up. He used an Invisible Antidote and Invisible Respirator immediately.

The power of the system devices was unmatched. Immediately after Zhao Yu had used the antidote it counteracted the anesthetics in his body, and his drowsiness disappeared.

He quickly used an Invisible Night Vision Device to see what was around him clearly. At that time, he finally saw that the secret passage was filled with a dense fog.

Xiao Hang and Cui Lizhu, both by Zhao Yu's side, coughed hysterically. Zhao Yu wanted to help them but suddenly heard a rush of footsteps coming from in front of him.

He looked up quickly and saw two tall men, side by side, coming toward them from the depths of the secret passage. They had guns in their hands and wore gas masks on their faces.

### **Chapter 1109: You're So Cool**

At that moment, Zhao Yu realized that he had been wrong. In his heart he blamed himself. He had a premonition of danger but had failed to pay attention to it and now they were in trouble.

However, there was one thing Zhao Yu couldn't understand. Why did the two men dare to expose themselves here?

The Secret Service was different from the police. In a short time, the passage would be surrounded by Secret Service agents. No matter who the two men were, they were undoubtedly seeking their death by doing this. This was really unreasonable.

Also, if this was where the Japanese buried their treasure, why did the men lead Zhao Yu and the others here? This didn't make sense. If they had realized that someone was on their trail, they should lead them somewhere else, not to the secret passage.

At that moment, through the thick and choking smoke, Zhao Yu saw two tall men coming from a deep corner of the passageway. They had guns with them and wore gas masks on their faces.

Zhao Yu's body had been cleared of all the anesthetics that had entered his system, and the smoke was unable to hurt him. Zhao Yu could shoot at the men.

However, there were two of them. Zhao Yu was not confident with his shooting, so he didn't dare to make a sound. He planned to wait for them to come closer before he attacked.

Zhao Yu thought of something else. Neither the anesthesia-laced needles or the smoke that stunned the others were meant to kill anyone. It seemed that the mysterious enemies didn't want to take their lives. He was very curious about what they were planning.

Soon, a flashlight was turned on, and the two men came to carefully check the people lying on the ground. Zhao Yu now saw them clearly. Judging from their clothes, they were the two suspects who had been driving the pickup truck earlier. However, because they were wearing gas masks, Zhao Yu was not sure if they were the missing Tian brothers.

"Do you copy? Do you copy? Confirm connection..." As they came closer, one of them covered his ear and said something into an earpiece. He was trying to contact his accomplices.

As the first man spoke, the other man bent down and began checking Cui Lizhu, who was unconscious.

Although he wore a gas mask, Zhao Yu could still hear the man's words clearly. "Target confirmed, target confirmed."

"Good. The connection has been restored. The target is confirmed." The man touched his earphone, waved, and ordered, "Let's get out of here."

After that, he immediately bent down to move Cui Lizhu. It seemed that he wanted to put her on his shoulder.

At the same time, the person who gave the first order looked at Zhao Yu, who was faking unconsciousness, then reached for Xiao Hang. This man had great strength. He grabbed Xiao Hang by the shoulder and turned him over.

Xiao Hang, like Cui Lizhu, was unconscious due to the anesthesia-laced needles.

Suddenly, as the man was turning Xiao Hang over, something unexpected happened. There was a sharp air-breaking sound that came from above. Blood burst out of the neck of the man who was about to lift Cui Lizhu. He didn't even make a sound before he was shot down.

Ah. The other man was shocked. He had been trying to take out his gun to fight back when white smoke suddenly burst from his chest. He was hit by several bullets and fell to the ground.

The next second, Li Jing, who had been under Xiao Hang, suddenly jumped up. She took the gas mask from the man with unmatched speed and put it on herself. After putting on the gas mask, she gasped heavily for air and her chest heaved violently.

Amazing! Zhao Yu was shocked. Li Jing hadn't had an Invisible Respirator like him. However, she managed to hold her breath for a long time.

After getting the gas mask on, Li Jing shouted. "Everyone!"

Zhao Yu noticed that the guy who had been shot in the chest and taken off the gas mask just now was not dead. He might be wearing a bulletproof vest. He moved his body quietly. It looked like he wanted to attack Li Jing from behind.

Dam\*! Zhao Yu knew that he could not just wait and watch it happen. He quickly turned over and jumped up. He needed to finish the man before he did anything harmful to Li Jing.

To Zhao Yu's surprise, although Li Jing was not facing him, she had a strong sense of awareness. She barely moved, shooting her pistol from under her armpit and hitting the man in the neck.

After two shots the man was dead.

However, Zhao Yu, who had already got up, could not stop moving immediately. So, when Li Jing looked back to check on the man, she saw that Zhao Yu was waving his gun awkwardly at the dead man's body on the ground.

"You?" Li Jing looked at Zhao Yu. Sounding surprised she asked, "Zhao Yu? Are you ok?"

"I... Um..." Looking at the dead body on the ground, Zhao Yu felt embarrassed. He couldn't help but exclaim, "You are so cool!"

Li Jing didn't know how Zhao Yu was able to talk to her now. Because the smoke in the secret passage hadn't dispersed, she quickly took off the other dead man's gas mask and handed it to him. "Put it on. The smoke is poisonous," she said.

After passing the gas mask to Zhao Yu, Li Jing took out her cellphone. After she tried making a call a few times, she realized that there was no signal.

"D\*mn it. It's blocked." Li Jing touched her earphone, shook her head and said, "Zhao Yu, we are ambushed. We have to find a way to get out."

As she spoke, Li Jing lost her balance. She fell toward the opposite wall. Eh? However, Zhao Yu didn't offer her a helping hand. After Li Jing hit the wall, she held out her arms to support herself, so she did not completely fall to the ground.

Li Jing gave a painful "Ouch", then turned on the phone's flashlight to check her right leg. She saw several needles stuck in it.

Unexpectedly, after she pulled out the anesthesia-laced needles from her leg, several ropes came down from the hole.

Li Jing pointed her gun at the ropes. Since the needles and the smoke bombs had come from above, she thought that their enemies were coming down from the ropes.

Zhao Yu thought for a moment and seemed to understand something. Thinking about the ropes and what the men had said before, he realized that the enemies' target was not him or the Secret Service. Their only target was Cui Lizhu.

Li Jing made a shushing gesture. Then, she turned off her phone's flashlight, squatted down, and looked up at the hole. She aimed her gun at the hole and was ready to shoot.

The passageway was in total darkness again. Zhao Yu had his Invisible Night Vision Device, so he could still see things clearly. Just as he looked down, he heard an earphone buzzing from the ear of one of the dead bodies as if someone was talking to it.

He squatted down quickly and put the earphone in his ear. Someone was speaking through the earphone in English.

Zhao Yu raised his eyebrows. What the f\*ck is this?

### **Chapter 1110: Attacks**

"Shh... Shh..." Zhao Yu didn't understand what the man was saying in English but saw that Li Jing once again shushed him. He looked up and saw that she was pointing her gun at the hole above.

Just then, lights and the sound of hurried footsteps came from above.

Zhao Yu's night vision device didn't work well when there were lights, so he could not see anything. He shook his head at Li Jing.

In fact, Zhao Yu was thinking about something else. He selected a Signal Amplification Device from his device bar.

He remembered that when he was trapped in the Yinpan county mine, he used this powerful device to contact his colleagues. This time, he used it to ask for support. As long as he could reach his team members and let them know what was happening in the cave, the rescue support team would come in time.

Seeing Zhao Yu shaking his head, Li Jing did not dare to move. She squatted down and took the earphone off the other dead man then put it in her ear to listen.

Li Jing had learned English before. After listening for a while, she appeared to be quite nervous. She quickly made several gestures to Zhao Yu.

However, Zhao Yu was just a policeman. He didn't understand the gestures used by Secret Service agents, so he had to shrug his shoulders to show that he didn't know what she meant.

Alas. Li Jing frowned and stopped gesturing. Instead, she crouched down and dragged her numb right leg to approach Xiao Hang, who was lying on the ground. She seemed like she wanted to pull Xiao Hang out of the cave.

However, Li Jing couldn't use much of her strength as she had been hurt by the needles from earlier. She tried a few times, but only moved Xiao Hang less than half a meter.

Zhao Yu understood what she had meant, then squatted down and dragged Cui Lizhu while she pulled Xiao Hang.

Suddenly, Li Jing pressed down on the two men's contact devices, then immediately put Xiao Hang down and began to search the two dead bodies on the ground.

At first, Zhao Yu thought that Li Jing was looking for something from the bodies. Then he noticed that Li Jing was trying to make the bodies stand upright.

What the h\*ll is she doing? Zhao Yu didn't understand what Li Jing was trying to do with the corpse.

A noise came from the top of the cave again. Zhao Yu knew that someone was throwing things down again. They had been welcomed with anesthesia-laced needles and smoke bombs. What would it be this time? Grenades?

Wait. As Zhao Yu remembered Li Jing's nervous look and how she had dragged the two dead bodies, he suddenly understood what she was doing.

He quickly put down Cui Lizhu, then dragged the dead body beside him toward the hole in the ceiling.

With the help of his Invisible Night Vision Device, Zhao Yu saw a black grenade fall from the opening in the cave. As it hit the ground, he immediately threw the body and used it to cover the grenade. After that, Zhao Yu put Cui Lizhu under him and waited for the grenade to explode.

However, it was not a grenade as Zhao Yu thought. The black thing turned out to be a flash bomb.

The flash bomb exploded underneath the dead body and it shot out a dazzling light, giving the body a jolt.

Li Jing had also thought that it was a grenade. She wanted to use the dead body to counteract its explosion to protect Xiao Hang and Cui Lizhu. They hadn't suspected that it was a flash bomb.

As the leader of the Secret Service, Li Jing understood why they had chosen to use a flash bomb. After they set off the flash bomb, they would forcefully attack.

Knowing this, she immediately put the dead body down, then jumped up with one leg and shot at the hole.

Her gun was armed with a silencer, so there was no shooting sound, only the horrible screaming coming from above the hole.

The next moment, a black shadow fell into the passageway from a high place, landing on a dead body on the cave floor. It let out a miserable cry while falling.



Zhao Yu and Li Jing saw that it was a man in a bulletproof vest with night vision goggles on his face. His equipment was very professional.

Li Jing had shot the man in his foot. There was a hole in his shoe and blood was coming out of it.

The man had a gun in his hand. Although he had fallen, he immediately raised his arm to shoot at Li Jing.

Li Jing didn't wait for him to act first. She immediately shot the man in the shoulder. The man screamed again and lost his grip on his gun.

Li Jing was going to finish him. Just then, another man came down from the cave. He climbed down using the ropes. As soon as he entered the secret passage, he shot at Li Jing and Zhao Yu.

This man's gun was also equipped with a silencer, and he was a skilled shooter. When Li Jing saw him, she quickly dodged to one side. When she turned back, she was shocked by what Zhao Yu was doing.

Zhao Yu moved directly toward the man without even attempting to protect himself or dodge any bullets. Zhao Yu's gun didn't have a silencer. The banging sound of gunfire was particularly striking in the almost completely enclosed passageway. Bang. Bang. Bang.

The man was not scared as he had a bulletproof vest on. When he saw Zhao Yu coming toward him, he shot at Zhao Yu madly. Zhao Yu returned fire. Both sides immediately began a fierce gunfire duel.

"Ah..." Zhao Yu screamed wildly. Even though he was poor at shooting, there was no possibility that he would miss at such a close distance. At first, he shot the man's arm and chest. When he rushed to stand in front of him, he hit the man's night vision goggles. A bullet went through the night vision goggles and hit in between the man's eyebrows.

"Ah..." Zhao Yu finished him. Then, he yelled and aimed his gun at the man who had come down first.

The man who fell into the cave earlier was totally shocked by Zhao Yu's fierce gun battle with his accomplice. He looked at Zhao Yu pointing his gun at him, but he didn't move at all. He was stunned by Zhao Yu's madness and waited for his death.

However, Zhao Yu's gun was different from those used by the Secret Service. It had run out of bullets.

He couldn't even pull the trigger. Huh? The man had thought that he would definitely die. He saw that Zhao Yu had no bullets left. He quickly regained control of himself and tried to fight back.

The fierce shooting had driven Zhao Yu insane. He realized that there were no bullets left, then kicked the man in the face until he was no longer able to fight back.

Suddenly, Zhao Yu heard the sound of guns being loaded above his head. He realized that there were others at the top of the hole. And the sound suggested that he was definitely outnumbered by them.

While Zhao Yu was thinking, they started to shoot down through the hole. Zhao Yu withdrew to one side immediately but lost his grip on his gun as it was hit by a bullet.

At that critical moment, Li Jing shot the man that Zhao Yu had been kicking. She then shouted at Zhao Yu, saying, "Go. They'll come down in a minute."

“No way,” Zhao Yu said. He looked around at the ground. Cui Lizhu and Xiao Hang were still unconscious. If he and Li Jing ran, the others would be in danger.

Thinking of this, Zhao Yu took one of them in each of his arms, then quickly ran deeper into the secret passage.

At that moment, the people above were about to come down. The man who had been hit in the foot quickly turned over to lie on the ground and fired at Zhao Yu and Li Jing.

Li Jing shot back quickly. Although she was a good shooter, she didn't hit him due to the poor visibility in the dark channel. She was only shooting to cover Zhao Yu's escape.

As Li Jing shot back and Zhao Yu dragged Cui Lizhu and Xiao Hang down the passageway, four people entered through the hole at the top of the chamber.

These four men were fully armed. They had miniature submachine guns with them. As soon as they came into the secret passage, they shot at everyone they saw without hesitation.