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As the staff reported the sums to her, Sun Ermei felt relieved that it was not her money that was spent
She would never be able to afford such a large sum in her life, even if she sold her organs!

She lowered her voice and asked, "Sweetie, this is a lot of money. Do you think Jihai will be able to pay it?"

Liu Lu replied, "Don't worry, Mom. He is my boyfriend after all."

However, Liu Lu was rather hesitant when she spoke. While Wang Jihai was indeed a manager, he was not an extremely high-earning one, and his annual salary was about three to four hundred thousand. For him to pay for a hotel that cost a hundred and eighty thousand per night was not a small sum.

At this moment, Qin Jun and the rest walked down and joined them in the lobby.

Liu Lu frowned and fished out her phone.

Walking to a corner, she dialed Wang Jihai's number and said, "Darling, I have something to tell you. My mom and I spent a night at the hotel and the bill was a hundred and eighty-five thousand."

Wang Jihai was stunned immediately as he exclaimed, "What! A hundred and eighty-five grand?! What did you two do! I thought I've reserved a room at the Winston Hotel for you!"

Liu Lu's face scrunched up in awkwardness as she pleaded, "I'm sorry darling, I didn't know that this hotel was this expensive. My mom upgraded to a Presidential Suite and even had the Presidential Suite Breakfast."

"Is your mom crazy!" Wang Jihai yelled into the phone. He could not control his anger any longer and continued reprimanding Liu Lu, "Your mom came from the village to visit us. I've been nice enough to

treat her good food, how can she do this to me? How could she spend a few hundred thousand for just one night at the hotel? Are you doing this on purpose?"

On the other end of the phone, Liu Lu was on the verge of tears. "I'm sorry Darling, we didn't know that it would cost so much. Please just take it that I owe you this money and that I will return it to you soon, alright?" she begged.

There was a momentary silence on the other end before Wang Jihai spoke, "Liu Lu, this is a different matter altogether. Remember that you have to return this hundred and eighty grand to me, one way or another."

He hung up the phone right after.

Liu Lu's eyes reddened as she welled up in tears. However, no matter how wronged she felt, she could not confide in anyone.

She used Wang Jihai's credit card to pay for the bill and checked out of the hotel.

Sun Ermei saw that Xu Juan had come down and asked her, "Juan, how did you sleep last night?"

Xu Juan was an honest woman and responded, "It was good. I've never slept in such a nice room before."

Sun Ermei pursed her lips and continued, "Did you have your breakfast?"

"Yes, we had the one on the boat. I didn't recognize a lot of the food served," Xu Juan nodded and replied.

Sun Ermei was rather perplexed at her response. Did they have the same breakfast too? How could they afford to pay?

"Hah, Xu Juan, don't boast, alright? I didn't know you were this materialistic. I was nice enough to drive you here so that you can visit your daughter. Look at you now, comparing yourself to me. Is this meaningful at all?"

The atmosphere turned awkward upon this as Xu Juan denied, "Ermei, I'm not comparing myself to you. How can I be better than you?"

Sun Ermei scoffed, "Whatever, I won't talk to you any longer. I will leave now, and you can take the train back to the village."

After that, she left the hotel with Liu Lu.

As they stepped out, Sun Ermei thought about the luxurious experiences they had last night. Her mood lightened as she asked, "By the way, Sweetie, I thought you said that your teacher would be able to arrange some work for you? How is that going?"

Liu Lu shook her head and lamented, "It's not that easy, Mom. There are many students and many procedures to go through."

Sun Ermei pondered for a moment before saying, "How about this? Why don't you ask your teacher out for a meal? Mom will treat her to a meal and bring her to a spa. Perhaps we can get closer to her!"

Liu Lu nodded and phoned her teacher to set an appointment.

Sun Ermei thought that she would not spend much since yesterday's meal had so many free dishes. Furthermore, they only spent seventy-five at the beauty salon even though there were four of them and they tried so many packages. Hence, she was confident that it was something she could afford.

After all, her son-in-law was a respected and important man.