

## Crazy 221

### Chapter 221: More Than a Hundred Percent

Zhang Jingfeng and Liang Huan were confused. They had no idea what Zhao Yu had been thinking at all. The two of them were confused after the accident, but Zhao Yu did not wait any longer. He opened the door and ran towards the taxi.

The taxi's window was broken and the door was bent out of shape. There was smoke coming from the back of the car too. There was only a driver wearing a cap. He had been hurt but wanted to escape through the passenger side door. He saw Zhao Yu approaching him and he quickly took out a gun. He put his arm out and shot at Zhao Yu!

Bang bang! The bullets hit Zhao Yu but he could not feel anything. He was still running towards the taxi. He grabbed the driver's wrist and pulled back. This person's shoulder made a cracking sound.

"Ah!" The driver groaned and the gun fell onto the ground.

Zhao Yu grabbed the driver's broken arm, turned around and put it on his shoulder. He pulled it up and jerked forward ferociously!

"Ah!" The driver groaned again. His shoulder was almost out of the socket! Zhao Yu wanted to jerk him out of the car and carry him out but he was too heavy, so he only managed to break his arm instead.

Zhao Yu had no choice. He grabbed the driver's collar with his right hand and pulled him out of the car. The driver nearly fainted because of the pain. When Zhao Yu pulled him out through the window, the driver fell on his face because he was too heavy. The person's face was revealed when the cap fell off. The driver was none other than the criminal that the police were after: Hao Gang!!!

Zhao Yu was afraid that Hao Gang would attack him, so he kicked him on the back of his head and ears. When he saw Hao Gang lying on the ground without any strength to fight back, he pulled Hao Gang up from the ground to put cuff him.

Zhang Jingfeng and Liang Huan were dumbfounded. They did not understand what happened. Why had Zhao Yu bet his life on this taxi driver?

The two of them got out of the car and walked closer. Before they could ask what happened, Zhao Yu shouted, "What are you two doing? Quick, take a photo for me!" Hao Gang had no strength to stand on his feet, so Zhao Yu had to hold him with both hands. He took a few photos with different poses but he was not satisfied. He took some blood from Hao Gang's face and wiped it on his own face. "Alright, this show's that I fought furiously with the criminal. Hurry up! Take a photo now!"

Zhang Jingfeng took more than ten photos on Zhao Yu's cue. He also tried different angles and poses. After that, Zhao Yu told Liang Huan to call higher-ups to tell them that the suspect for the Mianling Case, Hao Gang, had been arrested!

"Hao Gang! This is Hao Gang?" Zhang Jingfeng and Liang Huan were still confused. But when they found out that he was the culprit of the Mianling Case, the two of them were extremely delighted. No wonder

Zhao Yu said he would make them rich! They would be awarded with big rewards when Hao Gang was arrested!

This Hao Gang looked like he did not have an arm. He was disoriented to the point of being disabled, and there were wounds all over his face. He had lost the superior look that he used to have.

“Hao Gang!” Zhao Yu was injured too but he was excited. He shouted at Hao Gang, “You are arrested for kidnapping, murder, illegal imprisonment, sex crimes, etc! Hmph! This time, you can’t run anymore!”

When Hao Gang was moved to the police car, Zhao Yu pulled Zhang Jingfeng and Liang Huan to one side. He told them, “Listen up, the two of you! Tell the higher-ups that you two were taking me to the hospital. I saw Hao Gang when we were driving on Qinshan Bridge, so we crashed into him to capture him! Understand?”

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Understood!” Liang Huan nodded then asked, “But why?”

“Nonsense! Do you need me to explain further?” Zhao Yu scolded. “If I say that I found Hao Gang using a location tracker, we would be screwed! I would be admitting that I knew where he was but I didn’t report it! Are you looking for trouble? You think about it yourself, if you want more cash, tell them what I said. If not, we won’t get a single penny, but punishment. Get it?”

“Got it! Got it!” Zhang Jingfeng quickly scratched Zhao Yu’s back. “Little Zhao, I made a really wise decision by following you! You are the best! Who knew you would include us in this. Aiya, I’m so touched.” Liang Huan finally understood and took Zhao Yu’s hands in his won to express his gratitude.

“Cough! Good brothers share!” Zhao Yu said, but in his head he was thinking, “Nonsense! If I had not injured myself and was worried that I couldn’t take down Hao Gang on my own, I wouldn’t share this with the two of you!” Hao Gang was still arrested by Zhao Yu in the end!

Just as the other police officers had chased Hao Gang to the airport, Zhao Yu was watching the live situation through the invisible surveillance camera, and knew his position from the location tracking device. The cunning Hao Gang had made his driver drive the car towards the airport, then found himself a taxi to run away some other way.

Zhao Yu wanted to report to the higher-up, but from the camera, he saw that Hao Gang was alone. There was no need for the whole team to take him down. So he opted for Zhang Jingfeng and Liang Huan.

Hao Gang was taken away in a police car. The big suitcase that he brought along was confiscated as well. Although they knew that whatever was in the suitcase was worth a lot of money, it was evidence, so they did not touch it.

It was meant to be another sleepless night. All Qinshan police officers were affected. Although it had been a rather big case, the public was still unaware of the Mianling Case.

The leaders had their concerns. They were afraid that it would turn out to be a joke if there was any misinformation, so they decided to interrogate Hao Gang and make an announcement once they were sure.

Rongyang branch had no psychology clinic, so Liang Sisi was sent to the city branch for special assistance and care, and to verify her identity. She would get treatment from experts to find out what happened in the Mianling Case. Hao Gang was locked up in Rongyang branch. Like Hou Meng, he needed treatment and interrogation.

Since Zhao Yu had been shot, he was sent to the hospital. The bullet shot through his left shoulder but was not still inside him. Doctors only needed to stop the bleeding, disinfect the wound, and stitch him up. The doctor told Zhao Yu to admit himself but he refused. He left for the police station immediately after getting stitches to find out what had happened.

Zhao Yu had not slept for two nights, and his body was extremely exhausted, but the truth of the Mianling Case would be revealed soon. He felt only excitement. But before the results were out, something else happened first.

“You have completed today’s adventure,” the system spoke in Zhao Yu’s head. “The completion rate for today is 105%! Congratulations! You have been awarded with one invisible device. Please accept!”

## **Chapter 222: What to Do Against Stubbornness?**

It was already dawn. The sun was rising on the horizon. Zhao Yu was just entering the police station. Before he could inquire on the progress of Hao Gang’s interrogation, the System notification suddenly sounded in his mind.

Holy sh\*t! One-hundred and five percent!?! What...what is this? He had surpassed one-hundred percent? Could it be...the completion rate for the system did not have a limit?

Zhao Yu immediately clicked open the item in his mind. Jesus Christ, one-hundred and five percent completion rate, what kind of amazing treasure was this? In the end, Zhao Yu only obtained one item reward. The item’s was called: invisible defibrillator!

Invisible Defibrillator? What’s this? Zhao Yu immediately looked up the introduction. The introduction said that this was a high-level item, and would automatically be activated when needed. The item was used on the heart, and could be used for self-preservation or to save others. As usual, the efficacy rate was 100%!

Oh...Even though this item was not as simple or as straightforward as the invisible x-ray vision, Zhao Yu could feel this item was quite amazing!

Restarting the heart! And automatically too? One-hundred percent efficacy rate. “Could this thing could save my life in an emergency?” he wondered. But the instructions were quite clear. Only under regular circumstances was the efficacy rate one-hundred percent. In other words, this item could only be used while the heart could still be revived. If the person was completely dead, or was in pieces, then even one-hundred of these things could not help!

After he obtained the item, Zhao Yu examined his item list thoroughly. He noticed that after Hao Gang's capture, the amount on the list had decreased drastically. Regular items like trackers, bugs, night vision, lie detectors, and skeleton keys were gone, without a single one left. It seemed that even though he had saved up many items, in a state of emergency, he would use many of them. It seemed that from now on, he had to work extra hard and save up more tools.

Even though he had just completed the adventure from the day before, Zhao Yu did not spare any time and opened the next one right away. This time, he got the "Zhen-Gen" hexagram.

"Zhen-Gen" Hexagram! It seemed that today his status would increase and he would be more successful at work! Actually, seeing the astronomical one-hundred and five percent completion rate, Zhao Yu had already prepared himself. With such a high completion rate, this surely meant that Hao Gao was the true criminal of the Mianling Case! Technically, he had already solved the Mianling case! Thus, today, the truth behind the incredible case that had puzzled Qinshan police for twenty-six years may finally be revealed!

When he returned to the office, Zhao Yu saw that everyone was looking at him with shock and admiration. To think this guy could fight so fiercely while being wounded! Such spirit was truly incredible.

This time, Zhao Yu, without a doubt, would be massively rewarded. If it had not been for his incredible performance, no one knew just how long it would take them to solve the Mianling Case. After some simple inquiries from his other colleagues, Zhao Yu quickly beckoned over Zhang Jingfeng, Liang Huan, and Li Beini, and asked about the progress on the investigation.

Li Beini said that the city branch had already announced the news. Since the DNA was a match, there was now concrete evidence that the female who had been locked away by Hao Gang was in fact Liang Sisi, who had disappeared twenty-six years ago! But the experts said that Liang Sisi's mental state was very unstable. Due to having been locked away for so long, many of her bodily capabilities had deteriorated. She could no longer interact normally with other people. If they wanted information regarding the Mianling Case from her, they would have wait for a long time.

Liang Huan told Zhao Yu that the headquarters had given their command. Originally, the order to capture Han Wenjun was quite smooth. Han Wenjun was captured in his own home, with little resistance. Yet after his capture, Han Wenjun announced that he had a major asthma attack, requiring a pill to calm the symptoms.

The investigators who were responsible for apprehending Han Wenjun did not think too much, and allowed him to take the pill. However, the pill contained cyanide poison. Clearly Han Wenjun was attempting suicide!

Even though a more experienced investigator had tried his best to remove some of the poison in his mouth, the poison had still taken effect, and Han Wenjun was currently unconscious in the hospital, undergoing emergency treatment. Thus, the hope to further understand the Mianling Case from Han Wenjun was also impossible.

But because Han Wenjun had attempted suicide, it meant he was hiding something. This person was very likely to be one of the culprits of the Mianling Case. He had long prepared the poison for himself, clearly worried that the police would capture him one day.

If that was the case, then the only way to learn the truth behind the Mianling Case was to interrogate Hao Gang. Yet Hao Gang was experienced with the world and was immensely sly. Ever since he had been taken to the interrogation room, he would not confess anything, only speaking of his painful injury and his inability to remember anything.

The people responsible for Hao Gang's interrogation were Liu Changhu, Mao Wei, and Miao Ying. The three of them tried one after another, and expended all their methods, but Hao Gang still refused to admit anything.

Zhang Jingfeng told Zhao Yu that the most annoying part was that the lawyer Hao Gang hired, Feng Chaoyang, had arrived. This person was famous in the legal world. As soon as he arrived, he threatened the police, saying that the police force was abusing their authority, accusing the innocent, etc. At the moment, he was in the interrogation room "protecting" Hao Gang.

Apparently, the man was incredibly arrogant, and put constant pressure on the police in the interrogation room. He said that Hao Gang was severely injured and required emergency treatment, and made numerous attempts to get Hao Gang's released.

This did not shock Zhao Yu in the least. He had expected this type of situation. The Mianling Case was a murder case. If Hao Gang admitted his involvement, he was doomed to die. Thus Hao Gang was definitely struggling as much as he could. There was no doubt he would take any chance, even if there was just a tiny bit of hope.

Similarly, since Zhao Yu had expected it, he obviously had plans to deal with it. He immediately pulled Zhang Jingfeng to the side. "Zhang, I need a few things. Please find them as soon as possible. First, I need Hao Jiajun's medical record!"

"Hao Jiajun?" His teammates were shocked.

"Yes!" Zhao Yu gave Hao Jiajun's phone number to Li Beini. He said, "Beini, I need you to track the number and see where Hao Jiajun was."

"Wait!" Li Beini was very intelligent and immediately realized a possibility. She asked with some worry, "Senior, do you...want to use Hao Jiajun? Use the son as a bargaining chip?"

Li Beini's words sent a shiver up Liang Huan's spine, who immediately refused. "No! That's not allowed! Zhao, we can't use violence against violence. It would end up being kidnapping!"

"Hehehe!" Zhao Yu smiled gently. "Don't worry! I know that. Last time, I nearly got fired trying to catch Hou Meng. How could I do it again this time? We are police officers, how could we possibly end up being kidnappers?"

"Then," the teammates were suddenly more confused, "what are you planning on doing?"

“Hehehe, you guys just don’t understand!” Zhao Yu laughed sneakily as he spoke to Liang Huan. “Liang, I heard that you used to be a part of the Forgery Department, and know how to forge documents. Could you help me forge a doctor’s diagnosis?”

“No problem,” Liang Huan promised. “If you can really force Hao Gang to confess, I can even get you a real diagnosis!”

“Okay!” Zhao Yu nodded in satisfaction. “Actually, forcing Hao Gang to confess isn’t as complicated as everyone thinks.”

“Here!” Before Zhao Yu could finish his sentence, Zhang Jingfeng already handed Zhao Yu a piece of printed information. “This is Hao Jiajun’s medical record! But just what are you going to do with it?”

Zhao Yu looked at it carefully and quickly found what he needed. “Look, other than checking his blood every year, Hao Jiajun also has a specifically appointed time to see the dentist!”

“Dentist?!” Now his teammates are even more confused.

“Ah?!” Li Beini suddenly pointed at the computer screen. “Senior, Hao Jiajun’s phone signal suddenly disappeared. I can’t locate him. Did...something happen to him?”

“Hehe.” Zhao Yu stood up and said with infinite confidence, “Don’t worry. Whether something happened to Hao Jiajun or not isn’t our business! Now,” Zhao Yu grabbed the documents, “I need to do something! To force Hao Gang into confessing, we have to wait another day! We’ve already waited twenty-six years, we can wait another morning, right?”

### **Chapter 223: This Is an illusion**

Zhao Yu went out and finished his own chores before the clock stuck ten. In order for his plan to turn out perfectly, he had to head home to take a nap. He wanted to go to the bathhouse to make himself feel better but he could not as he was wounded.

Zhao Yu got back to the police station at about twelve o’clock. He was hungry before he came in so he ordered takeout from KFC and prepared to spend the day beating around the bush with Hao Gang. Zhao Yu did not go to the office but he headed towards the detention room. He was holding a stack of documents in his left hand and carrying his food in his right.

Coincidentally, Zhao Yu ran into Feng Caoyang, a famous lawyer, yelling at the police officers. This guy was known to be arrogant, but he did not even have any respect for Bureau Chief Zhou. He shouted at the detention door, “You policemen are unreasonable. You have violated the standards of interrogation. Just you wait, I am going to file a lawsuit and sue Rongyang Police Station. My client is a taxpayer, a remarkable businessman in Qinshan. How could you lock him up by force and detain him for no legitimate reason?”

“Hey, you are a lawyer, how can you talk like that?” Bureau Chief Luan Xiaoxiao refuted. Hao Gang is a suspect in the Mianling Case. We have the right to proceed with this as a felony crime. Your standards are not applicable for this situation.”

“What? Are you kidding me?!” Feng Caoyang said, “A Mianling Case suspect?! Did I hear you wrong? Where’s your evidence? Show me your evidence! If you don’t have any, this is defamation. Did you know that? You have to take legal responsibility!”

“Mr. Feng.” Bureau Chief Zhou Andong was there too. He seemed a little anxious and shouted at the lawyer, “It is verified that the woman that was illegally detained is the Mianling Case’s lost victim, Liang Sisi. Is that not evidence?”

“Oh, Please!” Feng Caoyang taunted, “My client doesn’t know Liang Sisi, okay? Have you checked thoroughly? Liang Sisi was detained in CEO Hao’s office, but there is no evidence that shows that Liang Sisi was detained by the CEO! The secret room is the CEO’s but he doesn’t know where that woman came from. He had no idea!”

“Hey, that’s a lie!” Bureau Chief Luan was so angry. “Liang Sisi was illegally detained by Hao Gang for God knows how long. Do you think you can just escape with ‘I don’t know’? Hao Gang is guilty until proven otherwise. He had a gun, kidnapped, and tried to murder our police officer. That he can’t deny!”

“What the hell!” Feng Caoyang yelled, “So this is how you policemen work? Penalizing people as you wish without looking for the truth! My client said that it was the police officer that tried to kill him! This might just be your tactic!”

“You!” Bureau Chief Zhou was so angry that he was trembling. He had no way around this lawyer that flipped the truth around. Bureau Chief Zhou was here because Feng Caoyang used his connections to put pressure on the police station. That explained why Bureau Chief Zhou was on edge.

“My client is severely injured. His arm might be disabled!” Feng Caoyang continued shouting, “He has to get proper treatment at the hospital. If you drag this on and cause my client any harm, who would take responsibility?”

Bureau Chief Zhou and Bureau Chief Luan were surrounded by many other police officers, including Liu Changhu. None of them replied but stood alongside the two bureau chiefs.

Zhao Yu could not help but scoff at what he saw. He waved at one of the police officers and asked him to come over. He poured out all of the burgers in the bag into the police officer’s arms before he responded. Then he spread open the plastic bag and prepared to throw the bag over the lawyer’s head. At that time, the lawyer was still blabbing non-stop while all of the police officers and bureau chiefs remained silent.

Zhao Yu waited for the right time then threw the plastic bag over the lawyer’s head. Then he punched and kicked the lawyer until he fell down on the ground. He even kicked him a few more times after he fell.

The lawyer was confused—he had been beaten up without even knowing it. He rolled into a ball and groaned. Zhao Yu came and left so quickly. He entered the detention room right after he kicked Feng Caoyang.

The lawyer then took off the plastic bag and stood up clumsily. He roared, “Who? Who is it? Who hit me?”

Bureau Chief Zhou and Bureau Chief Luan saw what happened and knew that the person who had hit him was Zhao Yu, but what Zhao Yu did made them feel delighted. Bureau Chief Zhou pretended to be in shock and asked, "Are you okay, lawyer? Are you hallucinating?"

"Yeah," the other police officer followed. "Maybe you didn't sleep for a night and got too tired? Maybe you had a nightmare?"

Luan Xiaoxiao's eyes were really sharp. He saw the police officer carrying all of the KFC burgers. He gestured for the police officer to leave that instant. The police officer realized what he meant and quickly turned around to leave.

"You...All of you...All of you are going overboard! How dare you hit me! I want to sue all of you!" The lawyer's eyes had gotten all red but he suddenly felt a black shadow fly behind him. He jumped and turned around as though he was frightened. But it was the metal door of detention room that was behind him. He then saw Mao Wei limping out. The lawyer felt odd and wanted to rush into the detention room, but the metal door was already locked and he could not open it.

In the detention room, there was only Zhao Yu, Miao Ying, and the ragged Hao Gang, with a bandage around his arm. Zhao Yu had intended to make Miao Ying leave too, but Miao Ying knew his behavior, so she was worried that Zhao Yu would do irreversible damage. She insisted on staying.

After a night of interrogation, Miao Ying seemed exhausted. Hao Gang was weary as well. But Zhao Yu had taken a break so he was very energetic.

Zhao Yu waved his hand at Miao Ying, as if saying, "Stay far away from me, don't interfere my interrogation." Miao Ying sent him a death glare but she understood Zhao Yu's expertise in this, so she went to the other side quietly.

No one likes to meet their enemy. Hao Gang saw that the person who just came in was the police officer that had unleashed chaos in Rongtian Corporation Building the previous night, and he had even broke his arm. He was trembling with anger.

Zhao Yu walked over to Hao Gang, but he saw that the camera was on so he walked past him and turned it off.

"Hao Gang!" Zhao Yu walked towards Hao Gang and said calmly, "To save time, I will keep it short. Let me tell you some good news. Han Wenjun took some poison to commit suicide. Even though he isn't dead yet, it's pretty hopeless. I think my colleagues that interrogated you earlier didn't tell you that, right?"

What Zhao Yu said had gotten Hao Gang's attention. Miao Ying was startled and shook her hand at Zhao Yu. It was obvious that Miao Ying was saying, "How could you tell Hao Gang that? If he knows that Han Wenjun killed himself, he will be fearless. That does not do any good for the interrogation."

Zhao Yu couldn't care and whispered into Hao Gang's ear,, "Boss Hao! Han Wenjun thought he could just die and run away from this. But in actuality, whether Han Wenjun is alive or dead, his sons and grandchildren can't escape! They're all in big trouble!"

## **Chapter 224: The Sinful Exchange**



Zhao Yu's words pierced through Hao Gang like a spear, his body suddenly quivering a little. At the same time, Miao Ying's expression also changed. Other than shock, there was also a bit of worry. She was concerned that Zhao Yu would once again use some unorthodox method, even possibly breaking the law. But Hao Gang was indeed experienced in life. After the initial shock, he quickly calmed down.

"Hehe!" Zhao Yu laughed. The laugh was especially evil. He immediately pulled out a photo and showed Hao Gang. In the photo was a girl smiling brightly. "Boss Hao, this girl's name is Liang Shuhan. How come she looks so familiar?"

Zhao Yu purposely waved the picture in front of Hao Gang and continued, "When Liang Shuhan was kidnapped, she was twelve-years-old, in the sixth grade! This child was always studious and polite. If she was alive right now, she would definitely be the pinnacle of this nation! Sigh, too bad." Zhao Yu sighed, then glanced at Hao Gang coldly. "But the point of my speech isn't the girl, but her father!"

When Zhao Yu said that, Hao Gang seemed to have understood something. He looked more and more stunned, as if Zhao Yu had already found his weakness. Yet Miao Ying was more and more confused. Just what was Zhao Yu trying to do?

"Liang Wangan. You should know this name, right?" Zhao Yu smiled a little. "Liang Wangan's is just as rich as you. You two even worked together before, tsk tsk. You should know what kind of person Liang Wangan is now. His background isn't clean for sure. If he knew that you were the kidnapper of the Mianling Case, his daughter's murderer, and that you also won't confess, whew...I...I look forward to it."

"You...what are you trying to do?" Hao Gang's expression was distorted slightly.

"Liang Wangan was thirty-seven when he finally had Liang Shuhan, his only child, his treasure, his princess! Even though once Liang Shuhan disappeared, Liang Wangan remarried many times, he never had another child! All of his wealth and riches could only be inherited by his nephews. If it was you, wouldn't you be sad?" Zhao Yu's words were like knives, cutting through Hao Gang's resistance. "Boss Hao, if Liang Wangan knew you were the murderer of his daughter, what would he do?"

Speaking this much, Zhao Yu pulled out the doctor's diagnosis that Liang Huan prepared for him and handed it to Hao Gang. "Boss Hao, Liang Wangan's already seventy-five-years-old this year. Unfortunately, he has a terminal illness and will die soon! I think he doesn't have the patience to wait for an official sentencing! He'd throw away all his riches and teach you a lesson—an eye for an eye!!!" After Zhao Yu's words, everybody was silent.

Miao Ying understood Zhao Yu's approach, but did not believe that Zhao Yu could only rely on Liang Wangan to force Hao Gang into confessing. As it turned out, she was correct. Hao Gang simply ignored Zhao Yu, refusing to say a word.

"Hmph!" Zhao Yu laughed again. "Boss Hao truly is slick and sly with infinite wisdom! Last night, did you think that you already took care of everything? Your son's hidden? Did you know? I already knew Hao Jiajun from a long time ago. At that time, I always suspected if Hao Jiajun really is your son?" Hearing this, Hao Gang and Miao Ying both raised their head. Their eyebrows raised in shock.

“But the truth is, he really is your son!” Zhao Yu changed the topic. “The reason I couldn’t understand was because even though you did something so terrible, you should be able to imagine how bad it would be if your son was kidnaped. So you should’ve set up countless bodyguards around Hao Jiajun! Yet every time I saw him, even during that bomb act, he was always by himself. This was the reason for my deep suspicion!”

“You...what are you trying to say?” Hao Gang was a little agitated.

“Later on I realized that you must have had some sort of protection for Hao Jiajun!” Zhao Yu laughed. “I used to work for someone in this sort of business, I knew a way to put the most advanced GPS on a child. Even if the child was kidnapped, they would know his real-time location, so this way, the child’s safety could be easily guaranteed!”

“Thus, I thought, did you do that to Hao Jiajun?” Zhao Yu suddenly pulled out a photo. “Ding ding ding! To think I guessed right!” You used the most classic method—his teeth! Hao Jiajun’s medical record showed that he periodically went to the dentist. From sixteen-years-old, it never stopped, and it was very organized!

“Hehehe, as it turns out, it wasn’t because he had to check his teeth, but to change the GPS inside of his teeth!” Zhao Yu then handed a set of documents to Hao Gang. “I’ve already asked the doctor, and along the way, found the source of Hao Jiajun’s GPS. Heh, now it’s time for a miracle!”

ZhaoYu pulled out his own phone and turned on a tracking software, then pointed at the blinking position. “This is your son’s real-time position. This is quite advanced, even better than the ones the police have! Look, look, your son didn’t even leave Qinshan! Where is this? Baishui street, nothing special. Why did you hide him there?”

Seeing Zhao Yu’s GPS tracker, Hao Gang went completely stiff! His blood-shot eyes bulged as he stared at Zhao Yu, his expression twisted further as he shook.

“Whew,” Zhao Yu exhaled and tapped a few times on the software, then put the phone in front of Hao Gang. He said, “Hao Gang, with a tap of my finger, your son’s real-time position will be sent to Liang Wangan. As for the result—”

“You...you dare?!” Hao Gang suddenly roared like an angered bull, “That’s illegal, that’s murder!”

“Hmph! You’re telling me what’s illegal?!” Zhao Yu’s words were like ice. “Hao Gang, you have to pay your own debt! How does it feel after twenty-six years? Four innocent children, one hardworking man and driver, and Liang Sisi, who took all your abuse! How many families were ruined by you guys?! Were their lives not worth anything?! You guys don’t even have any basic humanity, you guys are all animals! Hmph...pah!” Zhao Yu spit on Hao Gang’s face, then yelled, “Why wouldn’t I dare? Your son is a good son, so what about others’? I think, not only would Liang Wangan happily arrange a funeral for your son with his daughter, but many other families would also be happy to see it! Not only that, but they’d be happy to see Hao Jiajun dead!”

“Hao Gang!” Zhao Yu once again roared in anger, as if reaching the climax of his emotion. “Your son is done for! And remember that it was all because of you!” Zhao Yu raised his thumb, about to press the button.

“Wait! Wait, wait, wait! No! No!” At the climax, as if he was exploding, Hao Gang could no longer take it and yelled manically, “Police...police officer! I beg you, don’t! I just have this one son. My son...he’s innocent!” Hao Gang’s tears were streaming down his face as he sobbed. “Okay! If...if my confession will save my son, please, please?!”

## **Chapter 225: Cycle of the Evil-Doing**

Twenty-seven years ago on one autumn night.

In the backyard of a simple house, Hao Gang prepared a table of dishes to dine and drink with his comrades Han Wenjun and Gao Yang. Hao Gang’s son, Hao Jiajun, was one-month-old. This meal was to celebrate the first month of his son’s life. Although it was a happy occasion, the ambience at the dinner table was really depressing. Hao Gang’s wife, Ah Jun, had recently been diagnosed with aplastic anaemia, a form of leukaemia. It was a death sentence.

“Brother Gang,” Gao Yang could tell Hao Gang miserable and suggested, “why don’t we get some money and bring Ah Jun to the hospital in the city? Who knows, there might be a cure?”

“Sigh!” Hao Gang drank the wine and grieved. “That’s useless! None of the big hospitals could help! I’ve asked. The only way to save her is to send her overseas for surgery! But...money!”

“Brother Gang, how much do you need? You tell us!” Gao Yang patted his chest and said, “We will find a way to get it!”

“No way! It won’t be enough!” Hao Gang shook his head. “The surgery itself would cost at least four-hundred thousand! Even if the three of us sold our houses, it would still be far from enough! Oh my God! Why is my life so difficult! Will my son have to lose his mother after just being born?!”

” Brother Gang!” Gao Yang said, “God blesses good men. Who knows, the doctors might have wrongly diagnosed her. My parents sell herbal medicine, do you want them to recommend her to a Chinese doctor?”

“Wait!” Han Wenjun, who had been quiet, suddenly put his cup down and said to Hao Gang, “Brother Gang! I have a quick way to get money. I don’t know whether you are willing to try. But if it works, you will have money for sister-in-law to consult doctors overseas, and maybe even have enough to live a good life too!”

“What is it? Quick! Tell me!” Hao Gang seemed as though he found his life’s savior. He grabbed Han Wenjun’s hand. “Ah Jun and I have been together since we were young. We grew up together! I would do anything to save Ah Jun!”

“Wenjun,” Gao Yang was worried, “what kind of job? Is it illegal?”

“How could we do anything illegal?” Han Wenjun said. “Have you heard about Cheng Sanli? He contracted a large mining area and is filthy rich now!”

“A contracted mine tunnel? Is it legit?” Gao Yang was worried.

“How is it not legit?” Han Wenjun explained, “I was in the mine exploration team. I heard news saying that there are way more silver deposit left that have yet to be mined. Whoever chooses a good mine tunnel will be secured with a big fortune!”

“But—”

“Recently, I heard, “Han Wenjun continued, “Cheng Sanli’s contracted mine tunnels had about two to three left, and those are more difficult to mine. They would need to import new machines in order to mine them. Cheng Sanli had earned enough, and he thought it was too complicated, so he announced that he would contract it to whoever wants to take up the mine tunnels. I could easily contact them.

“Brother Gang! It requires more capital! But once you mine silver, not only will sister-in-law be saved, but the three of us will also be rich!” Han Wenjun finished.

“Mm...” Hao Gang asked, “How much is the initial capital?”

“The contract fee is at least fifty-thousand, and the machines are about another fifty to sixty-thousand!” Han Wenjun answered.

“So much? We don’t have enough.” Gao Yang felt difficult.

“Go for it!” Hao Gang said firmly. “To save Ah Jun, I would bet everything on this! I could just sell the house!”

“Oh, okay then!” Gao Yang nodded. “I will borrow some money from my parents too!”

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Four months later at the Yinpan mining area.

Hao Gang and the other two went through a lot of trouble and finally got the machines. They started mining the tunnel that they had contracted from Cheng Sanli . After more than ten days of mining, there was good news. They were really lucky! They had found a huge, rare silver deposit! Once it was successfully mined, they could make millions in profit! Hao Gang was overjoyed! He knelt down and cried! He mumbled, “Ah Jun is saved!”

But when Cheng Sanli heard about this, he was overwhelmed by greed. Cheng Sanli brought people to crash into the mining area, tore the contract, and refused to acknowledge their contract!

Hao Gang and the other two were pissed and wanted to negotiate with Cheng Sanli, but Cheng Sanli was a powerful man. He beat up the three of them and returned their contract fees and the cost of importing machines. But Hao Gang had already sold his house by then! The trophy was right in front of him, but he had run into Cheng Sanli, a cunning person! Hao Gang looked for different ways to discuss terms with Cheng Sanli, but he failed miserably.

At that time, the bad news came! His wife died because of a cerebrovascular rupture, and doctors failed to save her. Hao Jiajun then lost his mother at the age of one. From the moment of his wife died, Hao Gang felt entirely hopeless! The seed of hatred had been planted inside of him. From then on, he only held one thought: to take revenge on Cheng Sanli, on behalf of his wife!

So Hao Gang sent his son to a distant relative's house. Then he teamed up with Han Wenjun and Gao Yang and prepared to fight to the death with Cheng Sanli. Han Wenjun and Gao Yang's money had all been taken by Cheng Sanli too. They were cornered and they hated his guts.

The three of them hatched a plan to kidnap Cheng Sanli and demand a huge ransom from his family. The three of them researched Cheng Sanli's daily life, and planned to act when he was on his way back to Mafang town. However, the three of them had never kidnapped anyone before. They realized that they would need a car if they wanted to kidnap Cheng Sanli. But the three of them did not know how to steal a car, and they had no money. So in the end, they decided to just steal a car.

They were on a highway near Mianlin Town. They went in Hujia tunnel and hid, waiting to steal a car. They did not see any other car beside the red van that Niu Weiguang was driving. The three of them wore masks. When Niu Weiguang drove through the tunnel, they stopped the car and rushed in with knives.

Gao Yang was the first one that got into the car. As this was his first time robbing people, he was rather nervous. He shouted in the car, telling everybody to get down!

But something that made him breakdown happened. Liu Hongxiang, who was in the car, could recognize his voice. He yelled at him, "Uncle! Why are you here?!"

Suddenly, the atmosphere in the car was frozen. The three of them then realized that everyone in the van were all primary school kids! Gao Yang thought it was a big mistake and that the three of them should run away! But Hao Gang was furious and commanded Han Wenjun to hold the knife to driver's neck while he threatened the kids not to move. Then the van started moving under Hao Gang's command.

## **Chapter 226: The Shameful Truth**

On the way to the kidnapping, Niu Weiguang begged Hao Gang and the others. He said he was willing to give his own car to them, and promised that them he would never say anything to anyone. He pleaded for them to let the children go! But since Liu Hongxiang had already recognized Gao Yang, how could Hao Gang let them go? If Liu Hongxiang went and told the adults, then their lives were over!

The truth was, at the time, between the three of them, they were all completely confused and lost. None of them knew just what to do. With no way out, the three of them could only continue their original plan. The three of them first forced Niu Weiguang to drive to an abandoned car factory where Gao Yang had previously worked. At the moment it was already dark outside, so no one saw them.

The three first prepared everything ahead of time. They spray painted the entire car, changing the red van to yellow, then put on a fake license plate. This was all Hao Gang's idea. Hao Gang was previously a police officer. Even though he had never done anything illegal before, he had a strong sense on how to avoid capture.

But after they spray painted the van, Gang Yang and Hao Gang had a huge argument. It nearly escalated into a fist fight. Gang Yang stubbornly argued that since their target was Cheng Sanli, they should let the children go. However, Hao Gang was equally as stubborn. He said that if they let the hostages go, their

plan would be ruined. Not only would they gain nothing, but they would also only be left with a life on the run!

Yet, while the two argued, the more agreeable Han Wenju suddenly stopped them and suggested a bold idea. He said since things had turned out like this already, why wouldn't they just change the original plan? All of these children were children of the rich families in Mianling. Why wouldn't they just ignore Cheng Sanli for now and kidnap the kids instead, then ask their parents for ransom!

Hao Gang suddenly realized that this was a possibility, but Gao Yang still refused, saying that he could not kidnap his own nephew and blackmail his cousin. How could he do something so disgusting? Also, what would happen after they got the ransom money? What would they do with the children? Should they be released or not?

Han Wenjun immediately placated Gao Yang, saying that they were only doing this for money and that nobody would get hurt! Once they got the ransom money, they could run away, go to another place, change their name, and live happily! Hao Gang also tried to persuade Gao Yang, and Gao Yang finally agreed. Thus, the three put their kidnapping plan into action.

But hiding people in a car factory was not a good idea. They had to find somewhere more secure. Thus, Han Wenjun immediately thought of the abandoned cavern in Yingpan Mountain, so they moved all of the hostages there.

Even though they had the idea, they did not have any information on the children's parents and could not demand the ransom right away. They had to wait until Hao Gang went to Mianling Town so that he could find out the families' phone number, address, and financial situation before they could start.

Three days later, Hao Gang called the kids' parents and demanded the ransom. Hao Gang already knew how the police operated, so when he was calling the families, he used a public phone in order to confuse the police. In the end, the three safely obtained the huge amount of ransom.

Zhao Yu's guess was right. During the ransom process, it was only Hao Gang and Gao Yang's job. Han Wenjun stayed inside the cavern to guard the hostages.

Gao Yang knew the cliff area well. When Mr. Tao had arrived at the cliff, Gao Yang did not go down to the cliff area right away, but stayed inside a nearby wooded area around the cliff and observed him using a telescope instead. He then used a walkie-talkie to instruct Mr. Tao on how to throw the ransom money down.

Truthfully, only Hao Gang was under the cliff at the time. Once he obtained the ransom, he first removed the tracking device, then put the money inside a huge bag. Since all of the bills from Mr. Tao were new, they were fairly light, so Hao Gang simply took the leather bag along!

Now was the best part! Logically speaking, with so much money on him, it would be impossible for Hao Gang to escape from the police officers looking for him. But the sneaky Hao Gang had already prepared ahead of time. Once he obtained the money, he simply brought it to the mountainside where Gao Yang was. He then used the rope he brought with him and took the money up the mountain.

At the time, not only was Gao Yang waiting on top of the mountain, but he also brought the van over. Gao Yang was familiar with the small hidden paths within the woods. The two of them put the money in

the car, and then made their escape into the night. At the time, the police officers were too focused on searching at the bottom of the cliff, and were completely fooled by the men's diversion.

Suddenly gaining this much money, Gao Yang was especially excited. At the time, he still foolishly believed that they would let the hostages go, then flee with all this money! Yet once he took the money back to the cavern, he was jumped by Han Wenjun, who strangled him with the help of Hao Gang, knocking him out!

As it turned out, Hao Gang and Han Wenjun had already made a plan ahead of time: no matter what, the hostages could not be left alive. Once their identity was revealed, no matter where they ran, they would most likely be captured. Thus, the two had already decided to kill all of the hostages! They feared that Gao Yang would violently resist, so they knocked him out first.

Han Wenjun had already put the dynamite in place. The plan was that once the dynamite went off, everything would disappear in the explosion. Yet, against Han Wenjun's expectations, just as he was about to light the dynamite, Hao Gang stubbornly insisted on taking Liang Sisi along with him.

Han Wenjun could not understand at all. To leave a hostage alive, wouldn't that mean all of their hard work would go to waste? But Hao Gang persisted! He lied to Han Wenjun, saying that the kid was too small and that he had other ways to deal with her!

Actually, the reason why Hao Gang took Liang Sisi with him was for a personal reason—Liang Sisi looked too much like Hao Gang's wife! Hao Gang and his wife Jun grew up together. The Liang Sisi in front of him looked almost exactly like Jun when she was younger! Not only in appearance, but even their small moles were almost exactly the same.

Jun's death had left Hao Gang an empty shell, but ever since he saw the small girl, it was like a new desire had welled up inside of him. Seeing Hao Gang so persistent, Han Wenjun could not do a thing, and let Hao Gang take Liang Sisi away.

At the time, the hostages were all restrained and blindfolded. Up until Han Wenjun began to light the dynamite, the children still innocently believed that they were going to leave alive. They had no clue that the evil Hao Gang and Han Wenjun had no intentions of leaving them alive.

But Niu Weiguang was an adult. When he heard the sizzling sound of the dynamite, he instinctively knew something was wrong. He suddenly jumped up, trying to run away. Yet, coincidentally, he ran right into Hao Gang. At the time, Hao Gang was still holding Mr. Tao's leather bag. On impact, the bag and Hao Gang fell to the ground! Even though Niu Weiguang was restrained, he was very strong. Hao Gang could not move at all under Niu Weiguang.

In shock, Hao Gang took out a knife and stabbed Niu Weiguang numerous times, finally killing him. Hao Gang had wanted to take the money with him, but the dynamite was about to go off. Han Wenjun immediately pulled Hao Gang out of the area.

Just as the two made it out, the dynamite went off. Within moments, the entire cave was filled with smoke. Niu Weiguang and the other four children were buried inside.

When Gao Yang woke up and realized the truth, he nearly had a breakdown. But since it had already happened, he could not do anything about it. Also, he was filled with fear, afraid that Hao Gang and Han Wenjun will also murder him to shut him up!

The sad part was, despite the evil he had committed, Hao Gang had little regret. He looked as if he was revived and told Han Wenjun and Gao Yang confidently that from then on, no one could mention what had happened. If nobody said anything, then they should simply stay in Qinshan and not go anywhere! They would start their career in Qinshan!

### **Chapter 227: An Inevitable Hopeless Outcome**

After the explosion, the three men did not leave immediately, but buried the van at the foot of the mountain. Although they had lost the money that Mr. Tao had given them, they were not upset since they had more cash on hand. Also, they believed that the money had also been destroyed by the explosion, so they did not consider going back to dig it up.

After a few years, Han Wenjun returned to the tunnel. He built a fence to block off the part of the tunnel that had collapsed, as he was afraid that someone would enter the area.

Hao Gang's decision was correct. It was because of the fact that they did not run away that the police were never able to connect them to the case. The more crucial point was that the three of them had not targeted the five kids initially. Just as Zhao Yu had guessed, this Mianling Kidnapping Case had started as an accident. Hence, the police investigation became complicated and difficult.

Although Hao Gang sold his house, he bought it back in the end. He dug an underground basement and hid Liang Sisi inside.

Hao Gang was a very careful person. Until this very day, he had been successful in hiding her. He had never let anybody see Liang Sisi. Even his son, Hao Jiajun, had never seen her.

After the kidnapping, Hao Gang and the other two were extremely careful. They went low profile for a couple of years and did not use any of the ransom money. They only started their business plan when the news died down.

Hao Gang resigned and used the money to open up a warehouse and start a trading company. As a risk taker, he slowly became a successful businessman. His trading business and his power grew tremendously. He gained status in Qinshan very quickly. He then had the capital to fight Cheng Sanli, so he began to think of his mad revenge plan. He used all kinds of methods to torture Cheng Sanli, regardless of the cost, until he ended up with a pitiful life.

Cheng Guangming had not been wrong when he said that Hao Gang was a cruel man. Hao Gang really had instructed someone to rape Cheng Sanli's daughter. And if Cheng Sanli had not hid Cheng Guangming, his son would have been hunted down too, either killed or disabled!

Later on, Cheng Guangming tried to kill Hao Gang. Hao Gang did not die and plotted his revenge again. He spent a big sum of money to have Cheng Guangming sentenced for a heavier punishment, and hired someone to beat him until he lost sight in one eye.



Hao Gang was mentally distorted. Because of Liang Sisi, he had never had any relationship with other women although he was a successful businessman. He always treated Liang Sisi as if she were his dead wife Ah Jun. Everyone thought that Hao Gang was a faithful man. No one knew that the truth was such a scandal.

Only Han Wenjun and Gao Yang knew about the secret of Hao Gang and Liang Sisi. Han Wenjun had always been Hao Gang's right hand man since Hao Gang established Rongtian Corporation. He helped Hao Gang solve a lot of problems. To reward him, Hao Gang made him in charge of the colored metal company under his name.

But as for Gao Yang, it was an entirely different story. Gao Yang had been severely affected by the kidnapping, and his mental health went downhill. Hao Gang and Han Wenjun tried to help him, especially financially, but with the guilt that he was carrying, Gao Yang had been living dreadfully. In the end, he was sent to a mental hospital. After he was admitted to the mental hospital, he always talked incoherently and jabbered on about the Mianling case.

Hao Gang and Han Wenjun felt uneasy about this, and thought that they could not let it go on. If there was someone who took what he said seriously, they would be in big trouble. So they decided to send the bodyguard with a scar on his face into the mental hospital to inject a medicine into Gao Yang that would cause sudden cardiac arrest. As Gao Yang had no relatives, the hospital did not dig too deep. Hao Gang then secretly arranged for Gao Yang to be buried.

With Gao Yang's death and the many years that had gone by, Hao Gang had been feeling better and thought that his secret would be safe for the rest of his life. But God opened his eyes. When the kids' and Niu Weiguang's dead bodies were dug out from the mine and appeared on the front page of the newspaper, Hao Gang was set into a frenzy. He immediately got in touch with Han Wenjun to discuss what they would do. They had even planned their escape route.

The two of them had spent a lot of effort to erase any connection to Cheng Sanli, and to keep close tabs on the police investigation. The two of them waited for a few days anxiously, but they did not see any progress being made on the police's end. They asked their police connections and realized that the police could not connect them with the case due to the lack of evidence even though they had found the dead bodies.

Thus, Hao Gang and Han Wenjun were once again at ease. Hao Gang believed that if he did not leave, no one would ever suspect him. More importantly, he was not ready to let go of his career that he had been working on his whole life. However, Hao Gang's luck was brought to an end when Zhao Yu appeared.

When Zhao Yu had brought up things related to the Mianling Case at Yao Jia's engagement party, his words had terrified Hao Gang, and he felt as though he had been struck by lightning. He never would have expected that an ordinary police officer would link him to the Mianling Case.

Hao Gang did not even care about Yao Jia's party by that point, only about Zhao Yu. He immediately sent his underlinings to look into Zhao Yu. Even though he did not show his emotions at the party, he was flooded with anxiety and insecurity.

After the party, he immediately headed back to Rongtian building to find more information. This time, Zhao Yu had got it right again! The last person that called Hao Gang was Han Wenjun. Han Wenjun told Hao Gang that the police were checking on him and told Hao Gang to be prepared.

Han Wenjun also brought up Liang Sisi and pointed out that she was the only evidence left. If Liang Sisi disappeared, even if the police really came after them, they would not be able to do anything! Thus Hao Gang was prompted to kill Liang Sisi, but their relationship of twenty-six years had led Hao Gang to treat Liang Sisi as his wife Ah Jun. He could not bear to do it. Even if Zhao Yu had not made it on time that day, Hao Gan probably would not have been able to pull the trigger!

But all of this seemed meaningless now! After Hao Gang explained the story from the beginning, there was only silence. Zhao Yu and Miao Ying were quiet. Not only the two of them, but Bureau Chief Zhou, Bureau Chief Luan, and the other detectives outside of the interrogation room were silent too.

Who knew that the truth behind the Qinshan Mianling Case would be like this! An accidental robbery, an unprofessional kidnapping, the brutal killing of hostages, the ransom that was dropped, and the missing girl...all of these elements were linked by a simple story. That made people feel odd yet satisfied.

This Mianling case was not as complicated as they thought it would be. Cheng Sanli did play an important role, but he was not related to the case. But he was not unrelated either, since what he had done led to the Mianling case.

Case closed! Finally, the truth was revealed for such a prominent case! But Zhao Yu felt different after he closed the case. He was not excited, but rather depressed.

Only if Cheng Sanli did not tear up the contract;

Only if the vehicle that entered the tunnel had not been the van driven by Niu Weiguang;

Only if Liu Hongxiang had not called out "Uncle!";

Only if the three of them ran away when Liu Hongxiang recognized Gao Yang;

Only if Hao Gang and Han Wenjun had had some sense after they collected ransom... Then the Mianling case might not have happened. But behind every "if" seemed to be another inevitable outcome that made people feel hopeless. Human hearts are unpredictable, their guiltiness reaching towards the heavens.

Dealing with four kids still in school, Hao Gang and the other two were so cold-hearted that they killed them with dynamite! This cruelty would receive no mercy and was hated by both man and God! For that they had to face justice and go to trial!!!

## **Chapter 228: Fell for Me?**

The Mianling Case was solved! The number one cold case in Qinshan—the Massive Mianling Kidnapping and Murder Case—was solved!!

Obtaining such news, all of Rongyang branch was stunned. Everyone was thunderstruck! Under Bureau Chief Zhou's personal command, the investigators quickly started the complex follow-up work.

As the crucial person in solving this case, Zhao Yu was obviously highly honored. Yet, before Zhao Yu could receive his colleagues and higher-ups' praise, he was cornered at the sink outside the restroom. Zhao Yu had not expected to be cornered by Miao Ying coming out of the bathroom.

"Zhao Yu, what are you doing?" Miao Ying grabbed his collar, pressing him against the wall as she interrogated him angrily. "Hao Gang clearly said that he didn't kidnap you! Tell me, last night at the Rongtian building, what happened? How did you know that Hao Gang had Liang Sisi?"

At this point, Zhao Yu had no need to hide the truth. He told Miao Ying in a straightforward manner, "Team Leader Miao, I asked for some help from the gods, and tried to listen in on Hao Gang's secrets! Unexpectedly, I actually did end up overhearing Hao Gang's huge secret! But I have no evidence, so I couldn't ask for back-up. Because it was an emergency, I thought up this idea!"

"Zhao Yu!" Miao Ying was immediately enraged. She pressed her elbow painfully against Zhao Yu's throat. "You're still making up bullsh\*t, huh? Hmph, to think I risked my life to save you, yet you lied to me? Tell me, did you plant a listening device on Hao Gang? Do you know how dangerous that is?"

"Team Leader Miao, didn't you teach me that?" Zhao Yu retorted with little care. "Didn't you say we had to force Hao Gang? 'Act first ask questions later!' Hehe! To think we ended up getting something! Something huge too!"

"You!" Miao Ying applied more force with her elbow. "So, yesterday, you capturing Hao Gang on the Qinshan Bridge wasn't an accident either? You already knew his location?"

"That I did not!" Here, Zhao Yu obviously would not admit to knowing. "If you don't believe me, you can ask Zhang Jingfeng and Liang Huan. We really did run into him on the bridge by accident! When I saw Hao Gang, I immediately rammed the car into him. Boom, bam, Hao Gang had a gun too! You didn't see how amazing I was!"

"Zhao Yu!" Miao Ying did not believe him in the least and yelled angrily, "You knew the truth but didn't report it! You're selfish! You just wanted the prize money for yourself, but what if we didn't catch Hao Gang? Think about the consequences!"

Yet before Miao Ying could finish, Zhao Yu suddenly twisted Miao Ying's wrist and turned around, quickly pushing Miao Ying against the wall instead. Their bodies were pressed closely together. His hand slammed against the wall enacting a legendary Kabedon situation!

This came too suddenly, and with Zhao Yu's force, Miao Ying could not react at all. With the two so intimately pressed together, her face suddenly flushed red!

"Team Leader Miao!" Zhao Yu's face still had a teasing expression. "No need to say more! I understand! Right now, you are scolding me, blaming me, all because you were worried about me, afraid for my safety! I'm truly touched that you care so much for me. Did you fall for me? I really like you..." Zhao Yu even shamelessly tried to press his mouth against Miao Ying's face, attempting another kiss.

“B\*stard!” Miao Ying obviously would not let him do as he wish. A back-elbow twist turned Zhao Yu around, then the two of them swapped positions. Zhao Yu’s face was pressed harshly against the wall by Miao Ying.

“Zhao Yu, you pervert!” Miao Ying growled in a low voice. “A truly shameless b\*stard! I’m worried about you because of our cooperation, our secret mission! Why would I fall for a b\*stard like you?”

“Ow...” Zhao Yu felt Miao Ying’s force and knew he could not resist. He simply went with the situation and showed a painful expression. “My elbow...elbow...”

Miao Ying finally remembered Zhao Yu’s elbow was hurt and immediately let go. Yet, just as she let go, Zhao Yu riled up and twisted her hand backwards, once again switching their position and pushing Miao Ying against the wall.

But Miao Ying was an expert. Seeing Zhao Yu’s resistance, she immediately extended her hand to grab Zhao Yu’s neck. Zhao Yu was equally as skilled, and bent down as he pushed into Miao Ying’s stomach, lifting her into the air then pressing her against the sink, forcing her to sit on the edge of the sink.

“Ah...” Seeing Zhao Yu with the advantage, Miao Ying’s frustration turned to anger as she pounded at Zhao Yu’s back.

“Hey!” Zhao Yu grabbed Miao Ying’s hand and yelled, “Miao Renfeng! Enough! Can you not mention the secret mission anymore? Do you think it’s fun to keep up the act? Trying to deceive me with a stupid kid’s phone? Helping your junior? Sawatdee ka!” Even though Zhao Yu spoke nothing but gibberish, but when Miao Ying heard, she could not help but be stunned.

“You...you...” Miao Ying’s large eyes sparkled as she asked in disbelief, “You...how did you know?”

“Hmph!” Zhao Yu tightly grabbed Miao Ying’s hands. “I easily revealed Hao Gang’s secret, much less yours. Miao Renfeng, let me warn you, don’t play me like this from now on! Otherwise, you’ll only hurt yourself! Hmph.” Zhao Yu started humming a tune. The tune, was the one Miao Ying hummed in her shower.

At the moment, Miao Ying was even more thunderstruck. Within a moment, she realized that Zhao Yu was way more powerful than she thought! Apparently, this man was not only good at solving cases and being a pervert—he was also terrifying!

“Zhao Yu, bro, you...” Just as Miao Ying sat there in shock, Lan Bo suddenly came from outside, yelling, “Zhao Yu, are you in the restroom? Bureau Chief Zhou...mm...”

When Lan Bo entered the bathroom, he was taken aback by the strange scene in front of him! Seeing Miao Ying sitting on the sink, with Zhao Yu standing right in front of Miao Ying, their bodies so close. This scene was very common in movies, except Zhao Yu and Miao Ying both still had their clothes on.

Miao Ying’s face was bright red, she immediately hopped down from the sink, and cursed at Lan Bo, “What are you looking at? You haven’t seen someone tease a girl before?!”

Hearing that, Lan Bo nearly collapsed! This was the legendary Miao Renfeng! To think that Zhao Yu dared...dared to tease her?!

“Cough...” Seeing Miao Ying leaving, Zhao Yu immediately returned to a more serious nature. “Hm, also, Team Leader Miao! I had something I wanted to tell you! Even though Liu Wangan doesn’t have a terminal illness, Han Wenjun’s tracking device is real. I had to break the teeth off those dentists before they told me! I think the Mianling Case was unlike any other case. If the victims’ families knew the truth, Hao Jiajun...”

“I know! I know what to do!” Miao Ying nodded then immediately left, despite looking a little awkward. But even so, when Miao Ying passed by Lan Bo, Lan Bo could not help but shiver.

“You were looking for me, Lan Bo?” Once Miao Ying left, Zhao Yu finally patted down his clothing and the bandages that came off. “What is it?!”

“Bureau Chief Zhou is looking for you!” Lan Bo finally remembered why he came, and said to Zhao Yu, “He asked you to go to his office! Yu...Yu...” Originally, Lan Bo had wanted to ask about Zhao Yu about Miao Ying. His mouth was open for some time, but no words came out.

### **Chapter 229: The Apology that Came Late**

Needless to say, Bureau Chief Zhou complimented Zhao Yu and said, “Zhao Yu’s performance was remarkable! His work and effort is highly recognized in closing the Mianling Case.”

Apparently, Bureau Chief Zhou had been under heavy pressure ever since Hao Gang was detained. Business associates, business representatives, municipal bureau leaders, and even municipal committee members called to pressure him. They urged him to deal with Hao Gang with extreme care since he had a special background. There could be serious consequences if anything went wrong.

Due to those reasons, the lawyer Feng Caoyang was so barbaric and unleashed his wrath at the police officers fearlessly. But when he that saw Hao Gang had confessed through the surveillance camera, he stunned and finally fled with his tail in between his legs!

“Son, that was amazing!” Bureau Chief Zhou gave Zhao Yu a thumbs up. “Beating up Feng Caoyang was great. You did great! I was dying to give him a few punches too! Hehehehe...” Bureau Chief Zhou was so excited that he could not speak.

Since Zhao Yu knew that Bureau Chief Zhou was happy, he took the opportunity to admit that he had not been kidnapped. He told him that he had accidentally heard about Hao Gang’s involvement but he had no evidence to request for backup. So he lied about being kidnapped.

Bureau Chief Zhou obviously did not blame him, but praised him for being smart and said that desperate times called for desperate measures. He definitely understood. He told Zhao Yu not to worry and that that he would explain on behalf of Zhao Yu when writing the closing report.

In the end, Bureau Chief Zhou advised Zhao Yu, “You’re injured and you’ve been working so hard, you must be exhausted! You have to go home and rest. Let your colleagues help you wrap up all the work. Don’t worry! Whether it’s recognition or a cash reward, you’ll get your share!”

Zhao Yu felt delighted when he heard that. He was really exhausted. He had not gotten any proper rest for the past couple of days. His body was worn out. Rest was just what he needed. So he went home straight after he left the Bureau Chief's office.

Although Zhao Yu's mind was preoccupied with the Mianling Case, his exhaustion sent him to sleep really quickly. He slept for the whole day. He did not eat, and he did not even hear the system's ending message.

The next day when he woke up, he realized that he had an extra device in his system—an invisible bullet proof suit, signifying the completion of his adventure for the previous day. He had no idea what his adventure completion rate had been.

Zhao Yu was finally re-energized after a good sleep. With the start of a new day, he was full of motivation and saw a bright future ahead of him. So with this amazing feeling, he smoked a cigarette to get a new hexagram. The result was the same as the previous day: a "Zhen-Gen" hexagram. It seemed that his status would increase again. There was always a new achievement to be made in his career.

Zhao Yu knew that the Mianling Case was not small. This case affected many things. As the suspect, Hao Gang, was a public figure in Qinshan, the trial would be complicated and lengthy. It was definitely not a case that could be closed within a few days.

Just as he had predicted, when Zhao Yu got to the police station after having breakfast, there was a crowd at Rongyang Police Station, both in and outside of the station. The police might have announced the news. Reporters from every media outlet gathered to get an interview. To the people in Qinshan, this case was no less important than a deadly bomb that was destined to cause a shockwave.

Zhao Yu knew that the reporters were difficult to deal with. He immediately entered the building via the back entrance. But who knew it would be just as crowded in the lobby? He had no choice but to go upstairs, and attempted to take another route to the office.

As Zhao Yu had slept since yesterday afternoon, he had no idea what was going on. "How has the case developed? Is there anything new?" he wondered. He wanted to find out soon.

When he passed the identification bureau, he found an even bigger crowd, far larger than the one in the lobby. In the crowd Zhao Yu saw a few familiar faces, such as Mr. and Mrs. Tao and the other family members of the victims. The ambience was rather depressing and there were people crying. Zhao Yu guessed that the case had been closed and that the bodies of the kids could now be claimed.

Just when Zhao Yu walked through the crowd to confirm that, he heard an old and eager voice. "Zhang Ying! It has been tough for both you and your child all these years!" The one who spoke was Liang Wanqian, an old man. He was holding his cane, standing in front of Niu Weiguang's wife when he said regrettably, "We accused Ah Guang wrongly! Ah Guang was a good man. It was our fault to have forced you and your son to move away back then! I apologize!" The old man then threw his cane and knelt in front of Zhang Ying and her child.

Zhang Ying was frightened and immediately bent down to hold him. Then Mr. Tao and the other parents all went in front of her and knelt as well.

“We wrongly accused Ah Guang! We’re so sorry!” Mrs. Tao cried, “We shouldn’t have wrongly accused a good man! After all these years, we are so sorry!”

“It’s all our fault!”

“...” Hearing all of these apologies that had come late, Zhang Ying wept. “Weiguang, did you hear that? I’ve waited for the day that you would be proved innocent! Wooo... You can now rest in peace! Woo...” Zhang Ying’s weeping had caused everybody to cry, especially Niu Weiguang’s son. He cried his heart out in his mom’s arms.

Looking at the situation, Zhao Yu felt uneasy and complicated. He hated the cruelty of the murderer that caused so much pain to these families. On the other hand, he felt sense of achievement as Niu Weiguang was finally proven innocent. He felt his days of hard work had paid off.

But Zhao Yu could also tell that, in these peoples’ eyes, besides sorrow, there was hatred! He was worried that these people might scheme to take revenge on Hao Gang and the others. Gao Yang had no one, but Han Wenjun had a big family, and Hao Gang had his son, Hao Jiajun. Would these people lose their minds and do something bad?

At that very moment, even Zhao Yu himself was trapped between the devil and the blue sea. He could not tell the difference between right and the wrong anymore. He was certain that Hao Gang and Han Wenjun were the two murderers. He hated their guts and thought that death would not do them justice!

But on the other hand, he did not want to see Han Wenjun’s grandchildren or Hao Jiajun be killed because of that. A man should pay for his own sins, not his family. Doing so would only be taking one’s rage out, but it would never heal one’s wound.

This applied to both the Lost Hand Case and the Mianling Case. Zhao Yu could not find a balance in these two cases! The bad guys would be punished, but whatever crime they had committed had caused harm to others that could never be undone.

Zhao Yu returned to his office with mixed feelings. The office was quiet and not many people were there.

“That’s not right,” he thought. Since the entire police station was busy handling the Mianling case, Zhao Yu thought that the detectives would be busy as hell. Why was it empty?

Just as he was thinking, Li Beini suddenly brought coffee out from the pantry. She greeted Zhao Yu excitedly when she saw him. “Aiya! Isn’t this the famous Detective Zhao? Bro, you are now famous among Qinshan Police Officers! I heard that the leaders have arranged for you to be interviewed on TV! That’s amazing bro! Quick, give me an autograph!”

“Don’t be silly...” Zhao Yu was flattered but he pretended not to be. “Beini, where are the others?”

“The others?” Li Beini thought for a while and replied, “Oh, Captain Jin just came back and is in his office! Everyone hasn’t seen him for a while so they went to say hi!”

“Captain Jin? The Old Jin?” Zhao Yu was surprised. “What made him come back?”

"I heard that he had surgery earlier, so he might not be able to work on the frontline anymore!" Li Beini put down the coffee and continued, "He's probably back today to go through some procedures, and he may be transferred to a training center to become a clerk."

"Hehehe." Zhao Yu laughed and said quietly, "Great! Old Jin, you came back just in time! Not that it's not happening, it's just not time yet. It's time for payback! Hehehe..." He ran towards captain's office without acknowledging Li Beini's suspicion.

### **Chapter 230: Another Unexpected Reward**

"Ah! My Captain Jin!" Before Zhao Yu had even entered the office, he had already started wailing, "Captain Jin! I'm here to see you...uuhh!" Hearing Zhao Yu's yell, everyone in the room moved aside, making way for Zhao Yu.

Zhao Yu ran to Captain Jin with his head down, wailing in despair, "My Captain Jin! You're truly unfortunate to have contracted such a severe disease, yet didn't tell any of us! Ah, my heart...my heart is broken!"

"Ah?" Seeing Zhao Yu like this, Captain Jin was immediately alerted. He threw Zhao Yu a secretive glance, trying to stop him from blabbering. But Zhao Yu was here for revenge. So, of course, he ignored the other continued his wailing instead. "Guys, you guys still don't know, right? Late stage osteosarcoma! Ah, the gods are merciless to have given Jin such a terrible disease!"

"What?!" The entire office was stunned as they looked at each other.

"You guys didn't hear?" Zhao Yu said, "It's a terminal illness! Let me tell you guys, even if Jin chopped off his leg right now, he'd only have four months to live! But Jin doesn't want to live so he refused to have his leg removed!"

"Ah, Zhao Yu...Zhao Yu..." Jin seemed to have realized what Zhao Yu was doing and immediately said, "You heard wrong. It's only a bit of bone necrosis."

"Jin!" Zhao Yu would not accept his explanation and immediately pounced in front of Jin and wailed as he latched onto his leg, "You're too kind! Someone as gentle and selfless as you, as brave and bold as you, how could you have contracted such a disease?! How long are you planning on hiding it? Guys!" Zhao Yu waved towards the crowd. "Everyone, hurry and take a good look at Captain Jin or you will never get another chance!"

"Ah?! What?"

"Jin..."

"Terminal illness?"

"Zhao Yu!" Jin was very angry at Zhao Yu, but was guilty of deceiving him and could not really argue. He trembled with anger instead.

"Jin!" Zhao Yu continued without a care, "Don't you worry, I'm rich now. I'll make sure to buy you the best coffin! I'll personally speak at your funeral. Ah, my dear Jin, the gods are truly merciless." The way



Zhao Yu cried was like an endless storm, as if he himself was dying. His despair was a complete match for someone who was mourning for the dead.

Now the investigators finally had time to react. They immediately rushed forward to inquire about Jin's condition. Zhao Yu then took the time and squeezed through the crowd, quickly running out.

At the door, Zhao Yu wiped away his snot. After hearing the investigators worried concerns and questions, as well as Jin's confused explanation, he finally sneaked in a few laughs. "Hehehe! Jin, you're still alive?! As the old saying goes: what goes around comes around! If you dare to deceive me, Zhao Yu, then you'd better be ready for the consequences! Hehehe..."

Satisfied, Zhao Yu returned to Team A's office, but saw that Miao Ying was sitting there. When Miao Ying saw Zhao Yu, she immediately tried to dodge him as if running away from something disgusting.

"Oh?" Zhao Yu was shameless. "Miss Miao, what are you doing here? Do you have some time? Would you like to chat? Oh? Don't leave?"

"Get away!!!" Miao Ying growled in frustration, then disappeared without a trace.

This was seen by Li Beini, who was once again stunned. It seemed that Zhao Yu had turned his situation around. Even Miao Ying, who had apparently tamed Zhao Yu before, had failed!

Zhao Yu looked around and saw only Li Beini in the office. He asked her, why was Miao Ying here?

"Team Leader Miao said," Li Beini replied, "since we've been busy lately, she didn't have time to invite everyone out for food. So today, she wanted to take everybody on the investigation team to Laoqinshan Restaurant, and asked me to let everyone know!"

Food?! Zhao Yu thought about it. Laoqinshan Restaurant was one of the more high-class restaurants in Qinshan. One, because it was hard to get a seat, and two, because it was expensive. Only rich people who had more money than they could spend would choose to invite people to eat here. It seemed that Miao Renfeng was ready to break the bank for this.

"Mm..." Zhao Yu rolled his eyes, then asked, "Beini, that Miao Renfeng. Oh no, Team Leader Miao, did she say anything else? Were there any special requirements, like..."

Li Beini was incredibly intelligent. She immediately knew what Zhao Yu meant and replied quickly, "Team Leader Miao only said everyone in the Key Case Investigation Unit. There were no specifics! But, I think if you don't go, Team Leader Miao would be especially happy!"

"Happy?" Zhao Yu laughed. "How to make her happy? Even if she doesn't ask me, I'd go, hehehe..."

"Pervert." Li Beini sighed softly, then asked, "Senior, you really can't do this! From the Lost Hand Case, catching Yang Wentao, solving the Slaughter Case, and now, you even solved the massive Mianling Case! What, can't hold it in anymore?"

"I heard that Liang Wengan already took all the reward money and gave it to the police station. Even if it won't all go to you, you'll probably get a huge part of it, right?"

"Oh, really?" Zhao Yu feigned ignorance, but he was quite excited. He immediately asked Li Beini if there was any other news on the case.

Li Beini told him that Liang Sisi's family had already seen Liang Sisi. Even though Liang Sisi had been tortured by Hao Gang and was emotionally unstable, seeing that their child who had disappeared for twenty-six years still alive, the parents were still happy.

The doctors said that Liang Sisi's situation was not as bad as they had previously thought. With some rehabilitation, she still had the chance to return to normal. They believed that with her parents' help, Liang Sisi would slowly recover.

Also, another piece of news was that when Gao Qian heard that her own cousin, Gao Yang, was part of the Mianling Case, and that he had murdered her child, she was so angry she had a heart attack. She was sent to the hospital for emergency treatment, but apparently the situation was not optimistic. The Mianling case might have a new victim.

Li Beini also said that the higher-ups on the police force knew that the five victims' families were all fairly influential in Qinshan. They were worried that they would try to take revenge on Han Wenjun and Hao Gang's son.

Thus, Bureau Chief Liao had already contacted some of the higher-ups and pulled Liang Wangan and the others together. They held a small condolences meeting, partly to patiently console the group, but also to remind them that the police were highly against any illegal activity, and asked them to not worsen the situation any further.

Due to the severity of the case, Hao Gang was also transferred to Qinnan Prison. He required maximum security. His sentencing was also transferred to the city level bureau of criminal investigation.

Apparently, through further investigation, more evidence surfaced. Other than the Mianling Case, all the other illegal activities Hao Gang had committed were also coming to light. He was truly a criminal among criminals. While making his way to the top, he had done many criminal activities. He was truly an awful influence to the world.

Zhao Yu thought about it. If all of Hao Gang's had involved police connections, then that meant all the evidence of Hao Gang bribing provincial level officials would be within revealed as well. If so, then Su Yang's secret mission would be more successful as well.

Ten past noon, news came from the police headquarters. Han Wenjun's attempted suicide had failed, and he was now awake. During his interrogation, he had confessed to his involvement in the Mianling Case, and was currently being escorted to Qinshan. Hao Gang's accomplice would finally receive the punishment he deserved.

That afternoon, with careful planning from the police force, they finally decided to open a press conference. The police were going to publicly announce the situation regarding the Mianling Case. And so, as the biggest cold case in Qinshan was solved, the news quickly spread across all media outlets and quickly became the talk of the city, the province, and the entire nation.

But even though the police station was very busy, Zhao Yu felt completely empty. He stayed in the office for the entire day. Other than wait for Miao Ying's invitation to dinner, there was nothing more for him to do. In his boredom, he started organizing the system items in his mind, trying to do some inventory.

From experience, he knew that all the items had their own specialties, so he should make sure to remember their function so that he could use them well in an emergency.

To his surprise, while he was doing inventory, he suddenly realized something. Unexpectedly, the invisible tracker and the invisible listening device were still working! The tracker still showed Hao Gang's location, and the invisible listening device was still on Zhai Linlin.

Zhao Yu looked at his watch. The items lasted for forty-eight hours, so there was still some time before they stopped working.

Suddenly, Zhao Yu's curiosity roused. He wanted to listen and see if Zhai Linlin was still having an affair with Hao Jia, or maybe there was something even better going on? He turned on the listening device.

"Hubby!" Just as it turned on, Zhai Linlin's spoiled voice said, "I've already looked for so long? Who knows what time our car got keyed? How will I ever go through all of these tapes?"

"Of course!" A heavy voice came spoke. "Our car's an Audi Q7! Do you know how much it would cost if we had to repair it ourselves. Look, we can definitely find whoever did it. If I find who keyed the car, I'm gonna kill them!"

Oh. Zhao Yu understood. It seemed like Zhai Linlin was talking with her husband, and their car had been keyed by someone. They were looking at the car's surveillance camera.

With menial family drama like this, Zhao Yu was uninterested. He immediately looked for the switch, wanting to switch the conversation off. But just as he was about to turn it off, the sound of Zhai Linlin's shocked cry suddenly came through.

"Woah! Hubby! Come, come look! What's this?" Zhai Linlin's cry recaptured Zhao Yu's interest, so he did not switch it off right away.

"What? What's this! It's so blurry." Zhai Linlin's husband seemed to have some optical issues.

"No!" Zhai Linlin appeared to be pointing at the screen as she yelled in shock. "Isn't that someone getting robbed? Look, that person's getting stuffed in the trunk! I'll rewind it for you." A few seconds later, Zhai Linlin's shocked cry came through again. "Ah, that person getting kidnapped...isn't that...Hou Meng?!"