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This scene was a complete surprise to Fade.

However, upon closer inspection, Fade immediately understood what was going on.

Most of the people crowding at the villa were guests from all parts of the country. They were notably wealthy traders from various parts of the country, people of influence.

However, compared to the distinguished guests who lived in the Yue family, their status was inferior. They could not directly suck up to the Yue family, so they came to visit the Yu family instead.

When Shelton saw this, he turned to Fade, "Mr. Chen, standby for a moment. I will find out about the situation."

Fade nodded and stood some ways away from the crowd.

Having this many people visiting, as well as the onlookers around, chattering and gossiping, the area was quite lively.

Fade could hear someone saying, "I heard that Melanie Yu is very capable! At a young age, she had already turned Emerald Plum Jewels into a business empire worth hundreds of billions, she's definitely an accomplished iron lady!"

"Not only that, but Melanie is also beautiful and has a charming figure. For the Yue family to be able to have her as a daughter-in-law, they sure are lucky!"

"But Yohannes Yue is an older man, he's probably in his fifties. I heard that when he went to Dragonville last time, his left leg had

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been crippled. What a waste it is for a beauty like Melanie to be with a man like him. Alas, what a pity!"

"What a pity?! you guys must be fools!"

"What power does the Yue family have? What status does Yohannes hold? He is only fifty over years old, but even if he's in his seventies, and paralyzed from the waist down, Melanie would have made it big marrying him."

"You think she's got it big, so why don't you marry him instead?! I wouldn't want to."

"You're blind as a bat!"

"You snob!"

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"Hey, stop arguing. I heard that Melanie was reluctant to marry him, but she was locked up in the villa by the Yu family. They were going to send her directly to the bridal chamber once the wedding starts!"

"There's such a thing? Such a powerful family like the Yue, such a powerful person like Yohannes... Would Melanie be unwilling to marry?"

"Who knows? Apparently, somebody said Melanie is in a relationship with a younger kept man and they decided to be together for their whole lives, that's why she doesn't want to marry this old man, Yohannes."

"What about the kept man, where is he now? Melanie is going to be married, why did we not see him appear, is he so heartless?"

"You're being unreasonable now. Having to confront the Yue family, who would have the guts to come? Would he seeking for his own demise?"

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When Fade heard all these, he couldn't help furrowing his brows, and a hint of rage flashed in his gaze.

He scoffed and whispered to himself, "The Yue family and Yu family, I've warned you before. If you don't know what's good for you, don't blame me for not giving you mercy."

Right this moment, Shelton returned. He said to Fade, "Mr. Chen, it's done. We can go in now. This way please!"

The two went through the crowd, heading in the direction of the villa entrance.

When the others saw that the two men were approaching, someone shouted discontentedly.

"What's this, why can they enter and not us?!"

"Yeah, they were obviously here after us. First come first serve, do you not have rules?!"

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In the middle of the commotion, the two did not say anything. Shelton immediately flashed an official token at the crowd and they fell silent.

They could only step back and get out of the way. Then, they whispered to each other.

"They are from the Liu family of Southcloud District!"

"Black Level martial arts practitioners, no wonder!"

"Sigh. In this world, strength plays a bigger role than money!"

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"Yeah, when I get back, I'd spent some money and hire a couple of martial arts masters to back me up."

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Amidst of all these, Shelton and Fade arrived at the entrance of the villa.

Shelton said to the guards at the entrance, "This is the guest I brought, we came together."

The guard tossed Fade a glance before he nodded. He pushed the doors open, "This way please, Mr. Liu."

Shelton nodded and entered the villa along with Fade.

The villa was humongous. The two of them walked for quite a few minutes before arriving at the living room.

The living room spanned more than a hundred square meters, even the design was extravagant. A servant brought Shelton and Fade to the sofa before saying, "Please wait, Mr. Liu. Our First Madam will be here in a minute."

Shelton nodded. When the servant left, he started filling in Fade on the villa of the Yu family.

The elderly Master Yu, Cyril, had two sons, his eldest son being Bache Yu and his second son, Hale Yu. Bache was the current master of the Yu family, while Hale was Melanie's father.

The Yue Family was holding the wedding, and the Yu family were here to send off their bride. Hence, those who had come were only the female members of the Yu family. The Yu family had to wait for the Yue family to hold the wedding first before they could hold one on their premises. Only then would the senior members of both families be able to visit each other at will.

Hence, the person in charge of this villa would be Bache's wife, Bailey Kang, she was also the First Madam the servant had mentioned.

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Others who came along were Melanie's mother Rosy Jen, Melanie's aunt Qiana Yu as well as her female cousins of the same seniority.

Shelton's Liu family originated from was considered of Black Level power. The family was strong, and even had Shelton who was of the middle stage of the Black Level. Hence, as he dropped by for a visit, it was only right for the First Madam herself to greet him personally.

After listening to Shelton's introduction, Fade nodded his head, at the same time, a sense of displeasure rose in his heart.

After all, the last time when he was in Dragonville, Fade had met Melanie's Aunt Qiana before. Qiana was stubborn and very controlling. She treated Melanie as a pawn and controlled Melanie as she desired.

This time, if they still dared to do this to Melanie, Fade would not mind beating them up to teach them a lesson.

Just as Fade was pondering in his head, a burst of laughter came along with the footsteps. "Sorry to keep you waiting, Mr. Liu. Please forgive me."

Upon hearing the voice, the two turned their heads and looked over.

Then, they saw a woman in her 60s, wearing a mink coat and huge diamond pendant and earrings, sashaying over.

The woman was dressed in splendid clothes, but her heavy makeup made her look like a nouveau riche. It was really unpleasant to behold.

Shelton still got up with a smile and said, "Madam Kang, don't worry about it. I was the one who took the liberty to visit you. Sorry to trouble you."

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"No, I mean it. The Yu family is honored to meet such a powerful martial arts practitioner as you. I don't feel troubled in any way," Bailey said with a smile.

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The two of them greeted each other politely and sat down.

Bailey glanced at Fade, who was next to Shelton, and immediately said, "What can I do for you today, Mr. Liu?"

Hearing this, Shelton glanced at Fade and said to Bailey with a smile, "Madam Kang, this is the situation. My friend here, Mr. Chen, is acquainted with Miss Melanie. He had some business dealings with her before. Hearing that her marriage is fast approaching, Mr. Chen wanted to meet Miss Yu to congratulate her."

Although Shelton's words were deliberately understated, when it came to Melanie, Bailey's expression immediately turned wary.

She glanced toward Fade and looked him up and down. With a little questioning in her tone, she asked, "Mr. Chen, you do not look familiar to me. I am not aware of your business dealings with Melanie, what kind of business was it?"

Fade looked calm and said, "About half a year ago, I started an entertainment company. Miss Yu's Emerald Plum Jewels collaborated with a spokesperson from our company."

Fade was not lying. Emerald Plum Jewels did invite Winnie Huo as the spokesperson and she was managed by Fade's company, Scott Entertainment.

Hearing Fade's story, Bailey's face relaxed a little. At the same time, she remembered that Emerald Plum Jewels did have such a deal half a year ago.

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Seeing Bailey relax, Fade said, "I hope you can make an exception."
Shelton also said, "Mr. Chen is my friend. I'm also here to help him fulfill his wish."

Upon hearing this, Bailey hesitated.

Shelton, a Black Level master, had made a personal request. Moreover, his request was not overboard. They were merely here to pay a visit to Melanie. Normally, Bailey would agree.

However, Melanie's situation was somewhat different. Because the wedding was approaching, and Melanie was still very resistant to it. She had even tried escaping several times.

So, for assurance, Bailey sent people to Yudson City to monitor Melanie constantly. Bailey was worried that something bad would happen. If the wedding was canceled, it would mean big trouble.

Thinking of this, Bailey shook her head, apologizing, "I'm really sorry, Mr. Liu. Because the wedding is just right around the corner, Melanie is preoccupied. She is out today, so she can't meet you, Mr. Chen. I'm sorry."

It was obviously a rejection.

Hearing this, Fade's eyes sank.

Shelton saw this and quickly said, "Madam Kang, he really wants to meet Miss Yu. I wonder where she is and when would she come back. We can wait."

"Well..." Bailey was a little puzzled. Why was Shelton being so pushy for a mere businessman?

Just as she was hesitating, Shelton took out a wooden box and handed it to Bailey, "Madam Kang, this is a little gift, please

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accept it."

Bailey wanted to refuse, but when she saw Shelton opening the wooden box to reveal a priceless-looking herb in it, her eyes lit up.

She could tell that this herb was at least Black Level. It must be worth a fortune.

As long as Fade was allowed to meet Melanie, the Yu family could obtain this medicinal herb. They could also form good relations with Shelton. This made Bailey extremely tempted. She did not think much of it anymore. She turned around and said with a smile, "I feel bad for making you stand on ceremony. How about this? I'll call Melanie to ask if she's on her way back."

Then, Bailey pretended to make a phone call. Eventually, she hung up the phone and said to Shelton with a smile, "What a coincidence. She just came back, she's in the bedroom at the back. Let's have them meet up, shall we?"

"Thank you, Madam Kang," Shelton expressed his gratitude

Fade's eyes lit up as well. He stood up, ready to meet Melanie.

But at this moment, a stern-faced, short-haired woman in her later forties sauntered in.

Fade's eyes flashed when he saw the woman. "Qiana Yu!"

At this time, Qiana also noticed Fade. She was shocked and immediately shouted, "Why are you here?"

Bailey heard this and was puzzled. She said to Qiana, "Qiana, what's wrong? Do you know Mr. Chen? He is an old acquaintance of Melanie's. He's here to bid Melanie farewell."

Qiana looked anxious and said to Bailey, "Bailey! He is Fade Chen. We can't let him meet Melanie."

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"Fade Chen? Who's that?" Bailey was still in a daze.

Qiana hurriedly said, "Fade Chen of Dragonville. He was the one who injured Yohannes!"

Upon hearing this, Bailey's face suddenly changed as she suddenly came into a realization. She glared at Fade and said in bewilderment, "It's you!"

"You, get out of here now!" Bailey immediately began to drive them away.

Anyone could meet Melanie, just not Fade.

Recently, Melanie had mentioned Fade's name a lot. Moreover, he was the one who hurt Yohannes, he was the enemy of the Yue family. So the Yu family had every reason to stay away from Fade.

Qiana started to call for help. She said, "Someone, get him out of here!"

The situation suddenly changed. Shelton frowned and tried to make a move.

Fade patted him gently on the shoulder, stepped forward, and said, "Let me!"

Then, he looked at Bailey and Qiana and said, "Melanie and I are friends. In terms of seniority, I should call you Auntie. Today, I am here with no malice. I just want to meet her and have a good talk."

Qiana refused immediately. "That's impossible. There's nothing else to talk about."

Fade glared at Qiana coldly and said, "Whether Melanie and I have things to talk about is not up to you to decide. She can tell me herself."

Bailey looked at Fade with a gloomy face and said, "We are all sensible people here. You don't need to beat around the bush. I

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know you and Melanie are in that kind of relationship, but I want to tell you that it's impossible for both of you to be together! Leave now!"

"What kind of relationship?" Fade was stunned and puzzled.

He didn't know that this misunderstanding was due to Melanie's words, which Qiana had taken it seriously and reported it to her family. As a result, the elders of the Yu family now assumed that Fade had an affair with Melanie.

If that was the case, of course, Bailey would not allow Fade and Melanie to meet.

"Madam Kang, our relationship is not the topic at hand. Now, what I want to know is whether she is willing to marry Yohannes!" Fade growled, his eyes flashing menacingly.

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Hearing this, Bailey's face changed, but then she growled in a low voice, "It's none of your business. You should leave now."

Qiana also shouted at the top of her voice, "Melanie is about to get married. You'd better leave her immediately."

Seeing this, Fade's face fell and he said, "A few months ago, when we were in Dragonville, I promised her that no one can force her to marry someone she doesn't like, including your family!"

"What do you mean?" Qiana shouted at Fade, "She belongs to our family. We have our own ways of settling things. It has nothing to do with you."

Hearing this, Fade's expression became stern. He looked at Qiana and said, "Remember. Even as the elder members of the family, you can't force her to do the things she doesn't like."

"Don't meddle in our affairs. The juniors in a family are obliged to listen to their elders!" Qiana shouted.

Hearing Qiana's words, Fade felt it was ridiculous.

If this woman was not dressed in modern clothes, Fade would think that she was an old hag from ancient times. The kind of woman who spouted superstitions weaved by the older generations to keep children out of trouble! It was preposterous!

Fade knew that it was useless to say anything more to Qiana. Her old-fashioned mind was impenetrable with a mere few words.

Therefore, he stopped arguing. His face darkened and he said in a cold voice, "I want to see Melanie."

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"That cannot be done," Qiana immediately refused firmly.

Bailey's eyes darkened and showed a look of displeasure. Then, she glanced at Shelton and said to Fade, "Mr. Chen, this is not possible. And we will not allow it. Now leave!"

"In that case, I will seek her out on my own!" Fade insisted coldly. He then raised his voice, "Melanie, it's me, Fade. I'm here to see you, I—"

As soon as they saw Fade shouting, Bailey and Qiana's expressions suddenly changed. They quickly shouted, "Shut up."

Qiana was even more riled up, "Guards!"

Suddenly, with a crash, around eight bodyguards in black rushed over and surrounded Fade.

Bailey said, "Mr. Chen, please leave now, otherwise, don't blame us for being rude."

Fade was not afraid at all. He shook his head, glanced at Qiana and said, "If you know who I am, you should know that these people can't stop me."

Hearing this, Qiana went blank. After all, she had witnessed Fade's fight on the ship when she participated in the Martial Arts Convention in Dragonville.

Although she was not a martial arts practitioner, she knew that his strength was extraordinary.

Thinking of this, she whispered something in Bailey's ear.

Upon hearing this, Bailey's face darkened and she hesitated. But she still didn't want to retreat, "Mr. Chen, I know you are a martial-arts Master. But are you forgetting where you are right now?"

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"This is Yudson City, and the Yue family is not far away from here. The bodyguards in this villa were also arranged for us by them. If you take action, the Yue family—" Needless to say, Bailey was threatening him.

Fade, however, was not afraid at all. He said, "You are Melanie's elders. I don't want to attack you."

Upon hearing this, Bailey's eyes flashed, and a fierce look appeared on her face. She waved her hand and said, "Throw him out."

Immediately, several bodyguards rushed over and were about to attack him.

Fade's eyes turned cold and he was about to make his move.

But at this time, Shelton was the one who rushed out first. He stopped several bodyguards, "Mr. Chen, go. Leave them to me."

The strength of these bodyguards was probably lower than Black Level but at the peak of the Yellow Level. For Shelton, who was at the mid-tier of the Black Level, it was not a big problem.

So, after hearing the words, Fade nodded and went straight into the villa.

Bailey and Qiana's faces changed when they saw this.

Bailey looked at Shelton and shouted, "Mr. Liu, are you going against the Yu family and the Yue family?"

When Shelton heard this, he could not help curling his lips and said in his heart, "The Yu and Yue families are nothing when compared to Mr. Chen's power."

Therefore, Shelton did not show any mercy at all. Instead, he executed fearsome moves and knocked several bodyguards to the ground.

On the other side, Qiana rushed to Fade. She spread her arms wide and stopped him as she glared, "You can't go in. Melanie will

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marry Yohannes, you—"

"Move aside!" Fade shouted coldly.

Qiana remained planted as she continued, "She is already engaged to him. This was what has been decided by the elders of our Yu family. You can't..."

Smack!

Fade could not bother arguing with her. He directly slapped Qiana, sending her flying.

After that, Fade strode into the villa.

In the deeper parts of the villa, in a quiet bedroom, Melanie was sitting on the bed with a gloomy face. Her usually charming face was now gaunt and dull. Her face was even a little bit sallow, and her entire being was gloomy.

A woman in her fifties sat across Melanie. She was dressed in plain clothes with droopy eyebrows.

Looking at the haggard Melanie, the middle-aged woman couldn't help but feel distressed. She picked up her bowl and said softly, "Melanie, why don't you eat some food? You haven't eaten anything in two days. If it goes on like this, you will fall sick!"

Melanie looked at the woman in front of her and said, "Mom, this was your idea. I don't want to marry anyone from the Yue family, and I don't want to be with Yohannes. I didn't approve of this marriage in the first place."

The middle-aged woman was Melanie's mother, Rosy. Hearing this, she sighed softly, "Melanie, I know that you're not happy about this. But the marriage has been set, and it was decided by your grandfather himself. I—"

Hearing this, Melanie frowned and said in a somewhat anxious voice, "Mom, this is the most important event in my life. How

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could Grandpa use me for their own gain, simply sending me off to another family?"

"I, I understand. But we are not an ordinary family after all. That's why there are some things that we can only—" Rosy lowered her head and whispered, "No matter how, you should eat some food first!"

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Melanie was in a sense of loss and sadness.

Melanie knew that her mother loved her dearly, but Rosy grew up in an aristocratic family. She was betrothed to Hale, Melanie's father, who was arranged by the family too.

Therefore, Rosy had always been forbearing and weak. Even if she didn't want to, she wouldn't resist. She would only bear everything silently.

However, Melanie was different. She did not want to follow a similar path like her mother.

At this moment, the only thing Melanie could do was starve to protest against her family.

Seeing this, Rosy's heart ached, but she was helpless. She put down the bowls and chopsticks and let out a sigh of exasperation. She stood up and said, "I'll talk to your father. Maybe he can find a way."

Melanie's heart trembled slightly when she heard this. However, she knew it would be futile.

Her father, Hale, was no different from Rosy. He was the kind of person who would easily accept his misfortunes. In addition, it was Melanie's grandfather Cyril and Uncle Bache who were the dominant ones in the family. Even Hale had no control over the marriage.

Melanie sighed helplessly and leaned against the head of the bed, silently weeping.

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But at this moment, there was a sudden shout, "Melanie, it's me, Fade. Where are you? I'm here to see you."

Melanie was surprised. She suddenly sat up straight and whispered to herself, "That voice, it's Fade. He's here!"

The thought of it made her jump with excitement. However, her face darkened. She shook her head and whispered to herself, "But, there's no way. After I came back, I was locked up. I had no way of contacting Fade, so how did he find out about my marriage?"

"I might be hallucinating!" Melanie's excitement dimmed and she slumped back down.

But at this time, Fade's voice sounded again. This time, even the footsteps were getting closer and closer.

Melanie was so excited that her eyes lit up. "Is this true? He really came to see me."

With a burst of adrenaline, Melanie stood up and rushed to the door of the room. She opened the door and was about to rush out. At the same time, she shouted, "Fade, I'm here!"

However, Melanie, who was about to rush out, was immediately stopped by two bodyguards in black.

"Miss Yu, please return to your room!" The bodyguards stopped her.

"I want to go out!" Melanie said harshly.

The bodyguard's tone was even more serious. He said, "Miss Yu, please return to your room. If you need anything, you can inform us."

"I'm heading out. Get out of my way," Melanie said in a hurry. Then, she forced herself out of the room.

However, the bodyguard was faster and stopped Melanie again. He grabbed her arm and pushed her back into the room. "Miss

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Yu, don't make things difficult for us. Please return to your room."

"Let me go. I'm going to see Fade. He is looking for me. I want..." Melanie shouted.

"Miss Yu, turn back!" The two bodyguards pushed Melanie into the room.

At this moment, a cold voice was heard. "Let go of Melanie!"

Fade walked over with a cold look in his eyes.

The two bodyguards narrowed their eyes and shouted, "Who are you?"

At this moment, Melanie was extremely overjoyed when she saw Fade. Tears welled up in her eyes. "Fade, you, you're really here."

Fade nodded and said softly, "I'm here, Melanie."

"Stop, don't get any closer!" The two bodyguards stood in front of Fade and shouted.

Fade glanced at them and said blandly, "Do you want to get out of the way yourself or do you want me to do it?"

"You're courting death! Get out of here right now—" The eyes of the two bodyguards darkened. They waved their fists and were about to attack Fade.

However, Fade's movement was faster. He punched the faces of the two bodyguards directly and knocked them out.

Then, Fade walked into the room with a smile. "Melanie!"

"Fade, you, why are you here? I—" For a moment, Melanie was so excited that she couldn't speak coherently.

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He gently held her waist and comforted her in a soft voice, "As I said, I will not let you do anything you dislike." Her eyes became blurry from tears, and her body melted into Fade's arms.

At this moment, there was a rush of footsteps and shouts outside as a group of people ambled over.

The two of them were alarmed by the noise. Melanie's face darkened and she said nervously, "Somebody is coming. Fade, you have to leave. They—"

He shook his head and did not let go of Melanie. Instead, he looked out of the window and said, "Melanie, let's find somewhere peaceful!"

While speaking, Fade took Melanie into his arms. Then, he broke through the window and landed on the bushes outside the villa. His figure disappeared from sight. The bodyguards behind him couldn't catch up.

They could only turn back helplessly and report the situation to Bailey.

On Bailey's side, just when she saw Shelton hit several bodyguards to the ground, she heard the news that Melanie had been taken away by Fade.

Bailey was both furious and anxious. She could only shout, "She has been taken away, why are you still standing there? Waiting for the cows to come home? Hurry up!"

Shelton knew that Fade had found the person he was looking for. He gestured apologetically to Bailey. Then, he turned around and left.

At this time, Bailey could not care about Shelton anymore. She asked the people in the villa to rush out to find Melanie, and also quickly called the Yue Family to inform them of this news.

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Just as the Yu family's villa was in chaos, Fade had already brought Melanie to a commercial shopping street more than ten kilometers away.

The two of them sat in a cafe, as they drank coffee and talked about what had happened during this period of time.

After the Martial Arts Convention, Fade had broken one of Yohannes' legs, which also made the latter lose half of the Yue family's assets.

When Melanie returned home, she thought that after such a thing happened, her family would cancel her marriage with Yohannes.

However, she did not expect that her family elders had no intention to cancel the engagement at all. Instead, they were furious at her. They said that Yohannes was in this state because of her, and the Yu family had offended the Yue family even more.

In order to avoid the resentment of the Yue Family, the elders of the Yu family took Melanie to the Yue family to apologize and confirm the marriage ahead of time. At the same time, in order to calm the anger of the Yue Family and ask the Yue family to help solve the Capital City's political matter, the Old Master Cyril even paid the price by forfeiting 30% of the Yu family's family assets.

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After listening to Melanie's explanation, Fade could not help showing a hint of rage on his face. He said coldly, "It seems that the Yue family didn't take my words seriously at all!"

"Do they think they can let it go if they lose to me?" Fade shouted angrily in a cold voice, "Nobody can run away from me when they are indebted to me."

Melanie was worried, "Fade, the Yue family is a century-old martial arts aristocratic family in Westamor District. Graham, the leader of the Yue family, is a top Black Level master. Moreover, rumor has it that Old Master Yue has reached the realm of an Earth Level master. You—"

When Fade heard this, he smiled confidently and said, "Melanie, don't worry. Whether he is a Black Level master or an Earth Level master, it's not a problem for me."

Looking at Fade's confident face, Melanie smiled and nodded. "I believe in you."

Then, she asked him what brought him here.

Fade didn't hide anymore. He told her about how he got the news from Mr. Ann, why he went to Westamor District, how he conquered the Lightning Clan, and what brought him to Yudson City.

After listening, Melanie blinked her beautiful eyes in surprise. "You said you defeated the entire Lightning Clan and obtained the

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Dragon Source Herb Farm? The Dragon Source Herb Farm is basically a priceless gem. Even the Yue family is very envious of the farm. It belongs to you now. T-this—"

Fade looked at Melanie's look of amazement, he couldn't help laughing, "As long as you like it, you can choose any herb from the farm in the future."

"Really? Is the farm really yours now? Why didn't I hear any news about it?" Melanie still could not believe it.

"Of course, why would I lie to you?" Fade said, "Besides, Franklin had already lost the farm to me, it's only reasonable for me to claim it!"

Melanie smiled and said, "I know it's reasonable. However, I didn't expect you to retrieve it so easily, and without any news leaking out about it."

"I'm wondering if the Yue Family will be very worried if they find out about this!"

Fade smiled and said, "It's no use worrying about them. I'll take back more than what they owed me."

"Of course, and then there's you. I will never let you marry the Yue family!" He looked at Melanie's beautiful eyes and said firmly.

Speaking of this, a smile appeared on Melanie's face, but then she thought of something. Her face darkened, "But, my family..."

Fade said, "I'll take care of your family. If they refused, I'll take you to a place far away."

Melanie smiled and said with anticipation, "Fade, you said it! I'll be waiting for that moment!"

"Don't worry. I will do what I promise," Fade promised, patting his chest.

But at this moment, Melanie's body trembled. She took out a watch-sized object and saw a word, "Emergency" in red, on the little

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screen.

Seeing this word, Melanie's expression stiffened. She said to Fade in a hurry, "Did you bring your mobile phone?"

Fade took out his mobile phone and handed it to Melanie. At the same time, he asked, "What's wrong?"

Melanie explained with a sullen face, "My phone was confiscated by them, and they can't contact me now. And this little object is our family's emergency contact device. Generally, we will only use this device to send an urgent signal to inform our family if any big trouble has happened."

"Big trouble?" Fade felt a little suspicious and frowned slightly.

At this time, Melanie had already dialed a number with Fade's mobile phone. "Hello, Zoila, did something happen there? Why did you suddenly send an emergency contact signal?"

At the other end of the phone, a young female voice rang out. "Melanie, just now, Aunt Rosy was taken away by the Yue family."

"What? My mother was taken away by the Yue family?" Melanie stood up impulsively.

"This is the situation. Just now, you were reported to be missing. The Yue family heard the news and came to get you. However, they couldn't find you, so they took Aunt Rosy away. They said that if you don't show up, they wouldn't release her," The voice on the other side of the phone sounded anxious. "Where are you now? Come back quickly!"

"I-I'm out now. I'll be right back. Tell them not to lay a finger on my mother. Otherwise, I'll fight against the Yue," Melanie said anxiously.

"Melanie, don't worry." The woman on the other end of the phone said, "Although she is taken away by them, there shouldn't be any big trouble. After all, our two families are in-laws."

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"I don't believe them!" Melanie said coldly.

The girl on the phone, who was Melanie's cousin, replied, "I understand how you feel. How about this, I'll contact Harrison. Let's meet for a talk first, let Harrison pull the strings, and tell Uncle Hale about this. It might help."

Melanie was anxious, she had no time to think so much. She nodded immediately and said, "Okay, where are you? I'll go right away."

An address popped up on the phone. Melanie wrote it down, got up immediately, and was about to leave.

Fade stood up and said, "I'll go with you."

From the voice of the phone call just now, Fade had basically understood the process of the matter.

Melanie nodded and left the cafe with Fade. She rushed to her cousin Zoila's address.

Soon, they came to an upscale club.

In front of a luxurious private room of the club, a young girl in her mid-twenties, immediately came out to greet Melanie as soon as she saw her. "You're here."

Melanie nodded and walked over with Fade. At the same time, she introduced, "Fade, this is my cousin, Zoila Yu."

"Zoila, this is my friend, Fade Chen."

Hearing the introduction, Zoila couldn't help but glare at Fade and said unhappily, "You're the guy who kidnapped Melanie!"

Before Fade could open his mouth, Melanie took Zoila into the private room. "I left on my own will. This has nothing to do with Fade."

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"Alright, let's drop it. Is Harrison here? How is my mother now?" Melanie said anxiously. She pushed open the door of the private room.

As soon as the door opened, she saw the scene inside, and her face could not help but freeze, and the expression on her face tensed.

Melanie stopped and turned to look at Zoila. Her voice was a little cold and she said, "Zoila, tell me, what is this?"

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After saying that, Melanie's face darkened. She turned around and was about to leave.

Seeing this, Zoila grabbed her arm right away. Zoila squeezed out a smile, and persuaded her, "Melanie, since you're here, just go in and have a seat!"

At this moment, Fade couldn't help feeling curious, he peeked inside.

There were around eight young men and women in their mid-twenties, sitting on the sofas in the private room. On the table in the middle, there were all kinds of cigarettes and wine.

The people were chatting with one another, seemingly enjoying themselves. It was completely different from what Zoila had described on the phone. No wonder Melanie's face darkened when she took a glance.

Zoila seemed to feel that she misunderstood the situation. She pulled Melanie and persuaded, "Melanie, I contacted Harrison. But Young Master Yue happened to be with Master Zhu and Miss Huang, so they came together."

"Really?" Melanie's face was doubtful.

What a lousy excuse! How could there be such a coincidence? Just when Melanie needed his help, Harrison, who was Graham's son and the eldest son of the family, happened to be mingling with these rich heirs of Westamor District?

Now that Melanie thought about it carefully, she knew that the whole thing was probably a façade, in order to deceive her into

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coming over and meet Harrison and the others.

Thinking of this, Melanie couldn't help looking at Zoila. Melanie immediately questioned her, "Tell me, Zoila, my mother was not taken by the Yue family, was she?"

Zoila's expression changed and she stuttered. She did not know what to say.

In the private room, a man in his late 20s sitting in the main seat said with a smile, "Miss Yu, this has nothing to do with Miss Zoila. I asked for her help to bring you here."

Zoila nodded and said, "Melanie, it's Young Master Yue who asked me to help. You and he would be family in two days. It's good for you to get together and get familiar with each other in advance."

Melanie's expression darkened as she heard Zoila's words. She glared at Zoila and said, "If you want to get familiar with him, you can do it. I'm not interested."

With this, Melanie glanced at Fade and grabbed Fade's arm. She turned around to leave.

At the same time, she said, "Fade, my mother is fine. I was tricked. I was so anxious that I didn't think about it carefully. This lie is covered with loopholes. It's impossible for the Yue family to capture my mother, and that's useless anyway!"

Fade nodded and said, "Let's go."

Zoila was anxious as she spent so much effort bringing Melanie over. She rushed over and grabbed Melanie's arm, saying, "Melanie, since you're here, it doesn't matter to hang out here for a bit. Why are you in such a hurry to leave?"

Melanie said firmly, "I don't want to sit with them."

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Melanie immediately shook off Zoila's hand, walking away.

But at this moment, Zoila, who was behind her, suddenly knelt down on the ground and cried to Melanie, "Melanie, please don't leave. If you leave, I'm doomed. Please, save me!"

Hearing this, Melanie grew angry but surprised at the same time. She stopped and turned around.

Frowning, Melanie looked at Zoila, who was kneeling on the ground. she asked, "Zoila, you're doomed? What's going on?"

Zoila's voice faltered and she couldn't open her mouth.

At this time, Harrison, who was sitting in the main seat, stood up and came over. He said with a smile, "Miss Yu, I'm afraid you wouldn't know. Miss Zoila screwed up big time!"

"What do you mean?" Melanie instinctively felt that something was wrong.

Harrison smiled and looked at a burly young man with a buzz cut to his left. He reached out and said, "Master Zhu, this matter has something to do with you. It'd be better if you're the one who explains it."

Master Zhu immediately stood up and looked at Melanie. He said, "Two days ago, Miss Zoila went to the Stealth base for a visit. When she did, she took something forbidden away with her. Now, we, the Stealth Team, are still investigating this matter."

"What!" Melanie could not help but be shocked when she heard this.

She understood what the Stealth Team was. It was a huge organization responsible for the management of the national martial arts forces. Not to mention the Yu family, even the local aristocratic family of martial arts, such as the Yue family, would never dare confront the Stealth Team head-on.

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But now, Zoila stole something from the Stealth Team. If evidence was found, at the very least, Zoila would probably be court-martialled, and would even drag the entire Yu family down with her.

For the Yu family, who lacked the support of martial arts forces, it would be a huge blow to them.

Thinking of this, Melanie was angry and anxious. She glared at Zoila and said, "How can you do this?"

Zoila said in a tearful tone, "I, I don't know either. I was just careless..."

"Careless? How could you be careless in such a matter?" Melanie was so angry that her face turned red and she yelled.

But at this time, Fade glanced at Master Zhu who wore a look of delight. Fade frowned slightly, pulled Melanie, and said, "Don't be angry. Listen to her, is that what really happened? The Stealth base is not a place anybody can enter."

After being reminded by Fade, Melanie recovered from her anger and felt that something was odd.

After all, Zoila was just a descendant of a branch of the Yu family and did not hold a high status. The base was guarded by the Stealth Team. Even Harrison would have trouble getting in.

However, Zoila entered the base and even stole something from them, yet nobody noticed.

No matter how she thought about it, it was a little implausible.

"What's going on exactly? Tell me in detail." Melanie glared at Zoila and questioned her.

Zoila looked at Master Zhu and Harrison anxiously. Seeing that they didn't intend to stop her, she told them the whole story, stuttering with fear.

It turned out that she did it to climb up the social ladder. As she came from a branch of the Yu family, her status was

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mediocre. Thus, when she first arrived in Yudson City, she had nowhere to stay. She often socialized with the people in the city, expanding her circle in hopes of obtaining a higher position in the Yu family.

In just a few days, Zoila had made friends with some rich heirs of Yudson City. However, despite their wealth, their statuses were far from top tycoons like Harrison's.

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Just as Zoila was thinking about how to flatter the second generation with a higher status, she met Jayden Zhu at a gathering. When she learned that he came from the Stealth Team and that his father was an authoritative position in the local Stealth Team, she became interested in him. Apparently, Master Zhu had feelings for her too.

After flirting with each other for a while, they soon got familiar with each other. That night, they went to a hotel and had s*x.

In the next two days, the two of them made rapid progress and quickly became a pair of sweet lovers.

Master Zhu even doted on Zoila very much. He even took her, an outsider, to the Stealth base, which was usually closed to the public.

Zoila was overjoyed. She really thought that Master Zhu had fallen in love with her. She began fantasizing about her future happy life with him.

But when they left the base and returned to the hotel, Zoila immediately saw a piece of news related to the Stealth Team on TV.

The news said that the local base of the Stealth Organization had lost a precious Black Level jewel. The Stealth Team had already conducted a comprehensive investigation and gathered clues from the masses to apprehend the culprit.

Zoila was stunned when she saw the news because the stolen jewel was hanging around her neck. It was a gift from Master Zhu when he brought her to the base.

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Immediately, she asked Master Zhu what was going on.

But Jayden, who had been so loving to her, suddenly fell out with her. He completely denied gifting the jewel to her, and he also said that he would report Zoila and send her to the military court.

Zoila was scared out of her wits by Jayden's words. She did not know what to do.

At this time, Harrison, the eldest son of the Yue family, appeared. He spoke on Zoila's behalf based on the excuse that the Yu family and the Yue family were about to be joined in marriage. In a way, he managed to shut Jayden up and force him to not report Zoila.

However, they ordered Zoila to complete one task, which was to trick Melanie over.

After listening to the whole thing, Melanie was fuming furiously. She glared at Jayden and Harrison and said, "This is a fraud set up by you. Zoila didn't steal anything. She was deceived by you."

Jayden was not angered when he heard that. Instead, he smiled and said, "You said we set you up. Do you have any proof? On my hand, I have evidence that Zoila stole the jewel. I wonder what will happen if I hand this over to the authorities."

Zoila panicked when she heard that. She hurriedly pleaded, "Melanie, I didn't steal anything. I don't want to go to court. I don't want to go to jail. Please save me."

"I—" Melanie's face fell at this moment, her expression was gloomy.

Harrison seized the opportunity to walk over and say, "Miss Melanie, we would soon be family anyway. Master Zhu and I are friends. I won't make things difficult for Miss Zoila."

Hearing this, Zoila was flustered. She quickly said to Melanie, "Melanie, he is right. Please back me up. I don't want to go to jail. I

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Melanie was not as naïve as Zoila. Harrison and Jayden had put in so much effort to set up a trap. They had used Zoila to trick Melanie over, and it couldn't be for nothing.

With a cold expression, Melanie looked at Harrison and said icily, "What on earth do you want, Harrison Yue?"

Harrison laughed when he saw this. "You're clever. In that case, I won't beat around the bush."

His eyes lit up, revealing a hint of malice. He then took a step forward and approached Melanie.

He twirled his tongue and said with an evil smile, "My request is simple. You and I are going to have a little fun."

Melanie's expression darkened when she heard this. Everyone could tell what Harrison meant by "fun".

"Shameless! Go f*ck yourself!" Melanie said coldly.

Even Zoila was surprised. She looked at Harrison and said, "Young Master Yue, my sister is going to marry your Uncle. She is going to be your Aunt soon. How can you—"

At the mention of this, a hint of disdain reflected in Harrison's eyes. He jeered and said, "I'm here to tell you that my Uncle Yohannes is now a disabled man. After losing his leg in Dragonville, he became useless trash. He had lost his whole life of cultivation in martial arts, even his manhood has lost its ability."

"Isn't it a waste for someone as beautiful as Melanie to be with him? Why don't you have fun with me instead?" He laughed evilly. "After all, I've been admiring Melanie for a long time now!"

As Harrison spoke, he reached out his hand to touch Melanie's face.

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Melanie jumped and quickly stepped back a few steps to avoid his vile hand. Then, she stared at him with a dark face and said, "You shameless, dirty b*stard."

However, Harrison was unfazed. Instead, he guffawed, "We're about the same age, and you're so beautiful. We are meant for each other. I admire you. This is human nature. Why are you being so repulsed?"

"Do you really want to marry my good-for-nothing Uncle Yohannes and live a lonely life?" Harrison approached her with a grim smile on his face.

Melanie said coldly, "You shameless b*stard, just give up. I won't marry into your family."

With that, Melanie grabbed Zoila and Fade, turned around and said, "Let's go!"

Jayden's face fell when he saw this. He shouted, "Zoila, do you really want to go to court?"

Zoila suddenly showed a look of fear and stopped. She looked at Melanie and said, "Melanie, I-I don't..."

Melanie was anxious and helpless. At this time, Fade broke his silence, "It's okay. Leave this to me. I will handle it for you. It will be fine."

"You—" Zoila looked at Fade with a look of disbelief.

Melanie thought of something and said in a hurry, "Zoila, since he offered to help, you can rest assured. He will definitely do it."

Zoila did not believe Fade, but she had no choice. She could only nod and leave.

In the private room, when Jayden saw that his threat was ineffective, his face darkened. Then, he gestured with his hand and shouted, "Stop them."

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Suddenly, with a loud crash, four Stealth Team members rushed out and stopped both Fade and Melanie.

Jayden sneered, "You think you can take her away so easily, in front of me?"

Fade looked at him and raised his eyebrows. "You want to stop me?"

Jayden smiled confidently and said, "So what? Do you dare resist?"

At this time, Harrison came over with a smile and said in an even more sarcastic tone, "Master Zhu, Mr. Chen is not an ordinary person. I heard that he is the top master of Dragonville. Even my Uncle was defeated by him. You must be careful!"

Upon hearing this, Jayden's expression became even more disdainful. "What bullsh*t. I've never heard of him!"

"Besides, this is Yudson City, not Dragonville!" Jayden looked at Fade and said with a look of threat and disdain, "Now, leave her behind, and you can get lost."

Fade merely glanced at Jayden, then turned to look at the smiling Harrison. Fade shook his head and said to Jayden, "Are you a fool? You've been used, and you think you know better! How pathetic."

"What did you say?" Jayden's face darkened menacingly.

Harrison immediately said, "Master Zhu, don't let him sow discord between us. He is deliberately trying to trick us because he can't beat us!"

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When Jayden heard this, he sneered. He looked at Fade and said, "Look, kid, you can't beat me with these childish pranks. Now, leave Zoila and Melanie here right now, otherwise, I'm going to beat you up."

As he said this, Jayden clenched his fists. The four Stealth members hurried over instantly.

They surrounded Zoila, and she was extremely anxious.

Fade, on the other hand, shook his head and looked at Jayden as if he was looking at a fool. He said, "You're really a fool!"

"You're courting death!" Jayden burned fury when he heard Fade mocking him. He punched Fade in the face with full momentum.

Zoila was so frightened, she screamed when she saw this. Melanie, on the other hand, seemed unfazed. She hugged Zoila and comforted her with a look of reassurance, "Rest assured. With Fade here, everything will be fine."

As soon as Melanie spoke, Fade's whipped his palm and struck Jayden's fist.

In an instant, a tremendous blow fell upon Jayden, forcing him to retreat greatly.

This shocked everyone. Jayden's confident face was momentarily fazed. He glared at Fade and shouted, "Come on, get him."

Immediately, the other four Stealth members also began to surround and attack Fade.

These four men were all early-stage Black Level masters and they had reasonable strength. When they attacked all in one go, their momentum was even more impressive.

Facing their siege, Fade was not afraid at all. He went up to them and punched them several times, "As part of the Stealth Team, don't you feel ashamed of yourselves for being part of this private feud?"

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"Don't listen to his nonsense. Beat him up!" Jayden shouted and rushed over to Fade's back.

Fade scoffed and mustered his strength. With a few loud thuds, he slapped the four men and sent them flying.

At this time, Jayden had arrived behind Fade, ready to ambush him.

However, Fade turned around in time and met Jayden with a frosty expression. Fade grabbed Jayden's arm fiercely.

"Let go—" Jayden was startled, and he tried to break free.

However, when Fade twisted his arm with strength, there was a cracking sound, and Jayden's arm had been twisted the wrong way. Jayden's face flushed red as he screamed in pain.

"You, you dare to touch me, I will kill you, I—" Jayden fell to the ground and screamed in fury. He covered his deformed right arm as he glared at Fade with hatred, gnashing his teeth.

Hearing this, Fade snorted coldly and stepped forward. He stepped on Jayden's left arm, stomping hard. With another loud crack, Jayden screamed in pain before passing out.

This stunned everyone present and a trace of horror appeared on their faces. They shuddered, and their eyes glistened as they stared at Fade in shock.

But at this moment, Harrison had a faint smile on his face. He stood up, walked to Fade, and said with a faint smile, "That was an eye-opener. You really are a true master of martial arts!"

Fade scoffed. He tossed a glance at Harrison, and said nothing.

However, Harrison went on to say, "But, Mr. Chen, do you know who the man you just defeated was?"

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"A Stealth member, so what?" Fade said lightly.

Harrison said, "Mr. Chen, you're really powerful indeed. You're not even afraid of the Stealth Team. However, Master Zhu's father is no ordinary man. His father is the second-in-command of the Stealth Team in Westamor District, Mr. Lionel Zhu."

Hearing this name, Fade didn't have any reaction, but the others around him were shocked.

"Lionel Zhu, the legendary God of War of Westamor District."

"It turned out to be him. Ten years ago, he was a late-stage Black Level master. Now, his power is immeasurable."

"I didn't expect Master Zhu to have such an extraordinary identity at all!"

"Haha, that kid is in trouble now. Let's see how he's going to end this!"

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Amidst of the discussion, even Melanie's expression sank. She looked at Fade with concern.

However, Fade looked calm, and he said to Harrison nonchalantly, "And, so what?"

"You—" Fade's indifferent answer was beyond Harrison's expectation. He sneered, "Mr. Chen, you sure are bold. I wonder if you would still be saying so, if Mr. Lionel Zhu came here?"

Fade looked at Harrison, snorted, and said, "Don't play these tricks on me. Do you think I can't see through your mind? Your trash talk, put up an act, make me fight Jayden, and use Lionel Zhu as a threat. Aren't you just trying to scare me?"

"I'll say it here, once and for all. I don't care whether it's Lionel, you, or the entire Yue family. Give me all you got, because, on the wedding day, I'm coming right at you!"

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"You can come at me with vengeance, and I'll bear it with all my strength!" Fade announced. Leaving behind these sonorous words, Fade, Melanie and Zoila turned around and strode away.

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When the three of them walked out of the club, Melanie looked at Fade worriedly. She asked, "Fade, is it really okay for you to do this?"

Fade smiled confidently and said, "Don't worry. He's only a mere second-in-command of Stealth Team. To me, he's not a big shot at all."

With Fade's reassurance, Melanie felt a sense of relief. However, Zoila was still worried and doubtful. She looked distressed as she furrowed her brows, as she did not believe Fade's confident words.

However, Zoila feared Fade more than anything. So, she kept quiet even though she doubted him.

Fade did not intend to give Zoila any explanation. In fact, he did not care about Zoila at all.

At this moment, his gaze was fixated on Melanie and he asked softly, "Melanie, where are you going now?"

Melanie paused for a moment. After pondering on it, she looked up at Fade and said, "I'd better go back to the villa."

"But look at how they treated you! If you go back there now, I'm afraid—" Hearing this, Fade was extremely worried for her, and his brows furrowed.

Melanie shook her head and said softly, "We are family after all, so it will be fine. I want to go back and have a good talk with them. After all, avoidance is not a way to solve the problem."

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Fade initially wanted to say something, but he immediately swallowed back the words of persuasion in his mouth. Then, he nodded and said to Melanie, "I will send you back then, Melanie."

"Yes, I'll have you trouble you, Fade!" Melanie said with a smile.

Half an hour later, Fade sent Melanie and Zoila back to the villa.

Just as Fade was about to wave goodbye, Qiana walked out of the villa. When she saw Fade, her face suddenly darkened and she said, "How dare you come here again?!"

Fade said blandly, "Why not?"

Qiana's face was full of anger. She glared at Fade and said, "Why did you take Melanie away by force? How can you explain that?!"

"What explanation do you want? Melanie only wanted to go out and look around, so I brought her out. Do you even need an explanation for this? Or do you mean to make her a prisoner?" Fade asked in a cold voice.

Qiana tried to argue, but Melanie spoke ahead, "Aunt Qiana, I'm back now. It's alright. Where is my mother? I want to see her."

As she was interrupted, Qiana could only throw Fade a menacing glare. Then, she tightly grabbed Melanie's arm and alertly brought Melanie into the villa. When she finally entered the villa, Qiana did not forget to instruct the bodyguards, "Without our permission, do not let anyone in, understand?"

Fade could tell that it was aimed at him. However, his expression remained unchanged. Instead, he whispered, "Melanie, don't worry. I will solve this matter."

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After that, Fade turned around and left.

A moment later, in the Yu family's villa, Bailey, Qiana, Rosy, and other female family members were sitting on the sofa. After listening to Zoila's explanation, their expressions darkened.

"What? You've offended Jayden Zhu!"

"His father, Lionel Zhu, is the second-in-command of the Westamor District's Stealth Team. Even the Yue family treats him with respect. You caused trouble for the Yu family again!" Qiana said sharply.

Bailey also looked gloomy. She looked at Melanie and said, "Melanie, you were there at that time, why didn't you stop him? You know how bad this would affect us!"

Melanie raised her eyebrows and said with anger and displeasure, "It was because Jayden and Harrison wanted to harm Zoila and me. Was it wrong for Fade to help us when we were in danger?"

Such a response took Bailey and Qiana aback, and they were momentarily dumbfounded

Melanie's mother, Rosy, who had been silent the whole time, spoke softly at this moment, "Bailey, Qiana, we shouldn't blame others, after all—"

Before Rosy could finish, Bailey glared at her and said coldly, "Do you know what happens when you offend Master Zhu?"

Qiana added fuel to the fire, "Now, we are facing enough pressure from the Yue family from the Capital City. And now, Melanie caused even more trouble by provoking someone as powerful as Master Zhu! Don't you realize that we are heading to our demise?"

In the face of these two, Rosy did not dare to speak. She sat aside in silence.

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Seeing this, Melanie's eyes gleamed. She stood up and said, "Fade said that he will handle this. You don't have to worry about it." After that, Melanie gripped her mother's arm and said, "Mom, let's go back and rest!"

Behind her, Qiana and Bailey shouted.

"He said he would handle this, but how is he going to do that? With his sweet talk?"

"This is the Yue family and the Zhu family we are talking about. What can he do? He's just a young brat from Dragonville!"

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Melanie ignored them and left while holding her mother.

Bailey and Qiana's faces turned sour. There was no better way. They could only call to inform their family of the incident. Then, they telephoned the Zhu family to express their apologies and tried to extricate themselves from the matter with Fade.

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At this time, at the Zhu residence, Jayden had his arms wrapped in plaster and was lying on the bed with a painful look on his face.

In front of the hospital bed stood a tall man in his forties. He was wearing a uniform.

The man's face was gloomy. He glanced at Jayden, who was lying in the hospital bed, and was silent for a while.

Next to the man, a woman was leaning on the bed. She was sobbing endlessly with reddened eyes.

She looked up at the man in uniform and said with a tearful tone, "Lionel, his arms have been broken with no chance of recovery. He will live his entire life without his arms."

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"You have to find the perpetrator and avenge for Jayden!" The middle-aged woman was full of resentment. Hearing this, the middle-aged man's face sank. He turned to look at the door of the ward and said, "Have you gotten what I've asked for?"

"Captain Zhu, we've got some news," A person spoke, walking over with a stack of documents in his hand. "This is how the matter unfolded. At that time, Jayden and Harrison were in the private room..."

After hearing this, Lionel's face became even more gloomy. He said in a low voice, "Who is this Fade Chen? How much do you know about him?"

"Captain Zhu, Fade Chen is from Dragonville. He's here in Yudson City because he is close to Melanie Yu."

"He's running his own business in Dragonville. His assets are at the range of hundreds of billions."

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"His wealth does not concern me. Get to the point," Lionel Zhu's face darkened as he interrupted his subordinate.

The subordinate immediately replied, "In addition to his identity as a businessman, Fade is a martial arts master. According to the rumors in Dragonville City, his strength is extraordinary. There are even rumors that he has defeated Francesca Sun, the top master in Dragonville."

"What? Defeating Francesca Sun? Francesca is a master at the peak of the Black Level. How is it possible for him to defeat Francesca?" Lionel immediately became suspicious.

However, his subordinate continued to say, "Other than Francesca, in the recent Martial Arts Convention held a few months ago, he defeated Franklin Chang and Yohannes Yu. He even rendered Yohannes disabled!"

"So he's the one who did that to Yohannes?!" Lionel could not believe what he had heard. He frowned and asked, "Is the information reliable?"

The subordinate paused for a moment and said, "There were many witnesses at the convention. It ended with Franklin being defeated, and Yohannes being disabled. But the audience could not comprehend the process of the battle."

Upon hearing this, Lionel's eyes flashed and he said, "That's right. Fade defeated Franklin and Yohannes. He must have used some dirty tricks. Otherwise, there's no way to explain it."

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"How could he, a young man in his early twenties, have the strength to defeat Yohannes, who is at the late-stage of Black Level?! It must be a rumor that's been exaggerated."

"Captain Zhu, what should we do now?" the subordinate asked.

Lionel's face fell, and he said coldly, "Didn't he say that he would bear all consequences at the wedding? We'll teach him a lesson when the time comes. Contact the Yue family."

"Yes!" The subordinate nodded and left.

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At this moment, in the Yue Family, a tall, solemn man in his fifties was sitting on a wooden chair.

He put down his phone, looked at Harrison who was sitting opposite him, and asked, "Is it true?"

Harrison nodded and said, "Father, that's what happened. Since Fade Chen has broken Jayden's arms, Lionel Zhu would not let Fade off the hook."

The solemn man was Graham Yue, the head of the Yue Family. He fell silent for a while. Then, he said to Harrison, "Although Lionel has decided to take action, we can't stay idle on our side. Go make the necessary arrangements!"

"Yes, father!" Harrison nodded, ready to leave.

However, just as he was about to leave, Graham suddenly said, "Tell your Uncle Yohannes about this!"

Hearing this, he stood still for a moment. Nevertheless, he nodded, "I will, father."

Harrison left the hall.

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Then, an elderly man who was thin and dressed in black robes, appeared silently beside Graham.

Graham was not surprised at the elder's sudden appearance at all. Graham asked, "Elder Lin, how's the situation over at the Old Master's side?"

The elder in black robes said in a hoarse and low voice, "It's almost done. It will end in a day's time."

"Good, very good. It's just in time!" Graham nodded and stood up, ready to leave.

But when he got up, he suddenly thought of something and said, "By the way, Elder Lin, what's going on with the Lightning Clan? Why hasn't anyone come yet, and there's no news at all?"

Elder Lin replied, "They must be handling matters of the Opening Day. They closed the mountain gates and hadn't opened them since."

"I see!" Graham nodded and pondered for a moment. Then, he thought of something and said to the elderly man, "You go and ask for more details, and I'll talk to Lewis again."

"Understood!" Elder Lin clasped his hands and watched Graham leave the hall. Then, he vanished into thin air.

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Just as all these parties were scrambling around and a storm was brewing discreetly, Fade was relaxed and everything around him was at ease.

After sending Melanie back to the villa, he went straight back to the hotel.

As soon as he entered the room, Fade's cell phone rang. He looked at the number. Jason Tu was the caller, so Fade immediately

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picked up. "Mr. Tu!"

"Fade, I have good news for you." Mr. Tu sounded very delighted.

"Mr. Tu, what good news?" Fade asked.

Mr. Tu said happily, "It's about the Ephedra Syrup. After Flynt's investigation last time, he brought the formula back. Now, the formula has officially passed the testing stage and is in production."

"The higher-ups are looking forward to this. They speak highly of you. They even want to give an award to you for this."

When Fade heard this, he smiled and said, "If this could save lives, that's all that matters. As for the award, I don't really care about it."

Mr. Tu said, "I know you don't, but this time, the officials are going to publicize your work as a positive example to society."

"Well, fair enough!" Fade said. He understood their intention and he himself did not reject it. After all, it was good to promote traditional Chinese medicine and further develop the pharmaceutical industry in this field.

After chatting with Mr. Tu for a while, Fade hung up the phone.

Then, he thought of something again. He unlocked his cell phone and made a phone call. "I'm Fade Chen, a special drillmaster of the Stealth team. My ID is *****. Now, I need..."

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In the next two days, the whole of Yudson City was in turmoil. Many forces and people had begun to take action in secret.

An invisible storm seemed to be surging beneath the surface of this bustling scene.

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Amidst the turmoil, the marriage between the Yue and Yu families was to be held as planned. At nine in the morning, all the doors of the Yue family's mansion were opened. Countless guests swarmed inside. Fade walked out of the hotel and headed for the Yue family, accompanied by Shelton. Disguised as Shelton's companion, Fade successfully entered the courtyard of the Yue household. However, the courtyard was vast, with almost a thousand people milling around. Therefore, the interior of the courtyard was divided into several different areas, according to the status of these guests. Among these was an area for VIPs. Only those with a certain prestige to their name were eligible to take a seat there. The Liu family, as a family of the Black Level, was naturally given seats at this VIP area. So, both Shelton and Fade headed toward the designated VIP zone.