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It had been ten days since Chuck's abduction. The wound on his head had almost healed completely and it didn't hurt anymore. Though, he felt something was wrong.

There seemed to be something that he had forgotten. Chuck could not recall it no matter how hard he racked his brains.

He shook his head and forced the thoughts out of his head. For the past ten days, Elise had come over to practice every afternoon. Apart from some necessary skills, Chuck had taught her everything there was to know.

He had no choice.

It was only when Elise's strength increased dramatically that she would be willing to grow more confident to challenge him to a fight!

If that happened, he could finally leave this wretched place!

His strength had almost recovered.

In addition to daily physical training, he also tried to observe the environment as much as possible for the last ten days. Things were definitely not looking good for him. He had initially thought to be in a desert, only to find that he was most likely smack dab in the middle of a lush forest.

Chuck had no experience of surviving in the wild. After he escaped, he would have to figure out how to survive in the dangerous forest.

He knew that this place was dangerous.

Even so, he had to get out of this place!

"Come on, what are you dawdling for?" Outside the glass window, Elise urged him.

Chuck came over and continued to teach Elise. He kept hinting at her to challenge him. He had done so for the past few days, building up her confidence bit by bit.

Seeing the smug sneer on her face, Chuck knew that she would definitely challenge him within the next three days!

"Why do I feel that you are becoming more and more useless?" Elise sneered.

In the past ten days, she had learned a great deal.

She had already mastered Chuck's attacking techniques. In addition, she had already understood various skills and techniques thoroughly.

The last time Chuck defeated her, he had pulled a sneak attack on her. Now, he wouldn't be able to pull anything off.

She was already stronger than him in the first place. Now that she had mastered his agility, didn't that mean she could challenge him?

Chuck remained silent, purposely showing a hint of anger on his face.

Elise was elated and said proudly, "You trash, I didn't expect you to be so bad at this. I'm stopping now. Prepare well for tomorrow, I will challenge you to a duel."

"Challenging me tomorrow? You haven't finished learning yet. Why are you so impatient?" Chuck deliberately provoked her.

"I have already seen through you. You are worthless. Now that I have finished learning, what else can you teach me? I won't learn anything further from you! Are you afraid now?" Elise taunted him in delight.

"I know what you've been up to. Are you afraid of being defeated by me? You are really trashy, do you know that? Men like you are worthless. Tomorrow, I'll beat you for good!" Elise left proudly.

Chuck's gaze was cold. Defeat him?

He had only taught her one-tenth of the combat abilities he possessed. How naïve she was to think that she could defeat him just like that.

Chuck laid down to rest. Tomorrow, he would finally escape!

He was going to make thorough preparations. After all, his trouble was only beginning the minute he left.

"Miss, if we defeat him tomorrow, are you really going to let him go?"

Her subordinate was worried. What if Chuck took revenge on her?

"Why not? It would only be a waste of money to keep feeding trash like him," Elise scoffed disdainfully.

"But if he leaves, he'll plan revenge on us in the future."

"Revenge? Would he even dare to? He's just looking for an early death if he even tries! If I tell him who I really am, he will wet his pants in fear. How dare he try to retaliate against me? I will destroy his whole family!" Elise responded angrily.

"Yes, of course."

"I'll give him the money after I defeat him tomorrow. Anyways, this is the Amazon. Let's talk about him taking revenge if he even manages to leave this place!" Elise continued.

Her subordinate nodded silently.

The next day arrived in a flash.

Having enjoyed a good night's rest, Chuck waited for Elise to come over and challenge him. After lunch, Elise came over as promised, immediately starting to make fun of him.

"You want to fight me like this?"

Chuck looked at the glass barrier in front of him that was still separating the two of them.

If it was not removed, he would not be able to capture her and subsequently attempt escape.

"Of course not. Remove the glass this instant!" Elise barked her orders at her subordinates.

Crack!

The glass between them slowly rose up into the ceiling. Chuck noticed Elise had made some progress. After all this time, she looked much more muscular than she was before.

Chuck would never underestimate his enemies, even more so when his opponent was a psychopathic and crazy woman like Elise.

He started cracking his joints and stretching, only to notice something odd. He frowned and asked, "Why is there a gun aimed at me?"

Chuck could see an infrared light locked on to him.

"Just in case," Elise laughed at him. She was not stupid.

What if Chuck was too desperate and tried to go on a suicidal rampage?

She was the descendant of the Four Greatest Households. There was no way she was going to risk dying with nameless trash like him.

Chuck was not worthy at all!!

"Just in case I win?" Chuck retorted sarcastically.

"Nope, it's just in case you go crazy and decide to attack me blindly! Be smart and fight me now! I'll be sure to treat you nicely!" Elise stormed towards Chuck.

She was excited!

Chuck didn't panic. With the way things were playing out, he had to hatch a different game plan.

"Let's begin!" Elise charged at him.

She struck at him, kicking with all her might.

Chuck was surprised. Elise was indeed very talented. In order to defeat him, she had worked really hard during this period of time.

Chuck dodged and tried to slap her.

"Are you sure you're able to defeat me? Is that even possible? Go to hell!" Elise laughed at him complacently.

She had already known about Chuck's tricks and had long been aware of how to counter them. How could she be beaten by Chuck?

The two of them fought fiercely!

Chuck's heart sank when he realized that no matter how fast he

moved, the infrared dots fixed on him could keep up with his rhythm.

This was going to be extremely difficult.

If things were to go astray, he would definitely be shot in the back.

What should he do now?

Chuck was racking his brains!

"Trash, die!" Elise was getting more and more arrogant. She seized the opportunity and managed to land a kick on Chuck.

He fell to the ground, coughing violently.

"Haha, turns out you're just useless." Elise ridiculed.

She could tell that Chuck was nothing more than trash!

How did she even lose to him before? Elise herself could not figure it out. It was ridiculous even.

Bang!

Elise attacked again but Chuck did not manage to dodge in time. She rammed her knee into his chest, drawing raspy coughs from him as he clenched his chest in pain.

"Cough, cough..."

Chuck was in a terrible state!

"You really disappoint me. I have overestimated you," Elise shook her head disdainfully. She was too disappointed at his strength that was blown out of proportion previously.

She had wasted so much time on him.

Now, for the ending blow!

Slam!

Elise rushed over like a gust of wind. Chuck stared at her and threw his fist at her. Elise couldn't help but snicker. He was really useless! His attacks now were full of openings!

Slap!

Elise slapped Chuck in the face. His fist couldn't even reach her before she had stopped it with her mere palm.

Chuck staggered.

"Does it hurt? I asked you, does it hurt? You don't remember? Well, that's how you hit me last time. Don't you remember? It doesn't matter. I'll help you recall!" Elise was very excited.

The red palm print on Chuck's face was the result of her attack. She mustered every bit of strength she had in that attack, finally drawing some blood from the corner of Chuck's mouth.

He attempted to attack her, but Elise slapped him across the face again!

Slap!

The sound resounded in the room.

Chuck was pushed back and he slumped against the wall.

"You already can't bear the second slap? How can you be so weak? It's not over yet. I will hit you with the same amount of times you've hit me!!" Elise smirked and sent her third slap at him.

Slap!

Once again, Chuck's cheek was beaten and was swollen.

Leaning against the wall awkwardly, Elise mocked him again. She was too happy. Last time out, Chuck had hurt her self-esteem. Today was finally the day where she could get back at him.

She was going to wash away all the shame she received from him! She was intoxicated with feverish delight. An eye for an eye!

A hint of hope flashed through Chuck's eyes. He was merely waiting for the chance where Elise would position herself in front of him and block the infrared rays.

Swiftly, he grabbed her as he shouted, "It's over for you!!"

He was planning to escape today. Almost instantly, he had stopped her attacks with one hand, with his other hand wrapped around Elise's neck. She was finished!

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Elise turned pale with fright!

How was it possible for him to catch her so easily?

Crack!

Chuck grabbed her neck and used her body to block the infrared ray. Elise could feel her air supply being cut off.

"You!! Did you just pretend to be beaten? You?!" She was furious. It was obvious that Chuck had been feigning it all along!

"Did you seriously think you could defeat me in just ten days?" Chuck smirked.

How was this even possible?

Elise was gifted but she had not reached his level yet.

"B\*stard! Let go of me! Guys, shoot him! Now!" Elise was furious.

Chuck didn't show any mercy towards her and grabbed her neck, slowly tightening his fingers around it.

"Miss, we can't! You're blocking our aim," Someone said nervously.

The gunman was also helpless. Chuck had seized this opportunity to suddenly use Elise as a human shield. His movements were just too fast!

The gunman was taken aback. By the time he realized what was going on, Chuck had managed to escape from his range of aim.

He couldn't pull the trigger easily. If anything bad happened to Elise, he would definitely die miserably.

"Let me go! You b\*stard!" Elise struggled profusely.

Chuck was too forceful that she was finding it hard to breathe.

"Bring me out of here!" Chuck ordered coldly.

"No, I won't! I was going to let you go but you actually attacked me. I'm not going to let you go anymore!" Elise was stubborn.

The confidence in her heart was once again shattered. She felt that she had been greatly insulted.

She was positively sure that she could defeat Chuck, only to have him defeat her in one move!

Elise was furious!

"You won't let me go?" Chuck snorted.

"I won't! Never! You b\*stard, you didn't teach me anything useful, you jerk!" Elise shrieked at him.

"Of course I won't teach you everything. It was foolish of you to think

that way," Chuck scoffed.

"You... Just you wait! I won't let you go this easily!" Elise continued to wail. She was sure Chuck would not dare to kill her.

She swore silently to finish Chuck off! She would never show him any mercy!

She had always been stubborn. Now that she realised that she had been tricked by Chuck, she was furious. To think that he was still hoping for her to let him go?

Dream on!

"Oh really?" Chuck whispered in her ears.

He exerted a little more force on her neck as Elise coughed in pain, "If you kill me, I swear that my people will kill you! I'll make sure to silence everyone you know, including your family and friends! Just try me!"

She was feeling very bold as she was part of the Four Greatest Households. Who would dare to lay a finger on her?!

"You really are something," Chuck continued using Elise as a human shield.

"If you let me go, I'll give you another chance and personally send you off!" Elise sneered.

"No, I prefer making the decisions instead of passively accepting your proposal. Does that mean you're not going to let me leave, right?" Chuck lowered his head. His gaze now was focused on Elise's back.

He continued using her body to block the infrared rays.

"Yeah, you'd better forget about it! I, Elise, will never be threatened by you! You'll be begging me like a dog soon!"

Elise was pleased with herself. She could feel the hand on her neck loosening its grip, a sign that Chuck was compromising with her suggestion.

What was he even thinking? To escape after harming her?

"I must say, your body is in pretty good shape," Chuck's face was expressionless.

"Wait, what are you trying to do? Jerk, you'd better move your hands away from there!" Elise was shocked. His tone was ominously eerie. What was he trying to do?

"Aren't you very proud of yourself? Didn't you say that you were so powerful? If that's the case, you won't mind your body being seen by your subordinates, will you?" Chuck smirked coldly.

"You... Stop! What are you doing? Ah!!" Elise's eyes widened in shock and anger as he grabbed onto her sleeve...

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Whew!

Willa and Karen found a building in the depths of the forest that was especially well-hidden and patrolled by guards.

"Chucky is inside?" Willa's beautiful eyes lit up.

Her intuition told her that Chuck was locked up inside.

She and Karen had been searching in the forest for three days. Finally, they saw this hidden building. With the amount of people patrolling this building, they probably hit the jackpot.

"Yes, I think so," Karen stared at the building, her eyes darting around the premise.

"Then let's attack them directly!" Willa was unable to hold back her anger.

She couldn't wait to save Chuck.

"Wait, I don't know where Yvette has gone." Karen was still thinking about this. Yvette and Black Rose had already probably arrived in the Amazon a few days ago

Why didn't they find this place?

Were they somewhere else?

Willa suggested, "Maybe Yvette is also nearby. She's probably thinking of ways to barge in." This was not an ordinary building since there were lots of high-tech equipment scattered everywhere. It would be no easy task trying to break in!

"Maybe. I'll use the satellite phone to contact Black Rose," Karen took out her mobile phone and called Black Rose.

After a while, Black Rose picked up the call. Karen immediately said, "Willa and I arrived at the Amazon and saw a building inside. You... What? You're also here? Have you been waiting for a long time? Where are you? Let's meet up! Oh, ok, Willa and I will wait here."

Karen breathed a sigh of relief. Black Rose told her that she was somewhere nearby. After noticing the impenetrable defense this building possessed, Black Rose and Yvette were thinking of methods to attack and enter the building.

After all, there were infrared rays emanating from the building's walls. If they were not careful enough, they would be showered with a hail of bullets.

After more than ten minutes, there was a rustling sound nearby. Karen was relieved to see Yvette and Black Rose creeping over.

Black Rose locked gazes with Willa.

They stared into each other's eyes. Willa already knew of the fact that Black Rose was protecting Chuck.



The two of them looked at each other for a few seconds, their grudges from before disappearing without a trace. They nodded silently at each other in acknowledgement.

"Black Rose and I have scouted this place. There's not many openings we can find, so..." Yvette trailed off.

The days in the Amazon had made Yvette look frail. She gritted her teeth and endured everything since she wanted to see Chuck badly.

"Alright," Karen nodded, "How about this? I'll go in now and get rid of the guns outside. You guys can come in afterwards."

"I'll come with you!" Yvette chimed in quickly.

"No, I will go alone. Willa, Black Rose and Yvette, wait here for the perfect time to strike!" Karen was the strongest amongst them. Naturally, she would take the lead.

She inched forward slowly and soon disappeared from their sight.

The three of them were all silent.

"Long time no see," Yvette started. Willa had come all the way to the Amazon on a plane just to save Chuck.

"Yep, long time no see," Willa answered.

Black Rose did not butt in. After all, she had been with Yvette for a long time and her perspective had changed a little.

She would no longer treat anyone else better easily. However, Yvette was an exception.

So was Willa.

Black Rose and Willa had long cherished each other. Now that they put their grudges behind them, it would be the best for them to forgive and forget.

The three of them waited anxiously. Eventually, Karen approached the building. She avoided all the infrared sensors agilely and stuck herself close to the wall.

Upon seeing a patrol guard, she ran over silently and snapped his neck with a soft crack. Nothing else could be heard as she laid her body on the floor and swiftly entered the building.

Entering the inner part of the building, Karen began to look for the control room so that Yvette, Willa and Black Rose could come in.

It was only then that they stood a chance rescuing Chuck. However, she was extremely cautious since her son's life was on the line here.

Her experience allowed her to quickly get rid of the people in the control room without a fuss. She turned off the infrared sensors outside.

Yvette and the other two saw the signal. The coast was now clear for


the three of them to immediately move in.

Yvette was nervous. She secretly muttered, "Hubby, I'm coming."

Willa had a look of uncertainty as she stepped into the building. She hadn't seen Chuck for a long time and yearned to see him. She missed him a lot...

A bead of cold sweat trickled down Black Rose's face as she looked around anxiously. After all, she was the one who had indirectly caused this for not protecting Chuck properly. The trio entered the building and regrouped with Karen.

"Let's go!" Karen announced coldly.

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"Sniff... You b\*stard! You're so shameless!" Elise broke down in tears. Chuck completely disregarded her cries and removed her blouse. How could he do this?

"I'll ask you one more time. Will you let me go?" Chuck repeated coldly. "No, I won't!" Elise retorted angrily.

If she did, it would be a terrible insult to her and her family name!

Chuck grabbed her clothes and threatened, "Will you let me go?"

"No, I'll let you go!" Elise was terrified. She'd be devastated if her subordinates saw her like this.

"Good choice. Now, ask your men to put their guns down," Chuck ordered.

"Put down your guns!" Elise yelled in terror.

She was enraged by the fact that Chuck actually managed to threaten her!

They put down their guns as Chuck held her as his hostage. He had to make use of Elise to escape.

Chuck grabbed her by the neck and backed outside, Elise's men following them closely. If anything happened to Elise, they would definitely pay dearly with their lives!

"Let me go! What else do you want?" Elise wailed.

"Tell your men to retreat!" Chuck tightened his grip around her neck.

"Cough... Retreat... Guys, retreat!" Elise struggled to order her men.

The men had no choice to retreat. After all, Elise's life was in Chuck's hands, and he would actually strangle her if they didn't obey.

"Let me go, or you will regret it!" Elise hissed.

"No way, I need to ensure my safety first," Chuck dragged her into the depths of the Amazon forest. His eyes were locked on her subordinates who had chased after him outside as he warned, "One more step and I'll kill her!"

"What the f\*ck! Let go of our Young Miss! I swear, we'll hunt your whole family down if she gets even a scratch on her!"

"Let her go!"

The subordinates were furious!

"I'll let her go when I'm safe," Chuck responded coldly.

He wasn't panicking at all. He would get back at this lunatic someday.

Chuck announced, "Step back! If I find anyone on my tail, I'll kill her right away!"

With that, he tightened his fingers around her neck as a warning.

"Cough!" Elise choked, her lips turning purple from the lack of oxygen.

The threat proved to be quite useful as her subordinates all backed down.

"Don't hurt her!" Someone shouted.

"I will let her go if you stop following me," Chuck grabbed Elise and retreated into the forest, slowly disappearing from everyone's sight.

All of the subordinates stared at each other in despair!

"What should we do? If anything happens to Miss Elise, all of us will be dead for sure!" A few of them started to panic.

"Follow her! We have no choice!"

"But what if he finds out and kills her?"

The subordinates immediately came up with an idea. After much discussion, the only way they could save Elise was to send their best sniper after Chuck and shoot him on sight!

Immediately, someone went off to make preparations.

They couldn't just sit and mope around.

Just then, a man frantically ran over and reported, "Oh no, someone broke in!"

"What?! How could there be intruders here? Kill them!"

Just before the furious leader could finish his sentence, someone suddenly shot at them.

Bang!

A bullet passed through the leader's head as he fell to the ground, motionless.

Everyone at the scene was startled!

Who could've done that?

Bang!

The onslaught of bullets left almost half of Elise's subordinates dead or badly injured.

It was Karen, Yvette, Willa and Black Rose.

As skilled fighters and assassins, none of these men were their opponents.

"Ah, please spare my life! Please!"

The remaining survivors begged for mercy in fear!

Karen walked over indifferently. They had gone through the whole

place searching high and low for Chuck but to no avail.

They were all flustered. Did they get the wrong place?

"Confess! Is there a young foreign man locked up here?" Karen questioned coldly.

"Yes, there is," Someone hurriedly nodded.

They had never met such a horrible person as Karen. She was a merciless killing machine who would slaughter whoever stood in her way. They trembled in fear, hoping she would spare their lives.

"Where is he?" Yvette was anxious.

"He's gone. He took our Young Miss as hostage and escaped."

The four women looked at each other in dismay. Escaped?

How could this be? They just arrived!

How did Chuck manage to escape on his own?

"Which direction did he run towards?" Willa asked anxiously.

"There..."

Someone pointed the way.

Once again exchanging glances, nothing else was said between the four women as they proceeded to massacre everyone in the building.

Everyone here deserved to die!

"I'll go after them."

Willa could no longer bear her frustration. This was the Amazon forest, home to too many hidden dangers. To make matters worse, Chuck had never tried surviving in the wilderness before!

"I'm coming too!" Yvette was anxious.

"Me too," Black Rose chimed in. She couldn't believe that they had missed Chuck by a breadth of a hair.

Karen was the only one who could smile as she set her sights upon the direction which Chuck escaped in.

Yvette, Willa and Black Rose were all dumbfounded.

"My son has grown up. It seems that I underestimated him for him to escape on his own."

Karen was very delighted. Her heart had been in her mouth this whole time. Now that she finally heard news of Chuck, her initial shock was now replaced with immense joy.

He had finally grown up. She was glad that Chuck utilized the opportunity well to grow and develop his skills. It was no wonder that she felt happy.

It was a challenge and training for Chuck. As his mother, it was sufficient for her to know that he was safe. After all, she had gone

through the same thing when she was younger.

"This forest is still far too dangerous for him," Willa was still worried about him.

There were plenty of poisonous snakes and spiders in the forest. Chuck didn't even know how to differentiate them, so what if he got bitten?

"Alright, you guys may go ahead and search for him," Karen agreed.

Willa, Yvette and Black Rose immediately rushed towards the forest.

Soon, they disappeared from sight.

An hour later, a helicopter appeared in the sky. It was Betty who had rushed to the scene with some subordinates.

She was shocked to see so many dead bodies sprawled around the building. Moreover, Chuck was still nowhere to be seen!

"President Lee, what..." Betty got off the chopper, the men following closely behind her.

They were all well-trained soldiers.

"Chucky was here. However, he fled on his own," Karen grinned.

"The Young Master escaped on his own?" Betty was stunned. How did he manage to do it?

This place looked like it had extremely tight security!

"Exactly. Willa, Yvette and Black Rose are currently searching for him." Karen was relieved. If they split up, at least one person would be able to locate him.

Betty heaved a sigh of relief, "The Young Master is really awesome."

Karen smiled slightly. Shortly after, her smirk disappeared without a trace and was replaced by a cold and stern look. She asked, "Betty, who is the owner of this place? Have you found out?"

"I did. It belongs to the Lawrence family," Betty answered.

"The Lawrence family?" Karen frowned. It was one of the Four Greatest Households, but she didn't seem to have a conflict with them. Why would they do this? Karen didn't understand. If they wanted to target her, why didn't they call her?

That was strange. What was going on?

"Yes, President Lee, what should we do with the Lawrence family now?"

"I'll deal with this when Chucky comes back!" Karen wanted to seek Chuck's opinion.

"Understood!" Betty nodded.

The fate of the Lawrence family lied in Chuck's hand. Karen would

definitely agree with whatever he decided to do.

"So what should we do now?" Betty asked.

"Let's go back." Karen turned around.

"Are we not going to wait for the Young Master?" Betty asked. Even she was worried about Chuck.

"Of course we will. We'll wait for him at home. My son is all grown up and I'm quite pleased with this," Karen smiled. Her emotions had gone through so much ups and downs that she couldn't really describe it with words. Thankfully, Chuck had learned how to save himself without the help of others. This was good news indeed.

Betty heaved a sigh of relief and boarded the chopper with Karen. Some of the men remained to clean up the scene.

In the forest, Yvette, Willa and Black Rose had been running for quite some distance.

However, they couldn't find Chuck. It was possible that he didn't even stop to rest in order to throw off his scent.

Willa suggested, "This is not working. We have to split up and search in different directions!"

Since no one was chasing after him anymore, the only danger now was the Amazon forest itself. They had to search for him separately.

"Yes, I agree."

"Same here."

Yvette and Black Rose had no objections. The possibility of finding Chuck if they split up would definitely be higher.


"Ok then, be careful."

"Got it."

"You too."

"I'll go this way."

"Then I'll go there. Good luck everyone."

Yvette and Black Rose left, while Willa her search for Chuck in an opposite direction. She had to find him and guarantee his safety. If not, she wouldn't be able to feel at ease. 

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