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Seeing that Luna had come out of the room, Lucas immediately stood up and asked, "Are you okay? "
"I 'm fine, " said Luna impassively as she put on her jacket. "The results are coming out in a while more."
Luna had already discussed with the doctor and knew her blood test results would not be coming out with the rest of the checkups she had done.

She glanced at Lucas and asked, "Where's Joshua?"
Lucas gave her a faint smile in response. "Mrs. Lynch
called just now, saying that she needed him, so Sir went
back to check on her."

Luna paused. This explained everything.

Joshua was so worried when he brought her to the hospital and even insisted on listening in while she told the doctor her symptoms. However, when she came out, he was nowhere to be found.

The only possible explanation to this was that Alice had summoned him.

After finding out that she was pregnant, Luna no longer felt bothered by things like this. She smiled and glanced at Lucas. "Alright then. It's good that Mr. Lynch is spending more time with Mrs. Lynch. They're such a good match. They should be together forever."

With that, she ignored Lucas' surprised expression and strode into the elevator. "I'm off to find Gwen now." Lucas stared at her retreating figure, baffled, for a long time before he finally came to. He let out an exhale and took out his phone to call Joshua. "Sir, Luna came back from her checkup. She...seems to be very agitated." Lucas pursed his lips and continued, "I followed your orders and told her that you went back to find Ma'am. She seemed to be delighted and said you and Mrs. Lynch were a good match and that you should be together forever..."

Then, he could not help adding, "Did Luna receive some shocking news or something..."

Although Joshua and Alice were indeed a good couple,

according to Luna's past experience and attitude toward Alice, she would never have said something like that. Luna even tried to compete with Alice for Joshua's affection. When they came on their business trip to Sea City, Luna also seized every opportunity she could to see Joshua and get closer to him.

How could she have...changed into an entirely different person altogether after her checkup?

Lucas could not believe that she even thought Joshua and Alice were a good match and wished for them to have a long marriage.

He was puzzled by the sudden turn of events. "Alright, " said Joshua coldly and hung up the phone.

At this moment, he and Luke were in an office on the hospital's top floor, reading Luna's report on a computer screen.

"It seems that she's thrilled by this baby's arrival, "Luke remarked, glancing at the screen.

Luna was pregnant. She was about three weeks behind Gwen's pregnancy.

Luke glanced at Joshua and asked, "Is the baby yours?" Joshua put down his phone and clenched his fists. It was Theo's.

Ever since Luna had become Theo's girlfriend, Joshua never touched so much as a single hair on her head.

According to the time of the pregnancy...

This baby had been conceived on the day they were in the hotel next to the amusement park, the day that Neil and Nellie had left Banyan City.

Joshua still remembered everything that happened that day...

He and Luna were drinking together, and under the influence of alcohol, they had even kissed.

However, the next morning when he woke up, it was Alice in his arms, not Luna. After that, they had barged in on Luna and Theo together in bed.

Luna then announced that she and Theo were in a relationship...

Joshua narrowed his eyes. "No, the baby isn't mine."

"Not yours?" Luke raised his voice when he heard this. "Then whose child is it? The artist who sent her flowers that day?"

"Yes." Joshua narrowed his eyes slightly. "Maybe, she wouldn't be so happy at all if the child had been mine." Luna seemed overjoyed when she found out about this baby, so much so that she even wished him and Alice a lifetime of happiness together.

Did she like Theo that much?

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"Things are getting interesting now." Luke crossed his legs on top of each other and glanced at Joshua. "You asked me to keep your divorce papers safe just for her, and now she's pregnant with another man's child. On top of that, she seems to be delighted by this baby. This is interesting."

Joshua shot him a cold glance and said, "My decision to divorce Alice has nothing to do with Luna."

Luke curled his lips into a smirk. "Do you even believe yourself when you say this?"

Joshua did not answer.

Seeing how Joshua still refused to believe that his divorce had everything to do with Luna, Luke sneered and said, "There's no point lying to yourself anymore."

All of a sudden, Joshua's phone rang.

"You're a little talkative today," he snapped as he glared at Luke before taking out his phone, eyeing the screen. It was Alice.

Joshua furrowed his brows and cast Luke a murderous glare, signaling for him to shut up before he picked up the call. "What's wrong?"

Alice's sugary voice rang out from the other end of the line, "Joshua, it's getting late now. What time are you coming home? Have you eaten? Are you working late tonight?"

Joshua might have felt a tingle of warmth in his heart when he heard Alice's concerned tone back then, but at this moment...

He felt nothing but irritation.

He frowned slightly and asked, "Are you waiting for me?" "Yes," Alice replied, smiling. "I made you some crème brûlée for dessert. If you're going to come back in an hour, then I'11 wait for you, but if you can't make it, I'll keep it refrigerated and bring it out for you when you come back—"

"There's no need, "Joshua interrupted coldly. "I'm coming home now."

Alice froze when she heard this. Before she could reply, however, Joshua had already hung up the phone.

"You're leaving now?"

"Yes, "Joshua said curtly before turning around and leaving.

When the door closed, Luke lowered his head to glance at the divorce papers placed on the table behind him. He could not help letting out a feeble smile.

Gwen's ward.

Gwen leaned against her headboard and was so excited when she heard Luna's news that her hands trembled.

"Are you really pregnant?"

Luna grabbed Gwen's hands and nodded earnestly. "As soon as you've finished your surgery and I've made sure you're safe, I'll find a chance to leave."

Gwen paused for a while, then gripped Luna's hands tightly in return. "Don't wait any longer. Why don't you leave now? You mentioned that Alice is here in Sea City now and that Jason... It'll only get more complicated the longer you stay here. I can't imagine what would happen if Joshua found out about everything.

"Why don't I ask Luke to book your flight tickets and create an alibi for you here in Sea City, and you leave immediately?"

Luna felt a surge of warmth pass through her heart when she heard this.

Gwen had still not recovered yet, but when she heard Luna's good news, she was even more excited than Luna herself.

"I'll call Luke right now." Gwen picked up her phone and was about to dial Luke's number when Luna stopped her.

"It's okay. Waiting for a day or two won't change things." Besides, everything that happened to Gwen, even the baby in her belly, was all because of Luna.

She had just arrived in Sea City and had not even started helping Gwen convince Luke to let her abort the baby. If she left...what would happen to Gwen's baby? If she vanished without a trace, Joshua would not be willing to help Gwen either.

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If that happened, then even if Luna managed to give birth to her new baby and save Nigel, she and her child would still be forever indebted to Gwen.

As soon as she thought of this, Luna let out a sigh and lowered her voice. "Have you forgotten that Luke's men are protecting me? You don't have to worry about Jason. As for Alice, I haven't seen her in a long time now. Besides, she's after Joshua, not me. I just have to keep my distance from him for the time being.

"I'll try to convince Luke to let you do the surgery as soon as possible... I 'll leave this country as soon as you've undergone the abortion."

Gwen paused for a moment, then nodded in agreement. She sighed and grabbed hold of Luna's hand. "You and your child will be fine."

As soon as Joshua got back to the hotel, Alice immediately went up to him. First, she took his jacket and hung it on the coat rack, then retrieved his slippers for him like an obedient wife. She led him to the dining table and offered him a bowl of the crème brûlée she had made.

Joshua sat down at the dining table, gracefully picked up a spoon, and took a bite. "It tastes good. " "Really? You've been busy at work and away from home a lot lately, so I specially researched what desserts to make and decided to enroll in a cooking class," Alice lied. She was right about enrolling in a cooking class. However, contrary to what she claimed, the cooking class was just an activity for her to pass the time. The crème brûlée that she claimed to have made herself actually

came from the restaurant downstairs.

Alice thought she had concocted the perfect lie, but she forgot that she had left the takeout box in the trash can next to the hotel room door.

Joshua had noticed the takeout box as soon as he entered the room, though he did not feel like exposing Alice's lies.

"That's so sweet of you." Joshua smiled as he took another bite. "It's delicious. You can probably sell this if you want."

Alice blushed when she heard this and feigned modesty. "I'm happy that you like it." With that, she brought out another bowl of crème brûlée for Joshua.

After Joshua finished both of them, he yawned and propped his head in his hand, leaning against the dining table. "Maybe I'm just too tired today."

When she saw this, Alice knew that her drug was already starting to take effect. She immediately went over to help Joshua up. "If you're tired, you should go to bed and rest."

Then, propping Joshua against her body, she strode into the bedroom and laid him on the bed. She gently removed his clothes and helped him get changed into a fresh set of pajamas.

"Get some rest, " she said, clutching Joshua's clothes. However, the man seemed to have fallen asleep already. Joshua said nothing in response as Alice instead heard only his breathing.

It seemed the drug had exerted its effects.

Alice curled her lips into a sneer and tiptoed out of the room, still holding Joshua's clothes to her form.

She left the door slightly ajar behind her, so Joshua could still see her. He watched as she laid his clothes down one by one on the living room carpet and rummaged through every article of clothing.

After combing through his clothes for a while to no avail, Alice still did not give up and instead went through everything once again. Her search was so detailed that when she found a piece of tissue in Joshua's pocket, she

even laid it out and scrutinized it.

"How can this be..." Even after her second search yielded no results, Alice conducted a third one, frowning in bafflement.

This could not be. She had looked through the entire house and even Joshua's office after he had left for Sea City.

She even scoured the hotel room while he was out during the day, but she could not find the divorce papers. Therefore, she was certain that Joshua had taken the papers out with him, but...why could she not find them? Amid her confusion, Alice suddenly heard a cold voice ringing out from the direction of the bedroom, "Need any help?"

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Alice immediately stiffened when she heard Joshua's voice suddenly echoing through the silent room.
She must have misheard it; Joshua had eaten the crème brûlée that she spiked with sedatives. How could he possibly have awoken?

This was impossible...

Alice shook her head and continued rifling through Joshua's clothes.

"You don't need any help?" the same voice rang out from behind her just as she was about to reach for his shirt. Alice could no longer convince herself she was mishearing things.

She slowly turned around, feeling as though the joints in her entire body were stiff and rigid. She finally took in the scene behind her.

Joshua, dressed in a pair of gray pajamas, was leaning gracefully against the doorframe. He fixated his gaze on her, a smirk playing on his lips.

Alice felt as though her blood had run cold and her entire body had stiffened.

She opened her mouth but did not manage to say a single word. After a long while, she finally stammered, "Josh...Joshua."

"Yes. " Joshua curled his lips into a smirk and strode

over, then slowly squatted down in front of her.

He grabbed his shirt out of Alice's hands and sternly uttered, "What are you looking for behind my back? Why don't you just tell me what it is, and I'111ook for it together with you."

Alice was so nervous that she could not even form a single sentence. Her mind went blank.

This was not possible... How could this be?

She had put plenty of sleeping pills in the crème brûlée

Joshua had eaten. The doctor had told her that this dosage would not harm Joshua but would surely put him in a deep sleep for a while.

She had ground the pills into powder and sprinkled it all over Joshua's crème brûlée. He had eaten not one but two bowls of it, so how could he still be awake? "Let me guess." Joshua picked up his clothes, set them on the coffee table, then sat down gracefully on the sofa. He laid his arms on both sides of the sofa and leaned against the backrest, much like a dignified and majestic king. His gaze never wavered from Alice, who was still frozen in shock, and asked, "You're looking for the divorce agreement papers, right?"

This afternoon, after he realized that Alice had spiked his food and rummaged through his hotel room while he was out cold, he immediately ordered Lucas to investigate everything that had happened in Banyan City.

According to one of his servants at Blue Bay Villa, Alice had searched through his entire study while he was gone, and she refused to let anyone else do it for her for fear of missing out on any clues.

When he asked his employees at Lynch Group Tower, they said the same thing.

As soon as he heard this, Joshua passed the divorce papers to Luke to safeguard them for him.

Joshua thought that Alice would back off after what happened this afternoon, but contrary to his belief, she became even more outrageous.

Alice shook her head furiously. "I... I'm not." "You're not?" Joshua raised his eyebrows and glanced at

the clothes Alice clutched behind her back, trying to hide them from his view. "What are you doing with my clothes then if you're not looking for something? Are you trying to smell them?"

Alice bit down on her lip. "Joshua, you've misunderstood. Actually, I..."

She let out an exhale, and suddenly, an idea popped into her head. "I'm actually looking for women's hair. Yes..." Alice thought that this was the perfect excuse. "I'm looking for women's hair. Some of my friends that I met through the cooking class taught me how to determine if our husbands are cheating on us. One of the things they taught me is to look for hairs on our husbands' clothing that belonged to other women..."

Alice thought she had come up with a perfect reply, though it only served as Joshua's amusement.

"Alice. Did you forget what I told you when we were drafting the divorce agreement contract?"

The color drained from Alice's face. Her lips started to tremble in fear. "You said...you' re giving me one last chance... If I... If I ever suspected you of cheating on me ever again, we would... We would..."

No matter how hard she tried, Alice could not seem to utter the last word.

"We would divorce."

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Joshua spoke impassively, face devoid of emotions.
He crossed his legs and leaned back against the sofa gracefully. "I 'll give you one last chance to tell me what you're looking for. Are you really looking for other women's hair?"

Alice slumped onto the floor as soon as she heard this. She lifted her head and shot Joshua a somewhat helpless look. "Joshua..." she trembled. "Can you pretend you didn't see any of that?"

She did not dare tell him the truth.

"If you don't want to be honest with me, then I'll make my guess." Joshua looked down at Alice from his seat on the sofa and continued, "You've been very quiet and obedient for a while now. I naturally thought you had changed, but you didn't at all. You were just afraid that I'd divorce you, so you didn't dare do anything bad to Luna."

Joshua propped his chin up with one hand and glanced at Alice, whose face was as white as the wall behind her. "While I was here in Sea City, you searched my study and my office at Lynch Group Tower, but you couldn't find the divorce papers at all, so you assumed that I brought them along with me on my trip.

"You came all the way to Sea City because you knew that as soon as I returned to Banyan City, I'd put the divorce papers back into my study or office, and you wouldn't be able to look for them without me noticing. Now that I 'm in Sea City, it's much easier for you to search for them because if they're not in the hotel, they'd be with me. "That's why you came all the way here and spiked my food twice, just so you can find the divorce papers without me knowing, right?"

The color drained from Alice's face as soon as she heard this. She never expected to get exposed on her first day arriving in Sea City.

Alice closed her eyes in despair.

It turned out that the money she had given the butler and Joshua's secretary did not manage to bribe them after all. Otherwise, Joshua would not have found out if it were not for them.

Emotions of despair and hopelessness clouded Alice like spider webs.

She knew that this time...Joshua would not give her another chance. She had experienced firsthand just how cold and heartless this man could be.

Despite that, however, she still wanted to try her luck. "No, that's not it..." She clung onto the hem of Joshua's pants and pleaded, "Joshua, listen to me..."

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"Alice," said Joshua as he rubbed his eyebrows in exhaustion. "Let's get a divorce."

Joshua did not want to continue this any longer. He gave her chance after chance and picked up after the messes she had made. He was willing to do this because he knew this was the woman he used to love and that she had borne him two adorable children, but everything had changed.

This woman was willing to spike his food so she could get ahold of the divorce papers. What other lengths would she go to in the future?

Was he just a tool for her to use out of spite and jealousy?

Luna Gibson was never this type of person before. She loved him with all her heart, but she had boundaries. Alice had none.

Joshua did not think Alice loved him at all. If anything, her feelings toward him were just that of possession and control.

Joshua could no longer tolerate this anymore. He did not want to lie to himself anymore.

"I'll be getting custody of the children after the divorce. If there's anything you want, just let me know, and I 'll try to fulfill you. I hope this will be an amicable breakup." Joshua glanced at Alice's pale face and added, "I hope we can still be friends in the future."

This was the last straw.

Alice lifted her head in despair. "Are you really going to divorce me? You're divorcing me because of that b\*tch, Luna, right? I knew it! I knew that the only reason she came to Sea City with you was to seduce you! "Alice's face was etched with hatred and resentment. "It's her fault! Everything's her fault! Things were fine between us when you kept a distance from her, but as soon as you got in contact with her again, you'd always change! "

Joshua furrowed his brows when he heard this.

How did Alice know there was a period of time that he and Luna kept a distance from each other?

"Alice, you've been following me, haven't you?"

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