

Chapter 86 Compensation

Lutong was but a small advertisement company that used to have to rely heavily on various small web based advertisement projects to stay in business. But now, with a financial giant like Junran behind them, they'd have enough jobs to generate enough revenue to last them throughout the entire year, even as of right now.

Mr. Lu told me that somehow Chen Yuzhou caught winds that I've been rehired, and was on his way to Lutong as we speak, obviously wanting Mr. Lu to fire me off and make sure that I stay fired.

I've spoken to Lu Tong, that in the Lutong from now on, Chu Xiaoxiao's words carry the same weight as my words, and that if any situations arise, consult Chu Xiaoxiao first.

But the moment it became clear that it was Chen Yuzhou, Chu Xiaoxiao immediately gave up trying to deal with it by herself alone, and called me for assistance.

When I first got her call, I made a mental note to myself to ask Lu Tong to look after Chu Xiaoxiao a little more, since it would seem that Chu Xiaoxiao was still a little inexperienced after all, and not quite able to manage a whole company under her just yet.

But as soon as I arrived Lutong, as soon as I walked into the lobby, I was bombarded by an unholy stench, as if someone had dumped an entire cargo of rotten fish there.

I was no stranger to uncomfortable environments. In one particular mission, I was instructed to standby inside a sewer, and for five days straight I didn't see the light of day, and ate and drank and slept while accompanied by the sewer stench all around. But now, as soon as I walked into the lobby, my stomach churned and I almost vomited right on the spot.

At the company's front door, was a small mountain of trash, with liquids of various colors oozing out at places. Among the contents were also shoes and a dead cat, wrapped inside old throw away clothes. The stench reached far and wide, so much that even some passersby stopped to ask what happened.

And since the trash was heaped right at the company's front entrance, all who were inside weren't able to come out, and neither could I go inside.

Beside the small mountain of trash, was a security guard, looking helpless and perplexed. When he saw that I came, he quickly darted to me and grabbed me and wouldn't let me go, since he finally found someone strong enough to help him with the trash heap.

"Look, just let go of me first. Let me think for a bit. There is so much trash here that there's just no way that I, or we, would be able to take care of it ourselves. I may look as strong as superman, but I'm not superman. Which reminds me, when Chen Yuzhou came, why didn't you guy call the police? Also, aren't you a security guard? Why didn't you stop him?"

"How would I dare? How would any of us dare? He even made all of us disable the surveillance system inside the building, and threatened and warned us that if any of us should speak, he'll have our hides. Please, just help me with this pile of trash, it may take some times but the sooner we get started, the sooner we can put this all behind us. The manager at this place already lodged a formal complaint with us, I need to take care of this quick!"

Seriously? With this mountain of trash piled as high as the ceiling, two people and four hands in total, we'd be here until kingdom comes.

But in the end, he managed to gather all the other security guards in the building and convinced them to help. After about three hours later, the trash pile was finally taken care of, but it looked like that stench will linger on for quite a while more. They opened all the windows and vents, but at this rate, it would still take a whole night for the smell to go away, or more.

"Hey, brother, just something for you before you go away. My boss would like to thank you for helping us. Here is a little something to compensate for your hard work."

The security guard who first approached me stiffened, "This... is not necessary. We're can't possibly take that for simply doing our jobs."

Though his words were modest, but his eyes were fixated on the bundle of cash in my hand, \$3000 total.

I gave his shoulder a pat and dragged him a little further away to talk out of everyone else's earshot, "Brother, all of us here are only doing our best trying to make an honest living. Next time when Chen Yuzhou comes again, I would appreciate if you could do us a favor and help us out."

The security guard sighed, "Look, bro, it's not like any of us had what it takes to even touch him, though I'd suggest your people think of some way to appease his wrath. We all know about how bad tempered he is. He even said that he'll be back again until something is fixed."

"Did he now?" I asked.

"All of us could tell, he made it very clear. He said when he came in, that he won't stop until Lutong is destroyed, unless Lu Tong fire someone called Zhang Chao. Really, just who is this Zhang Chao character? And just how powerful is he to be able to make someone so rich and powerful like Chen Yuzhou care about him this much?"

I laughed but didn't comment on that. I stuffed the money into his hands, "Alright, thanks for your advice. Just take it, you deserved it."

"But... look, brother, I really can't do much to help you..." The security guard said, reluctantly.

I waved at him, reassuring him, "No, you've helped us enough as it is, telling us what you just said. This is just a token of our gratitude, and we won't tell anyone else about it either. Oh, and next time if Chen Yuzhou should come again, just stay out of it and we'll handle it ourselves. Be careful not to get yourselves caught up in all this."

"Then... I guess I'll just have to thank you for this, brother."

These security guards really have it tough. Though they did their best trying to do their job, but with Chen Yuzhou pressuring and cracking the whip behind them, they couldn't do anything even if they wanted to.

But Lu Tong wasn't satisfied with how I handled it. In his eyes, if even the security guards won't help us, it wouldn't take more than a few days before the company will be completely doomed.

Though since he knew who I am, Lu Tong held it back, but he was obviously afraid of being on Chen Yuzhou's bad side. He proposed that either I openly announce Lutong's cooperation with Junran, since there was no way that Juen would ever dare to even touch Junran, or I could simply fake my resignation. Since I'm currently the largest shareholder, even if I don't show up at the company, I'll still be entitled to a portion of its earnings.

"What do you think?" I asked Chu Xiaoxiao.

For all this while, Chu Xiaoxiao had only been watching us from the side in silence, waiting for me to come up with a solution for Lu Tong. When I tossed the question at her, she was startled for a while before realizing that I was really asking her for her opinion on this matter.

"What would a little girl like her know anything about this? Master Zhang, just do all of us a favor and be serious about this. If this goes on, it'd be a grave loss for Junran and Lutong both!"

Chu Xiaoxiao made no comments on what Lu Tong said, "I've known Chen Yuzhou for no small amount of time. He isn't one that would give up that easily. He is that stubborn. Since he had only you in his eyes, he won't stop until he gets what he wants. Nothing can make him stop. Not even if you put Junran's name out there."

I nodded, "He was too used to have his way. And that father of his almost always made sure that he gets what he wants scathfree, even killing and murdering. There is no use either playing nice or playing rough with him. He is a giant baby, and he'll keep crying and making a scene until he finally gets what he wants."

Chu Xiaoxiao didn't agree with something I said. She spat, "Him? A baby? That'd be rude to all the babies in this world. He's nothing but a spoilt brat. One of these days, I'll shove him right back into her mother's stomach so she'd know just what a brat she has raised."

Even I couldn't help but crack a smile at that. Chu Xiaoxiao really have a way with her vivid depiction of things.

"I don't mean to interrupt your little chats, but in case you have forgotten, Chen Yuzhou is going to be coming back at us!"

I nodded to him.

Lu Tong said, hurriedly, "So, you got a plan?"

I said, "Not yet, I'm just agreeing with you, in that Chen Yuzhou won't be letting us off the hook that easily, that's a good news at least. Let's call it a day and kick back and relax for tonight."

"What, call it a day! Fine, you two go on back home first. I'm going to stay behind. If he comes again, at least I could still try begging him on my knees." Lu Tong said.

"Mr. Lu, trust me, go home and take the day off, and let him have his ways. I'll pay you back for any loss that it might cost you."

Lu Tong still insisted that he wants to stay, until I promised him that I'll pay him back for double the loss that he might suffer. In the end, he finally conceded, though whether it was to the money or to the fear of facing Chen Yuzhou's wrath alone, I was never too sure.