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It was Xu Jinshan who had asked him to come to the hotel for an appointment and told him that he had some business regarding the transfer of power of Yunhai . He arrived at the hotel room and found that the door was unlocked .

He opened the door and walked into the suite . He did not see Xu Jinshan, but he heard the door closing behind him .

He turned around and saw Xu Xinrou in silk lingerie, standing barefoot near the door with a wine glass in her hand .

She watched him quietly with a seductive smile on her face.

She only wore a thin silk lingerie, and her smooth and delicate curves seemed to appear and disappear beneath the wispy fabric. Any man who saw her would feel the urge to tear the lingerie off of her.

Huo Jingtang looked her over, his eyes lingering briefly on her fair slender legs . He was smart enough to understand what was going on .

"Director Xu asked me to meet him here . I didn't expect to see you here too, Miss Xu . "

Huo Jingtang was dressed in a black suit . He looked imposing as he stood there, showing no emotion in his deep and mysterious eyes .

"That's right, Dad has something urgent to deal with, so he asked me to chat with you in the meantime . "

Xu Xinrou walked towards Huo Jingtang but did not stop by his side . She went past him to the table, poured out a glass of red wine, and handed it to him .

Huo Jingtang glanced at the red wine in the glass warily, but eventually took it from her .

He sat down on the sofa and draped an arm across the back of it . He swirled the wine in his glass, a faint smile on his face . "I wonder what Director Xu wants to discuss with me?"

"Of course, it is something to do with Vice President Huo's interests . Like, Yunhai Entertainment... Or the right to inherit the Huo family business..."

Xu Xinrou sat down beside him, clinked her glass with his, then drank her wine in one go to show her sincerity .

Huo Jingtang's interest was immediately piqued. He curved his lips into a smile, then tipped his head back and downed his wine, too. Soon after his full glass of wine reached his stomach, he felt something stirring within him and his body temperature began to rise.

His eyes grew dark . He said bluntly, "So you've conspired with your father and drugged me . It seems that this is not just a simple business meeting!"

Xu Xinrou smiled with seductive confidence and smoothed her long hair . "You're really smart, Vice President Huo . You've seen right through us . To tell you the truth, I was the one who asked my father to make an appointment with you ."

"You wanted an appointment with me?"

"Yes, I've always admired you, Vice President Huo ." Xu Xinrou leaned back on the sofa in an especially suggestive pose . "A handsome and sturdy and charming man like you—who doesn't love a man like that?"

Huo Jingtang's ego swelled upon hearing that . He held Xu Xinrou's chin and asked, "Don't you have Chu Yuhe?"

Xu Xinrou looked at him with wide, innocent eyes . "I've broken up with him . It's just that I haven't announced the news ."

"What are you after?"

Huo Jingtang was not so foolish as to fall for Xu Xinrou's tricks.

Xu Xinrou put on a pitiful look, her red lips parted slightly . "I heard that you wanted to become the Huo family heir . I only wanted to help you seize what is rightfully yours . "

Huo Jingtang snorted, "You're willing to help me? I don't believe you're doing it out of good will ."

"I have my conditions, of course."

Xu Xinrou decided not to cover up too much of her intentions in front of Huo Jingtang. She knew what kind of person Huo Jingtang was and when it came to dealing with a dangerous man like him, it was best to come clean with everything.

"What?" Huo Jingtang asked with interest, releasing her .

"By helping you, I'm also helping myself . If I manage to help you become the Huo family heir, then you have to do two things for me: first, after taking charge of Yunhai, you have to sign me under your company ."

Huo Jingtang repeatedly looked Xu Xinrou up and down . He could see the burning ambition in her seductive eyes .

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If she could give him a hand and help him seize his right to inherit his family business, signing her into Yunhai Entertainment would just be a trivial matter.

"That's easy . And the second ...?"

Xu Xinrou pursed her lips into a smile and reached out to tug at Huo Jingtang's tie. "The second condition—you will marry me and make me Mrs. Huo."

Huo Jingtang's eyes darkened considerably at the second condition. He knew she had big ambitions, but he didn't expect that she would actually ask him to marry her.

There was danger in his voice . "You think you're qualified?"

Xu Xinrou already had a countermeasure in mind and continued to persuade him, "Whether I'm qualified or not, you still have the final say, but, don't be too quick to criticize me . You're after the title of the Huo family heir, and I'm after the title of Mrs . Huo . We can help each other . "

"..." Huo Jingtang fell into deep thought, seeming to be thinking about the deal . He was contemplating whether it was worth it or not .

"I heard that you're pursuing the daughter of the Xue family, but I can tell that woman is definitely not suitable for you . If you marry her, she may not be able to help you get what you want ."

Xu Xinrou knew what he was concerned about . She reiterated to eliminate his wariness . "You can rest assured that I will not interfere with your affairs after our marriage . You can do whatever you want . After all, you're not one to care about romance . It doesn't matter to you who you marry, but why not marry the one who can bring you the most benefit?"

Indeed so!

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Right now, Xu Jinshan and Xu Xinrou had approached him . Huo Jingtang analyzed their background and capabilities . Although the Xu family was not as wealthy and powerful as the Xue family, Xu Xinrou definitely had more brains than Xue Yating .

Xu Xinrou was right . He didn't need love . He only needed a good wife who could help him with his ambitions .

Xu Xinrou had fame and influence and she was clever and shrewd . She shared his principles . Huo Jingtang gave it careful thought, then decided to accept the deal .

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Seizing the moment, Xu Xinrou wrapped her arms around his neck and kissed him.

She knew that she had succeeded.

She could imagine her future . Married to the most powerful man in the entertainment industry and carrying the extremely glamorous title of Mrs . Huo . She could have anything she wanted, even if it was the wind and the rain .

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She used her daughter, Youyou, as a bargaining chip and forced Chu Yuhe to agree to break up with her, then had him transfer 10 percent of his shares to her daughter's name.

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Apparently, Chu Yuhe was not that depressed after all this was done. On the contrary, he had gone back to his old ways and began to live a free and unrestrained lifestyle.

Losing Xu Xinrou was not an entirely bad thing for him . For instance, he could now openly date his new sweetheart, Li Yuning, and walk with his arm around her in public .

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Chapter 404: A Preemptive Strike

"Can't say whether you can even strangle me to death, but if you're still not letting me go, I'm going to shout—Help! Someone molested me!"

At the same time Xu Xiyan shouted "help," she quickly grabbed the back of his jacket and yanked it over his head, then pounded at him with her fist. "Stinking hooligan, you dare molest me..."

One by one, the busybodies in the restaurant turned their heads after hearing a girl scream for help.

They saw a girl beating up a hooligan. There were several men who could not just stand by and watch, and decided to come to her rescue, rushing over to bash up the hooligan.

Chu Yuhe's head was covered by his own jacket and he could not see anything. He was punted to the ground by the group of men as they gave him a good walloping.

"Stop! Don't beat me... I'm not a hooligan..."

Chu Yuhe staggered to his feet. His perfectly combed hair was now like a chicken nest and his dark suit was covered with messy footprints. He looked very wretched.

He wiped blood off his nose and yelled wide-eyed at them, "Can't you see? I am the president of Juxing Entertainment and my surname is Chu! Do I look like a hooligan?"

In order to prove his identity, he had even flashed his gilded business card at them.

The group of men dispersed after Chu Yuhe yelled at them. He wanted to seize Xu Xiyan again, but she was nowhere to be found.

Every time Chu Yuhe met Xu Xiyan, bad luck would fall upon him. Chu Yuhe thought angrily, damn woman, she is simply the most cunning fox in the world!

Cursed woman!

Don't let me see you again, or else I'll make sure to teach you a good lesson next time!

Xu Xiyan had already long since fled, but she had managed to take a video of Chu Yuhe being beaten.

In order to prevent a certain someone from retaliating first, Xu Xiyan did not hesitate, and seized the chance for a preemptive strike. She sent the video to Wandou and wrote a short article about it, then told her to release it through various media channels.

In just one night, a scandal titled "President of Juxing Entertainment Molests Woman In Public, Mistaken and Beaten Up as a Hooligan by Passersby (Video Included)" had attracted many people's attention.

Those who had seen the video felt that Chu Yuhe was not "mistaken as a hooligan," but was literally a hooligan.

Long ago, since the scandal of Chu Yuhe's attempt to exploit Jing Xi, when he'd gotten his butthole wounded by her, Chu Yuhe's sophisticated and charming act had collapsed and his reputation had taken a nosedive.

[He broke up with Xu Xinrou just recently, and yet he was already fooling around with other women. This man should be dragged off for a castration!]

[Yes, he should be castrated!]

Somehow, Xu Xiyan has gotten herself into a habit of ruining the lives of scumbags and bitches who deserved it, and she would make sure that they were given a hard time.

As long as she exposed their ugly faces to the public, there would naturally be a large number of keyboard warriors who would help her bash them to death.

After a long busy day, Xu Xiyan sent her daughter back to the Jing family house before returning to her apartment at Shengshi Yujing.

On one of the shelves of the crystal closet, she was surprised to find a gift box wrapped with floral silk.

Weird. It hadn't been there when she was preparing to leave that morning. How did it get there?

Could it be...

Thinking of a certain possibility, Xu Xiyan became a little excited and immediately unwrapped the gift box. There were two discs lying quietly at the bottom of the box.

She knew it. Huo Yunshen must've asked someone to put the gift box here!

Was this new album for her?

Great! She had been thinking of taking time off to go to the CD store to buy the album. But now, she didn't have to anymore!

Xu Xiyan picked up the uppermost album which was titled "Huoxu." She liked the picture printed on the disc; it was especially beautiful and it was the scenery of her and Mu Chenguang on the beach of Estan.

She looked inside the box and there was another disc with an ancient style image printed on it. Wow! It turned out to be the "Majestic Land" disc, and there were some words written and autographed by Huo Yunshen.

The words were: [Jing Xi, I wish you and Ye Xun a happy marriage and a joyous life together. From Ni Yun.]

Xu Xiyan's heart sunk. What did he mean by writing these words?

Chapter 405: Finding Out The Truth

Why had he wished her and Ye Xun a happy marriage and a joyous life out of the blue?

No, this was not right. She had already clearly explained her relationship with Ye Xun to him. Why was he still mistaken about her?

Why had he written such a sentence?

Xu Xiyan put down the disc and opened the crystal closet door. When she came into Huo Yunshen's apartment, she heard the sound of the door opening.

Xu Xiyan thought that Huo Yunshen had come back. Her heart immediately filling with glee, she rushed over to greet him.

Xu Xiyan did not take a good look at who was at the door when it opened and shouted loudly, "Mr. Huo!"

After clearly seeing who had entered, Xu Xiyan's smile froze on her face. How could it be Huo Sanyan?

It was over. It was already too late to hide.

Huo Sanyan had been startled by Xu Xiyan's sudden outburst at the door and her egg tart fell to the ground from her mouth. She watched it roll in a circle before dropping still on its side near Xu Xiyan's foot.

Huo Sanyan traced her gaze back upwards from the fallen egg tart and saw a beautiful looking woman.

It was a woman. There was really a woman in her brother's house.

Huo Sanyan had always suspected that her brother was hiding a woman. She had finally caught her redhanded today!

Astonished, Huo Sanyan came closer to Xu Xiyan as if she had found the greatest wonder of the world. She looked at Xu Xiyan's face carefully. Hmm, she looks familiar. Very familiar.

She quickly picked through her mind. Isn't this Jing Xi, the woman who caused a sensation in the entertainment circle with her scandals some time ago?

After recognizing her, Huo Sanyan said, "You're Jing Xi, aren't you? Am I right? Why are you in my brother's house? What are you doing here?"

Huo Sanyan knew that Huo Yunshen had gone abroad a while ago, and some time later, her parents had gone there too to bring him home because he got injured. She had heard that he had encountered a riot attack.

Huo Yunshen had been resting at home and there was no one living in his apartment in Shengshi Yujing at the moment. Armed with the knowledge of where Huo Yunshen had hidden the spare keys, Huo Sanyan had snuck here so she could live closer to Ye Xun.

"Hello, Miss Huo. I'm Jing Xi."

Since Xu Xiyan could not hide anymore, she could only greet Huo Sanyan and brace herself for disaster. "I'm Mr. Huo's private doctor and I've come to see him, but it seems that he is not here, so I'll be going now."

Xu Xiyan braced herself to be blamed, criticized and sworn at. She could imagine how much the Huo family disliked her.

Since Huo Yunshen's mother hated her so much, Huo Yunshen's sister must not be any different, and she would not even be accommodating. She decided it was best to look for an excuse and leave quickly.

Seeing that Xu Xiyan was about to leave, Huo Sanyan grabbed her in time, "Hey, Jing Xi! Wait! Don't be in a hurry!"

"Miss Huo, I..."

Huo Sanyan became ridiculously warm and friendly to her. She dragged Xu Xiyan over to the sofa and sat her down. "Jing Xi, let me ask you a question. Can you answer me truthfully?"

"I don't know what you want to ask me about."

"Erm... I want to know what your relationship with Young Master Ye is?"

"He is my second senior." Xu Xiyan had already explained this before. Was there a problem?

"I know. Other than that?"

"He's just that. Nothing more. What's wrong?"

Huo Sanyan's eyes were filled with puzzlement. "Are you sure? If you don't have a special relationship with him, why did Young Master Ye provoke my brother? Not only did he insult him, but he also told him that the two of you are getting married. He said that you're his girlfriend and that you'll be his wife...?"

"What?!"

"You don't know?"

Huo Sanyan told Xu Xiyan everything she had heard from her mother.

If Huo Sanyan had not come to talk to her, Xu Xiyan might not even know that it was Ye Xun who had actually done such a dirty and foolish deed.

Chapter 406: Teaching Ye Xun A Lesson

Back when Huo Yunshen was seriously injured, Ye Xun had not only refused to help her deliver food to Huo Yunshen, but had also told him a lot of harsh words.

How could Huo Yunshen, a sensitive man, not be upset?

How could he not be heartbroken?

No wonder Huo Yunshen had strangely written the words "I wish you and Ye Xun a happy marriage" on the disc he gave her. It turned out that it was all Ye Xun's doing.

Huo Yunshen must've misunderstood. So that was why he no longer contacted her and distanced himself from her.

Right now, he must be really heartbroken. He must have retreated further into his shell!

Xu Xiyan was exploding with anger after learning the truth. She stormed out of the house, went over to apartment No. 104 and kicked at the door loudly.

Ye Xun opened the door and was pleasantly surprised to see her. His eyes sparkled. "Eh? Little Xixi, have you come to cook for me?"

"Ye Xun!" Xu Xiyan shouted at him.

She usually called him her second senior, but now that she was directly calling his name, it only meant that she was angry.

"What's wrong?"

Ye Xun reached out to touch her forehead. Did she have a fever?

Xu Xiyan shoved his hand out of the way and said angrily, "Why did you do that?"

Ye Xun scratched his head, completely nonplussed. "What did I do?"

"Stop acting dumb! I know everything now! You didn't get anyone to rescue Mr. Huo that night during the terrorist attack! And when I asked you to deliver the porridge to him that time, it turned out that you didn't do it. Yes, not only you did not give it to him, but you also made up nonsense in front of him to upset him. Why did you make up the story that we're getting married?"

Xu Xiyan's hands were trembling and her chest was heaving up and down in anger. Her tears were welling up in her eyes as she stared at him hatefully.

Ye Xun was still unrepentant. "I just wanted him to give up on you and stop hanging onto you! With his special body condition, he'll never give you happiness! You should wake up!"

"So what if his body is like that? Why do you have to humiliate him? Is his disability his fault? I don't want you to say those kinds of words to him again!"

Xu Xiyan was extremely upset. Although the Ye Xun she knew was an irresponsible and carefree person, he still had a good character. But why must he do so many things that she couldn't understand?

Was it because he loved her?

Did his love for her give him the excuse to harm Huo Yunshen?

If you love someone, shouldn't you respect his or her choices and sincerely wish for them to be happy?

Furious that Xu Xiyan was still standing up for Huo Yunshen, Ye Xun snapped back at her, "Did I say anything wrong? He is really a crip—"

Before he could say the word "cripple," Xu Xiyan had raised her fist and punched him hard in his face.

Her punch was powerful. It had contained all her anger and sorrow. It was nothing like a simple slap.

Ye Xun's head was thrown sideways by the punch. He staggered a few steps backward and hit the doorframe with his back.

He straightened himself and touched his painstricken face with a hand, then looked at Xu Xiyan, bewildered. "Little Xixi, you actually hit me...for him?"

"You only have yourself to blame. Have you even considered my feelings? I've always trusted you so much, but, what about you? Why do you want to interfere with your underhanded deeds?"

Xu Xiyan's face was already soaked with tears. Tears of grievance ran down her cheeks and the hand that she had been clenching was shaking.

She didn't want to beat anyone, especially not Ye Xun. He was her second senior, and he had been caring for her and her daughter for so many years. After all, she was in his debt for his great kindness.

"I did it because... it... it was all for you!"

Ye Xun was choking with anger. Although Xu Xiyan had punched him, he could not bring himself to punch her back. He could only bear it!

Chapter 407: Don't Steal My Prince Charming

"I've told you very clearly before. We're impossible. Why do you still not understand? I'll rather be single in this life than marry you. So let me tell you now, even if Huo Yunshen is disabled for life, I'm still staying with him!"

Ye Xun did not answer. He was fighting hard to keep his anger down.

How could he not understand?

He knew that Xu Xiyan didn't like him—she didn't love him. She did not have any special feelings towards him and she was only treating him as her senior, like her own elder brother.

But, he loved her!

It was because he loved her with all his heart. He didn't want to see her take the wrong path to her doom.

Whenever he imagined her marrying the wheelchair-bound Huo Yunshen, Ye Xun's heart would ache at the numerous injustices she had to suffer.

Even if she wanted to get married, she should at least find a normal man, then he would have peace of mind.

The air between them became tense. After a few moments of silence, Xu Xiyan wiped her tears and said to him calmly, "Second senior, you should go back to Estan. I don't need your protection. From now on, you should refrain from doing anything that will disappoint me."

Without looking at him, Xu Xiyan turned and left.

Ye Xun watched her disappear back into her apartment. Unable to vent the grief and anger he had accumulated, he could only slam a fist into the door.

Bang! The metal door let out a loud noise. Ye Xun's hand was wounded, and streaks of blood ran down the door.

When Xu Xiyan had turned her back on him, he had felt a sudden wave of fear in his heart.

Was Xu Xiyan not going to talk to him anymore?

After this incident, Xu Xiyan indeed ignored Ye Xun for a long time.

However, the punch from Xu Xiyan had given him a wakeup call. He was afraid that he and Xu Xiyan would not be friends anymore.

In order to redeem his junior sister, he had no choice but to put on a thick skin and do things that were beneath him to please her.

As long as Ye Xun was no longer a hindrance to her and Huo Yunshen, and as long he did not do anything to hurt Huo Yunshen, it was not impossible for her to forgive him.

She felt her heart aching as she thought of Huo Yunshen. She really hoped that she could still see him again. She had a lot to say to him personally.

Xu Xiyan officially joined the "Root of Evil" cast, and the production crew held a press conference especially for her.

The male lead actor, Liang Yusen, and the second male lead actor, Ma Haodong, were also invited to the event along with several other actors.

During the press conference, Xu Xiyan did not interact much with Liang Yusen; she had more interactions with Ma Haodong instead.

All the while, the production crew had deliberately been tying Ma Haodong and Jing Xi together and hyping them up, resulting in many fans who supported their coupling.

One of the reporters teased her, "Jing Xi, I heard that you and Ma Haodong have a very good private relationship. Is that true?"

The reporters thought that Jing Xi liked Ma Haodong. But they didn't expect Xu Xiyan to suddenly take hold of Ma Haodong's arm and laugh warmly at them, "Yes, my relationship with Haodong is especially good."

"If you were to look for a life partner, would you consider Ma Haodong?" The reporter deliberately steered the topic towards her love life.

Xu Xiyan smiled and glanced over to Ma Haodong who was sitting next to her. He raised his eyebrows at her. He was probably worried that she was going to talk nonsense about their relationship in front of the reporters and their cameras. Wouldn't it be bad if she were to cause Xiao Yuqian to misunderstand him?

"I guess so. If only he looked like my type," Xu Xiyan replied half-jokingly.

Ma Haodong deliberately came into the shot and made a funny face at the camera playfully. Xu Xiyan covered his face with a hand and shoved him away.

The reporter laughed and asked again, "Then, can you tell me...who is your type?"

Xu Xiyan pressed her lips into a smile. She was not going to miss such a good opportunity to confess. "Ni Yun, of course!"

Ma Haodong slid back into view again and chimed in, "Oh, me too. I like Ni Yun too."

Xu Xiyan pushed his head away with her hand once again. "I said it first. Don't steal my prince charming."

The two successfully completed the interview in a playful manner. After the press conference had ended, netizens began to ship Xu Xiyan and Ma Haodong together.

After officially joining the cast, Xu Xiyan began a tight and busy shooting schedule.

Xu Xiyan had planned to go to her prospective employer's house to discuss the job as a substitute violinist. But since her schedule was so full now, she could only postpone their appointment and focus on her filming.

One-third of the movie, "Root of Evil," had already been filmed during early production. But due to the incident with Huang Yanran, that one-third of the movie had to be reshot.

The editors did their best to keep whatever scenes were still usable. Those takes with Xu Xiyan as a substitute actor were mostly preserved, saving the production a lot of time and manpower.

Because the film was set to be released during the National Day Golden Week holiday, Xu Xiyan's schedule was very full during the reshooting period.

Every day, Xu Xiyan woke up early and worked from morning till night. After each day's shooting, she was so exhausted that she would immediately fall asleep on her bed when she got back home. She didn't even have time to spend with her daughter.

She had been working like crazy for the reshoot for half a month. It wasn't until the opening of the Olympic Games that the filming phase was finally complete, and the film was able to enter post-production.

Xu Xiyan took some time off to go to the hospital to settle her grandfather's hospitalization fees.

When Xu Xiyan got out of the hospital after settling the fees, she saw an ambulance parked at the main entrance of the emergency department. A group of medical staff was wheeling a patient through the main entrance.

Xu Xiyan's was surprised to see Huo Yunshen's mother, Chen Yunlu, following the ambulance staff as they rushed into the hospital.

A question came first thing to her mind: who was being admitted to the hospital?

Who had Chen Yunlu sent to the hospital?

Was it Huo Yunshen?

Xu Xiyan's heart sunk at that thought, her feet unconsciously steering her toward the emergency department. She would not have peace until she knew who the ambulance had sent to the hospital.

Xu Xiyan came near to the emergency room and saw Chen Yunlu, who was anxiously waiting outside the door, but Xu Xiyan did not rush up to her. After all, Chen Yunlu did not like her.

Instead, Xu Xiyan went to the nurse station and asked the nurse there. It turned out that the patient who had been sent into the emergency room was Chen Yunlu's husband, Huo Zhen. It seemed that he'd had a stroke.

The news left Xu Xiyan feeling conflicted, and she wondered uneasily whether Huo Yunshen knew about his father's sudden stroke.

Huo Yunshen had been informed along with his sisters and they were all rushing to the hospital now.

Xu Xiyan didn't have to wait long before seeing them arriving at the hospital. Huo Sanyan was the first to rush into the emergency room. She was then followed by Huo Yunshen's eldest sister Huo Yijing with her son Lu Qiancheng.

The last one to arrive was Huo Yunshen.

An electric wheelchair came through the corridor and Xu Xiyan fixed her eyes on the man sitting in it. She had not seen him for a long time, since he'd been injured back in Estan.

He must've recovered from his injuries now, right?

Xu Xiyan had been staying where she was because she wanted to catch a glimpse of him. Now that she had finally seen him, her eyes did not leave Huo Yunshen.

She noticed that he was wearing a simple shirt and a pair of black casual trousers. He must've been in a hurry if he had dressed so simply.

After not seeing him for a long time, he had become a lot thinner. His thick and dark eyebrows were furrowed and his thin lips were pressed tightly together. She could see that he must have been really worried about his father's condition.

His heart was entirely focused on the man in the operating room. When he passed by her, he did not notice her presence.

Xu Xiyan was standing in a corner where she could not be easily seen. She watched him pass her by and let her gaze follow him until he was united with his mother and his sisters.

His mother and sisters were weeping sadly. Huo Yunshen could only keep comforting them, though his grief was no less than theirs.

Chapter 409: Gloating Inside

As the only son in the family, Huo Yunshen had to be strong.

It was very depressing to see a loved one hanging uncertainly near the edge of life and death in an operating room.

If it was possible, Xu Xiyan wished to stand by Huo Yunshen's side and give him the comfort he needed.

Even so, she was not supposed to stay here too long. Xu Xiyan only stayed for a little while before leaving the emergency department.

She was only there to secretly catch a glimpse of him anyway, and she was glad to see him well.

At the moment she could only pray for his father silently. She prayed that he would be fine so Huo Yunshen would not be too distraught.

Outside the emergency room, Huo Yunshen suddenly turned around to look at the end of the corridor, but only saw a vague shape of someone's back that quickly disappeared around the corner.

That back looked so familiar. It really seemed like Xu Xiyan.

But maybe he was mistaken. How could Xu Xiyan be here?

At this time, Huo Yunshen didn't have the energy to think about other matters. He only hoped that his father would come out of the operating room quickly.

Not long after, Huo Jingtang came, having received the news as well. He was full of worry as he asked about his uncle's situation, then went over to comfort his aunt kindly. After that, he accompanied Huo Yunshen and his sisters and waited for the doctor's news about Huo Zhen.

After a few hours, the lights in the operating room went out. The doctor came out and the Huo family members immediately went up to him to ask about the situation.

The doctor shook his head and said that the patient had missed the golden hour for the best chance of treatment. Although the operation had been successful, the patient was still in a deep coma. The chance of waking up was small and the situation was not very optimistic.

After listening to the doctor's words, Chen Yunlu became very distraught and immediately fainted.

Huo Sanyan and Huo Yijing caught their mother and stopped her from falling over. They were also crying uncontrollably at the news.

Huo Yunshen was sitting in his wheelchair with his head lowered, feeling great pain in his heart. The thought of his father not waking up again suffocated him with pain.

Huo Jingtang, who was next to him, also showed grief on his face, but he was gloating inside.

Huo Zhen's sudden illness meant that the heavy responsibility of running the Huo Group would definitely fall upon his father, Huo Lin's, shoulders. To him, this was another big step closer to seizing power over the Huo family.

After Huo Zhen was transferred to the ICU ward, Huo Yunshen had been waiting outside the ward. He had told his eldest and third sister to take their mother home for a rest and also told them to keep this a secret from their grandfather, lest he suffers another blow.

Unfortunately, someone had to stir up a storm. The first thing Huo Jingtang did after returning to the Huo family mansion was to tell Huo Xun about Huo Zhen's stroke and coma.

Huo Xun was old and weak. When he heard about this incident, he was so distraught that he fell very ill. At this time, it was one misfortune after another for the Huo family.

For Huo Jingtang, good times were coming. The three most important members of the Huo family were not able to manage the group company. At the moment, all affairs were being taken care of by Huo Jingtang and his father.

That evening, in a private apartment, Huo Jingtang and Xu Xinrou lay together in bed, gasping for their breaths after a round of passionate lovemaking.

Huo Jingtang twirled a finger through Xu Xinrou's hair and said affectionately to her, "I'm curious. How did you manage to upset Huo Zhen?"

Xu Xinrou lifted a fair-skinned arm and placed her hand onto Huo Jingtang's shoulder, glancing at him with her alluring eyes. "How I managed to upset him is not of your concern. What matters most is the result. Once Huo Zhen falls, you will have your chance, isn't that right?"

It was true that Huo Zhen's stroke was Xu Xinrou's doing.

It didn't take her much effort to do so. All she did was get some evidence about Huo Zhen and Jing Ruyue's scandal from her father and used them to anger Huo Zhen.

"Yes, my uncle's life is hanging in the balance and the news was a great blow to my grandfather. We've killed two birds with one stone. But, I'm worried. What if my uncle wakes up? What should I do?"

Chapter 410: You'll Get A Cut

"Don't worry, even if he does wake up, he wouldn't dare blame it on me," Xu Xinrou said. "You should focus on preparing for the extraordinary general meeting."

"You've really helped me a lot this time, babe. How could I ever repay you?" Huo Jingtang said.

Xu Xinrou did not say anything and extended her white left hand. The only thing left on it was a piece of jewelry on her ring finger.

Huo Jingtang wasn't stupid, he knew what she wanted.

"Fret not, my dear," Huo Jingtang said as he kissed her hand. "You'll get a cut of the share when I become the CEO of Yunhai Entertainment."

Xu Xinrou's red lips curled up as she smiled beautifully. Charmed by her beauty, Huo Jingtang rolled over and pinned her beneath him.

With Xu Xinrou's help, Huo Jingtang could hit two birds with one stone. He believed that it wouldn't be long before he could become the new head of the Huo family.

The next step for him to take would be to hold the extraordinary general meeting and dismiss Huo Yunshen as the CEO of Yunhai Entertainment.

Since he'd already bought off most of the company's higher-ups, he was sure that he'd definitely get the votes he needed.

While Huo Jingtang was plotting to take over the company, Huo Yunshen was busy running in and out of the hospital worried about his family.

Yi Xiao had reported every movement Huo Jingtang made during Huo Yunshen's absence, yet he did not take any actions against his cousin.

The only thing that mattered to him at the moment was the well-being of his father and grandfather.

Huo Yunshen was about to return home that evening when Huo Jingtang arrived at the hospital.

"Yunshen, how's uncle? Is he better?" Huo Jingtang asked.

"He's still the same," Huo Yunshen said while shaking his head.

"How 'bout grandpa?"

"Look for yourself, I'll take my leave first."

Huo Yunshen was spent after spending a few sleepless nights in the hospital. A messy beard began to grow wildly on his thin jaw, while veins began to appear in his eyes.

What he needed then was a shower and a good rest.

"Oh," Huo Yunshen's voice rang again after rolling himself towards the door for a couple of meters. "Thank you for taking care of everything while I'm gone. Sorry for throwing everything on your shoulders so suddenly."

"Don't worry about it," Huo Jingtang smiled. "It's my job."

Huo Yunshen raised his head and looked at Huo Jingtang as he remained silent. He turned his wheelchair and was about to leave.

"Wait," Huo Jingtang stopped him. "Let me drive you home."

In truth, Huo Jingtang was at the hospital because he wanted to say something important to Huo Yunshen.

"All right, can you take me back to Shengshi Yujing?"

When they arrived at Shengshi Yujing, Huo Jingtang pushed Huo Yunshen back into his house. Xu Xiyan came back just a few seconds after them and noticed them.

She was surprised to see Huo Yunshen back home, and what was more, Huo Jingtang was with him.

Xu Xiyan waited for them to go into Room 101 before going back into her house.

Huo Jingtang noticed a pair of lady slippers while he was taking off his shoes but did not make any comments about it.

Huo Yunshen rolled himself into the living room and turned to look at his cousin.

"I heard that you've asked for an extraordinary general meeting tomorrow. Why?"