Secret Love 2361

Chapter 2361: Is there something wrong with your head?

"Come come come, I'll give you some more bullets... You can resist an army of a thousand now, no?" Yi Lingjun said with a chuckle.

Ye Wanwan quietly put away the treasure.

"These next few days, you'd be better staying at home and refraining from going outside. I'll mobilize some people to guard the perimeters of your place," Yi Lingjun added.

"Mm, understood." Ye Wanwan nodded.

In reality, now that she possessed this treasure... what manpower did she need?

After leaving the Yi residence, Ye Wanwan returned to her residence and stayed home for a whole three days.

In these three days though, the man didn't appear.

Ye Wanwan couldn't help but snort. He declared he would strip away her life within three days, but there wasn't a trace of him.

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About a week later:

It was late at night again when an odd noise rang out in the house.

Ye Wanwan frowned deeply. This time, she learned her lesson and quietly flipped on the lights in her bedroom first.

However, just like last time, the circuits might've been cut and the light didn't turn on.

Ye Wanwan loaded the bullets and slowly treaded out of her bedroom.

"Heh, Miss Yi, my sincerest apologies. I had business the past couple of days, so I was delayed. I didn't make Miss Yi wait too long, right?" The man's voice came from the usual place.

"No worries. I'm very curious though: Who sent you to kill me?" Ye Wanwan asked.

"Miss Yi, everything regarding our employers is confidential," the man replied in good humor.

"Is that so?" Ye Wanwan's lips curled up as she pointed the dark end of the gun toward the man. "What if I ask you now? Is it still confidential?"

With the faint moonlight outside, the man saw the gun in Ye Wanwan's hand.

"You're the daughter of the Arbitration Council's president, yet you break the rules and use firearms?!" The man furrowed his brows. "Heh, break the rules... That'd require someone to find out first, no?" As Ye Wanwan spoke, she put on the gun's silencer. "Look, my place has decent soundproofing already, and when I add this, no will notice. No one will know you died. No one will know how you died."

"Since you won't say, I don't want to know. Goodbye."

Ye Wanwan's lips curled up, and she gently pulled the trigger.

However, a second later, there wasn't a decibel of noise.

"D*mn... How come there isn't any sound with this silencer?" Ye Wanwan was astonished.

"Haha, I don't think it's the silencer that's making it noiseless, Miss Yi. I wager you don't have any bullets inside your gun." The man's voice was still present.

Ye Wanwan's brows locked together and she opened the magazine and indeed, the bullets she loaded earlier had disappeared without a trace.

Where were her bullets?!

"Miss Yi, are these yours?" The man extended his hand and carelessly tossed some bullets onto the floor.

"You... when?"

Ye Wanwan was stunned. This man stole her bullets?!

"Heh, Miss Wanwan, you might be overly underestimating my strength." The man shook his head and reached into his pockets, also drawing out a gun. The black end pointed precisely at Ye Wanwan.

Evidently, this man also didn't care about the rules. Thankfully, she wore a bulletproof vest... As long as she didn't get hit in the head, she would be fine...

"Alright, Miss Yi, everything will end now. May I ask what final words you have to say?" the man asked.

Before Ye Wanwan could respond, a ringtone resounded in the room.

The man looked apologetically at Ye Wanwan. "Miss Yi, please wait a moment. I will take this call first."

He then ignored Ye Wanwan and took out his phone.

"Nameless Nie, is there something wrong with your head... Don't you know I'm carrying out a mission? Why are you calling me?"

The man sounded disgruntled.

Chapter 2362: He wants to kill me

Ye Wanwan was startled. Whose name did he say just now... Nameless Nie?

Ye Wanwan even thought she had misheard. However, in the silent night, Ye Wanwan could faintly hear a familiar voice from the other end of the phone.

"What mission? You're not giving me a share?"

The man snorted. "What mission could it be? Didn't I tell you last time? Kill the daughter of the Arbitration Council's president."

"I remember now... How's the compensation?"

"You should know about a mission like this. The risk we undertake is high, so the compensation is naturally satisfactory; otherwise, I wouldn't want to take it," the man replied.

Ye Wanwan was dumbfounded. Wasn't he carrying out his mission? Why's he starting a long phone conversation?

"Next time you have a mission like this, call me up."

"What? You need money again?" The man smiled.

"Ling Miao's current treatment costs a lot of money."

"Mm, I understand. Tell me when you need money. After I finish this mission, I'll send you the money. Also, I asked about Ling Miao for you. There are several specialists overseas, so I'll invite them here so they can analyze Ling Miao's situation," the man said after a moment of thought.

"Okay."

"Talk to you later, I'm busy right now."

"Got it. I'll let you go."

The man hung up afterward.

The man's gaze landed on Ye Wanwan again, his lips turning up. "Miss Yi, sorry about my friend calling and making you wait... Let's start over again."

"Your friend is Nameless Nie?" The corners of Ye Wanwan's lips twitched.

"What? You want to act all familiar with me? Sorry, but it won't work with me," the man mocked her.

"Act your a**." Ye Wanwan called Nameless Nie immediately.

"What's happening?" Nameless Nie's voice came from the other end.

"Nameless Nie, your friend wants to kill me!" Ye Wanwan hastily cried.

"My friend? Wants to kill you?" Nameless Nie sounded baffled.

Ye Wanwan immediately turned on the speaker. "It's the friend who you called just now! His mission's target is me! Talk to him yourself!"

Before Nameless Nie could say anything else, Ye Wanwan directly tossed the phone at the man across the room.

The man frowned slightly and caught the phone but hung up. He then pulled out his own phone and dialed Nameless Nie's number.

"Hey... What mission did you accept?" Nameless Nie questioned.

"Assassinating Yi Yunmo, the daughter of the Arbitration Council president, Yi Lingjun..." the man replied, his voice puzzled.

"If you're assassinating Yi Lingjun's daughter, why did my sister call me and tell me you're assassinating her?" Nameless Nie turned more baffled.

"You're talking about Worriless Nie? I'm assassinating Worriless Nie? Is there something wrong with your head, Nameless Nie? Hold on, let me hang up." The man then ended the call and started a video call instead.

The man held the gun in his left hand and the phone in his right hand, slowly stepping closer to Ye Wanwan.

Soon, Ye Wanwan saw Nameless Nie on the other man's phone screen.

"Brother! It's him! He wants to kill me!" Ye Wanwan screamed at Nameless Nie.

"Worriless..." Nameless Nie was startled when he saw Ye Wanwan.

The man froze in his spot when he saw this brother and sister reuniting. "You're Worriless Nie? But you don't look alike... Aren't you Yi Yunmo, the daughter of the Arbitration Council president? How did you turn into Worriless Nie?"

Chapter 2363: Rejected eight times

"Yuan Xiao, f*ck your grandpa, f*ck your @##(, f*ck your @#&@(mission! You #&\$# didn't even recognize Worriless Nie?" Nameless Nie launched a tirade of curses from the other end.

"Yuan Xiao?!"

Ye Wanwan stared at the man in astonishment. So it's that guy... No wonder his voice sounded familiar...

Ye Wanwan knew Yuan Xiao many years ago when she was still in the Independent State and hadn't gone to China yet. Back then, Yuan Xiao and Nameless Nie were diehard friends and often carried out all kinds of missions together, and Ye Wanwan had accompanied them several times.

Ye Wanwan stripped the man of his black mask. When she saw that face clearly, she was at a loss for words. It really was Yuan Xiao.

"Yuan Xiao, you stupid idiot! If my younger sister is missing even a strand of hair, I will murder you!"

"Alright alright, don't scream abuse in the street like a fishwife! You're so boorish! Why are you blaming me anyway? How would I know the daughter of the Arbitration Council's president, Yi Yunmo, was Worriless Nie? Did you know?" Yuan Xiao demanded with a frown.

"How would I know?!" Nameless Nie snapped brusquely.

"Nameless Nie, you @#&%, you @#\$%!! If even you—her real brother—didn't know, how could I have known? Where do you get the nerve to insult me? Scram!"

Yuan Xiao hung up the video call, not giving Nameless Nie another opportunity to launch into a tirade.

A moment later, Yuan Xiao and Ye Wanwan stared at each other.

"You don't look like her... You also aren't as good-looking as before... How did you change so much? Your looks have worsened!" Yuan Xiao stared at Ye Wanwan, an expression of agony on his face.

Ye Wanwan: "..."

Isn't there a problem with this fool's focus? Shouldn't he ask me why I became Yi Yunmo...?

Also! My looks worsened? Is he blind?

I clearly made a comeback, alright?!

"Worriless Nie, what the heck are you doing? Weren't you in Yun City? Why are you in Tianshui City now and why did you become Yi Lingjun's daughter?" Yuan Xiao was very confused.

"None of your business," Ye Wanwan replied.

Yuan Xiao's phone started ringing again.

"Yuan Xiao, I'm gonna #\$%@& your grandfather!" Nameless Nie resumed his yelling.

"Nameless Nie, I'll #\$%@& your grandfather!" Not to be outdone, Yuan Xiao cursed back before hanging up.

"Worriless Nie, your brother is so crude," Yuan Xiao said to Ye Wanwan.

Ye Wanwan glanced at Yuan Xiao. "Did he learn his insults from you?"

"A real man doesn't boast about his past achievements... that's in the past... Oh right, I heard Nameless Nie mention that you ran off to China in the years you disappeared. Why?" Yuan Xiao inquired curiously.

"Don't waste my time. Hurry and put my house's circuits back together," Ye Wanwan irritatedly ordered him.

"Do you think I know how to restore them simply because I know how to cut them?"

"Will you go or not?" Ye Wanwan furrowed her brows.

"Fine fine fine."

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Minutes later, the light in the living room finally lit up again.

Ye Wanwan sat on the sofa, carefully examining Yuan Xiao.

It had been many years, but the man didn't seem to look any different. His face was still as handsome as before without a sign of age.

Ye Wanwan still vaguely remember how Yuan Xiao confessed to her eight times back then and was heartlessly rejected by her all eight times.

When Ye Wanwan saw Yuan Xiao was about to say something, she promptly interrupted him. "Don't don't don't, you're a good person."

"Worriless Nie, what's wrong with you... How did you know what I was going to say?" Yuan Xiao demanded.

Ye Wanwan stared at Yuan Xiao. "I'm used to it."

Yuan Xiao: "..."

"Let me ask you first: Just who made you come here to kill me?" Ye Wanwan asked.

Yuan Xiao shook his head. "No one made me come here to kill you. They wanted me to kill the daughter of the Arbitration Council's president, Yi Yunmo."

Ye Wanwan's lips twitched. She resisted the desire to spit out a profanity. "Then... who asked you to come here to kill Yi Yunmo?"

"That I can't tell you. We must keep the client's information confidential... This is a fundamental principle or else how would I survive if other people found out?" Yuan Xiao replied.

Ye Wanwan narrowed her eyes and pulled out the Tang backsword underneath the table, her smile affable. "Oh... fundamental principle?"

Yuan Xiao declared solemnly, "I actually don't have many principles..."

Ye Wanwan roared, "Spit it out already!!!"

Yuan Xiao dug into his ear, his face satisfied. "Sigh, your looks might've worsened, but thankfully, your temper is still as likable as before!"

"....Are you do-M?" Ye Wanwan asked.

Why didn't she realize this fool was masochistic in the past...

Chapter 2364: A dry faggot on a blazing fire

"It's not that I don't want to tell you—it's that I can't tell you." Yuan Xiao considered it for a moment before saying, "You should know about my line of work. It's one thing if I don't finish the mission. If I reveal the employer's identity and information... that's too much. Even I wouldn't be able to look at myself."

Ye Wanwan's lip twitched. Was Yuan Xiao playing with her?

"Will you tell me or not?" Ye Wanwan glared at him.

"I also want to tell you, but I really can't tell you... There is one thing though. With your intelligence and wisdom, you can think about it yourself and analyze it a little. Who would gain the most if Yi Yunmo, the daughter of the Arbitration Council's president, died?" Yuan Xiao asked quietly, staring at Ye Wanwan.

Ye Wanwan frowned lightly when she heard that.

When Yi Lingjun announced her return in such a high-profile manner and informed everyone that his daughter would start working at the Arbitration Council, he was basically treating and training her as the heir of the Arbitration Council.

Forget about everything else, but the mere point of training her as the heir of the Arbitration Council would impact the interests of too many people. And the one who would lose the most would be Vice President Qin of the Arbitration Council.

If she hadn't appeared, then the position of the Arbitration Council's president would undoubtedly go to Vice President Qin after Yi Lingjun's term ended. However, everything changed following her appearance.

"So... You're insinuating it was Vice President Qin?" Ye Wanwan asked Yuan Xiao.

"Worriless Nie, I didn't say anything about Vice President Qin." Yuan Xiao shook his head. "Do you think Vice President Qin is stupid? Even if Vice President Qin had those intentions, he wouldn't be the one making a personal appearance. Forget about him; not a single person from the Qin family would appear. If a plot came to light, no one would be able to follow the trail to the Qin family. They've never lacked a scapegoat."

"So what you're saying is... Vice President Qin found a scapegoat and had the scapegoat meet with you and issued this mission. Whether this mission is accomplished or not, the Arbitration Council could merely track down the scapegoat no matter how much they investigated, and they wouldn't discover a single connection to Vice President Qin," Ye Wanwan said after a moment of thought.

"Haha, Worriless, you said it all yourself. I didn't say anything... Moreover, I didn't name Vice President Qin; I merely followed your path of thought and made some speculations. You yourself said there's a scapegoat, so I only know who the scapegoat is at most. How could I know the mastermind? You're better off thinking about it yourself."

Ye Wanwan hummed in thought. She was almost certain that the person who wanted her life was connected to the Qin family, and the scapegoat Yuan Xiao mentioned might very well be... Yin Heng...

After saying that, Yuan Xiao lit a cigarette and took a few puffs before turning to the contemplative Ye Wanwan. He clapped her on the shoulder and said, "Alright, it's a bunch of dry sticks on a blazing fire when a man and woman are alone. It's not good to stay in the same room together. I'll leave now or else your brother will fight with me for three days if he finds out. Contact me if you need anything else."

Ye Wanwan's lips twitched. "What freaking dry sticks on a blazing fire..."

He clearly wanted to kill her just a moment ago!

Ye Wanwan had just said that when footsteps were heard from the door. Then the door was opened and Si Yehan appeared in sight with Lin Que, who was staring at Yuan Xiao and her in stupefaction, behind him...

Chapter 2365: Whoever has a partner is a dog

Ye Wanwan: "..."

What... kind of sin... did I commit...?

Why did Si Yehan come over at this exact moment?! And no one notified me ahead of time?

Oh right, she remembered now. She previously told the housekeeper that if the visitor was Si Yehan, a notification wasn't necessary and they could allow him to enter directly. She seriously shot herself in the foot.

Ye Wanwan stood up at the brink of a breakdown. "Um... Ah-Jiu, why are you here..."

She simply wanted to die. What kind of terrible luck did she have? Why did her baby run into this kind of scene every single time?

This was simply heinous!

When Si Yehan saw the man in the room, only surprise appeared on his face. He didn't say anything and coolly looked at Yuan Xiao next to her.

In the back, Lin Que quietly mumbled, "A man and a woman together in a room alone... What's going on..."

Ye Wanwan instantly bristled. "A man and a woman together in a room alone your a**! This guy is an assassin! He came here to kill me tonight!"

Lin Que's expression was difficult to describe. "Ninth Sister, I think you can find a better excuse with slightly more intelligence..."

"That's the truth, alright?! Baby, you must believe me, right?!" Ye Wanwan pitifully turned to Si Yehan.

"I believe you," Si Yehan replied.

Ye Wanwan relaxed. Lin Que looked incredulous though, and even Yuan Xiao appeared astonished. "He believes that?"

Lin Que couldn't help but say, "Are you dumb, Ninth Brother? You'd even believe that? If this guy is an assassin, why isn't he killing her?!"

"..." Although Ye Wanwan really wanted to punch Lin Que, she couldn't refute this in any manner.

At this moment, Yuan Xiao walked forward with a grin. As he surveyed Si Yehan imperceptibly, he languidly said, "Ay, she actually isn't lying to you. I really am an assassin, but it's coincidental now that you mention it. After I accepted the mission and came here, I realized the target of my mission was my old lover! So of course I couldn't go through with it!"

Ye Wanwan: "..."

Si Yehan: "..."

Lin Que was dumbstruck. "Old lover ...?"

Ye Wanwan was nearly angered to death. "Shut up! Are we close friends? It was clearly you who had one-sided impure motives toward me, alright?"

Yuan Xiao shook his head with a sigh. "Since ancient times, love has lead to sad endings. They only hear a newcomer's laugh, but no one hears the old cry. Little Worriless, you've disappointed me too much!

How could you like someone like him? I can tell he's cold and boring and uninteresting with a look and he can't party with you! What happened to the promise of roaming the world with me, huh?"

Ye Wanwan glared at him. "Party your a**. I like to stay at home and not go anywhere."

Yuan Xiao looked accusatory. "Fine fine fine, party my a**. But what about the promised 'us friends walk through life together and whoever has a partner is a dog'?"

Ye Wanwan: "Woof! Woof woof woof!"

I'm willing to be a dog! What about it, huh?!

Yuan Xiao: "...Fine, you win!"

Lin Que was also stunned by Ye Wanwan's shamelessness. "..."

Si Yehan's gaze sharpened. "What happened?"

This was Yi Lingjun's territory, so how could there be an assassin?

"Baby, sit down, sit down. I'll carefully explain it to you!" Ye Wanwan gently looked at Si Yehan before turning around and sending Yuan Xiao a warning look.

Yuan Xiao's face filled with grief and indignation, as though he was looking at a piece of scum. "Worriless Nie, I didn't expect you to be the kind of person who puts their hoes before bros! I misjudged you before!"

Ye Wanwan glanced at him from the corner of her eyes. "When haven't I?"

"Fine fine fine, I can only blame myself for being young and unable to differentiate a person from a dog!" Yuan Xiao choked with anger and opened the window, disappearing with a leap.

Chapter 2366: Come here to keep you company every day

D*mn it! Why was this b*stard's line so freaking strange? He made it sound like she was a scummy jackass...

Ye Wanwan reflexively looked outside the window. There was no trace of a person.

She had to say though—Yuan Xiao seriously came and went without a trace. Yi Lingjun had arranged many guards and scouts in the surroundings, but Yuan Xiao still managed to saunter inside brazenly.

Ye Wanwan originally wondered if Vice President Qin's people were mixed in with those guards and scouts, so they pretended they didn't see Yuan Xiao when they saw him. However, on second thought, she found that pretty improbable. These people were all personally chosen by Yi Lingjun, so they couldn't possibly share any connections with Vice President Qin.

After Yuan Xiao left, Ye Wanwan immediately plastered herself to Si Yehan. "Hehe, baby, I'm good, right? I plucked all the rotten peach blossoms myself!"

At that moment, all the coldness in Si Yehan's eyes had transformed into warmth and disapproval filled his gaze. "Don't talk about yourself like that again."

Ye Wanwan immediately replied, "It's nothing! It's good as long as you're happy!"

Lin Que feebly grumbled, "I actually think she was telling the truth. It's you who has mistaken knowledge of Ninth Sister, right Ninth Brother..."

Si Yehan aloofly glanced at Lin Que and Lin Que immediately sealed his mouth.?*Fine fine fine, your wife is the best. Your wife is the purest and most flawless person!* Your wife is the kindest little angel in the world!

After sitting down, Ye Wanwan started explaining to Si Yehan. "Someone sent an assassin to assassinate me tonight, but that assassin picked up a call and it was actually my brother calling. Then I discovered this assassin was someone I knew; he's my brother's best friend named Yuan Xiao..."

Lin Que was shocked. "Someone sent an assassin to assassinate you? But you're Yi Yunmo right now?! Who has the guts?"

Ye Wanwan replied, "Well, Yuan Xiao didn't tell me that. They have rules and can't reveal their client's information. However, based on the information he provided, I can basically guess who it was."

"Qin Zong..." Si Yehan said a name point-blank. "However, he wouldn't appear personally, so the most probable person to do this for him would be Yin Heng."

Admiration immediately filled Ye Wanwan's face. "You're seriously too clever, baby! I didn't tell you anything yet, but you've guessed everything already!"

Seeing the worry on Si Yehan's face, Ye Wanwan quickly comforted him: "Don't worry, baby, aren't I fine? In truth, Vice President Qin isn't a major problem since I still have Yi Lingjun holding the fort at least. Anyway, my identity is also fake, so I can find an appropriate opportunity to extract myself at any time and won't be in any danger..."

Her true worry was still Yin Yuerong.

After her previous attempt to expose her failed, Yin Yuerong hadn't acted. Ye Wanwan had a feeling that Yin Yuerong wouldn't leave the matter at that though.

Si Yehan also knew Ye Wanwan was right, but he couldn't take any risks.

"Starting tonight, I will come here to keep you company," Si Yehan announced.

Ye Wanwan was startled briefly before her eyes started glowing and she bobbed her head eagerly. "Really? Sure sure!"

She never expected to have gained something from a misfortune.

However... If Si Yehan came here to keep her company, she must make things clear with the housekeeper and couldn't allow a second Xu Yang.

"Don't worry about Third Elder. They've released him," Si Yehan said.

"That's good ... "

It appeared Yin Yuerong had released Third Elder since Third Elder had lost all value, combined with pressure from Si Yehan.

Chapter 2367: Especially thick thigh

"Oh right, have your meetings gone smoothly recently?" Ye Wanwan asked.

Si Yehan replied, "With President Yi's support, they've been fairly smooth now."

Moreover, Ye Wanwan had been showcasing high-profile public displays of affection as Yi Yunmo on her end, winning a lot of support for Si Yehan.

Ye Wanwan hummed. "From what I know, even with Yi Lingjun's support, such a large reformation won't be passed so easily, right? I remember the Arbitration Council has a rule that the amendment of major bills requires the unanimous approval of every member."

"Yes," Si Yehan replied.

Ye Wanwan: "..."

So even if they won over everyone, how would they overcome the barrier of Yin Yuerong?

Based on Yin Yuerong's personality, she absolutely wouldn't approve the passing of the proposed law, right?

Ye Wanwan felt more convicted of this after learning about Yin Yuerong's history with Si Huaizhang.

Back then, Si Huaizhang eloped with a woman outside of the Independent State, so how could Yin Yuerong agree to lift the restrictions on marriage?

"Don't worry." A dark glint flitted across Si Yehan's eyes. "Everyone has their weakness, and she's no exception."

However, until it reached that point, he didn't want to employ that method. After all, he managed to crawl out of the mud pit with great difficulty; he didn't want to become someone just like her.

As they spoke, Ye Wanwan's phone started ringing. It was Nameless Nie calling.

Ye Wanwan answered the call immediately. "Hey, Brother?"

"Worriless, where's that guy, Yuan Xiao? Did he leave?" Nameless Nie inquired immediately.

Ye Wanwan nodded. "Mhm, he left already."

"Be careful when you're alone at home," Nameless Nie reminded her.

Ye Wanwan grinned. "It's fine, Ah-Jiu's here!"

Upon hearing that, Nameless Nie released a sigh of relief. "Oh, brother-in-law is there! That's good. I feel at ease then!"

"..." He seriously felt reassured by Si Yehan...

After a moment of silence, Nameless Nie lowered his voice and said, "Worriless, Brother knows you and brother-in-law have given a lot of care to the bill and also knows how difficult this matter is. You don't need to force yourself. If it was an easy matter, the dispute wouldn't have persisted until now... If worse comes to worst, I'll take Ling Miao and leave the Independent State!"

Nameless Nie had changed greatly. All the ruthlessness around him had dissipated.

The moment he resisted against the whole world and she stood on his side without any second thought, he felt redeemed.

Moreover, Ling Miao didn't die and gave him hope again, finally untying the knot in his heart.

Ye Wanwan gently said, "Brother, things haven't reached that point yet, so we have a lot of hope. I latched onto an especially thick thigh, eh, no wait, strictly speaking, it was that thigh who insisted on following me and making me latch onto it..."

Nameless Nie was baffled. "Especially thick thigh? Who?"

"My dad... Yi Lingjun..."

Nameless Nie: "...???"

Nameless Nie hastily pressed. "Oh right, I haven't asked you yet: How did you sneak into the Yi Clan? When did Yi Lingjun go blind? How could he not recognize his own daughter?"

Ye Wanwan replied, "What if I said it was Yi Lingjun who forced me to be his daughter?"

Nameless Nie increased his volume and shouted, "Brother-In-Law, Brother-In-Law, are you there? I think you need to be concerned about my sister's psychological state!"

Ye Wanwan pulled the phone farther from Si Yehan. "Shoo! My psychological state is perfectly fine!"

Ye Wanwan irritatedly explained the situation to Nameless Nie and reassured him. This way, he could help cover for her, or else their parents would definitely explode if they found out she secretly came to Tianshui City in search of Si Yehan...

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The next morning.

The sky brightened and soon, it was time for another day of meetings.

Si Yehan had never arrived late to a single meeting, but at this moment, as he watched the girl in his arms snuggling close to him like a kitten, he had no desire to shift a centimeter.

Until knocking was heard on the door and a housekeeper entered with a trap in hand.

"Eldest Miss..." Before the housekeeper could finish speaking, her gaze landed on the bed and discovered a man in their eldest miss's bed!

Crash!!! In her shock, the housekeeper shattered the tray she was holding.

"Housekeeper Wu? What is it?" Yi Lingjun's nervous voice trailed from behind.

Yi Lingjun hastily sprinted inside, his gaze locked on the two people on the bed, his mind dumbstruck...

Chapter 2368: Did you think I was vegetarian?

"President... um..." After a moment of feeling flabbergasted, the housekeeper recognized the man in the bed and became more stunned.

Wasn't this Director Si?

Wasn't Eldest Miss too astounding? She originally thought Eldest Miss was merely expressing affection for Director Si, but it had only been a few days yet Eldest Miss had already drawn him to her bed!

Moreover, didn't Director Si have a fiancée...?

"Mmm... so noisy..."

Seeing Ye Wanwan awoken by the noise, Si Yehan frowned and comfortingly patted her on the head. "It's nothing, keep sleeping."

"Mn..." The gentle voice lured Ye Wanwan back to dreamland.

Si Yehan rose with extremely gentle motions before looking at Yi Lingjun and requesting him to move elsewhere to talk.

"President, if you please."

Yi Lingjun looked at Ye Wanwan's careless behavior and angrily glared at her before dismissing the housekeeper and walking to the living room with Si Yehan.

Si Yehan and Yi Lingjun were the only people in the living room.

"Director Si, shouldn't you give me an explanation for today?" Yi Lingjun's expression was menacing.

"It's my fault." Si Yehan didn't attempt to defend himself and admitted his error directly.

This attitude made Yi Lingjun unable to unleash even a tinge of his wrath.

"I would like to hear where your fault lies," Yi Lingjun sternly demanded, resembling a father-in-law testing his son-in-law, his position stauncher than Ye Wanwan's real dad, Nie Huaili.

Si Yehan replied, "I should've considered the impact on Wanwan."

Yi Lingjun harrumphed. "You still remember the impacts? Even if you're in a relationship with my girl, you still haven't married yet. What proper behavior is it to spend the night together?"

"You're extremely right, President," Si Yehan agreed.

Anyhow, Si Yehan seriously listened to everything Yi Lingjun said and neither justified himself nor answered back. He even admitted his wrong of his own volition, and with a few words, he managed to dissolve over half of Yi Lingjun's anger.

Yi Lingjun nodded in satisfaction. "As long as you're aware. You're fine, but you still have to pay attention to a girl's reputation..."

As Yi Lingjun carried out his duty as a father and seriously lectured his future son-in-law, footsteps were heard from upstairs.

"Baby..." The sight of Ye Wanwan hazily pattering downstairs was spotted promptly after.

Although Ye Wanwan couldn't even open her eyes, she still accurately sensed Si Yehan's location and walked toward him.

Si Yehan's voice softened instantly. "You're awake."

After Ye Wanwan stopped behind the sofa, Si Yehan turned his head and Ye Wanwan naturally bent down and smacked a kiss on his cheeks before complaining, "You promised you would sleep with me. How could you run off halfway?"

Yes... She completely ignored the second person sitting on the sofa across from Si Yehan...

Si Yehan said, "Wanwan, we aren't married yet, after all, so it'd be more appropriate if we slept in separate rooms."

Disbelief filled Ye Wanwan's face instantly. "What did you say? Sleep in separate rooms? You've known me for so long; did you think I was vegetarian?"

Si Yehan: "..."

Yi Lingjun: "..."

Yi Lingjun was righteously lecturing his son-in-law seconds ago, but his face turned pure black when he heard his daughter.

Si Yehan exasperatedly pushed away the girl plastered to him before pulling her down to sit next to him. "President Yi's here."

Only then did Ye Wanwan turn to the spot across from them. "Eh, Dad, why are you here?!"

Yi Lingjun: "..." Haha, you finally discovered you still had a dad here!

Chapter 2369: Have to hug the thigh to the max

Upon seeing Yi Lingjun's attitude and expression, Ye Wanwan immediately walked up with a smile and latched onto Yi Lingjun's arm. "Dad, I heard you've helped Ah-Jiu a lot with amending and reevaluating the rules."

Yi Lingjun pursed his lips. "Eh, not bad. You know about that."

"Of course! Ah-Jiu's immensely grateful for all of your help and he tells me about it all day long. He said we must fulfill our filial duties well toward you in the future." Ye Wanwan was grinning.

Yi Lingjun peered at Si Yehan from the corner of his eyes. "This lad has a rather decent conscience."

After receiving a reminder gaze from his wife, Si Yehan didn't respond and chose to agree tacitly.

"President, there's still a matter I need to report to you," Si Yehan said.

Yi Lingjun saw Si Yehan's serious expression and also looked at him solemnly. "What is it?"

Si Yehan briefly explained last night's incident to Yi Lingjun, who fell into contemplation afterward.

Yi Lingjun had known that someone wanted to assassinate Ye Wanwan several days ago, so he gave her a "treasure" that would suffice as self-protection. He didn't expect Ye Wanwan to actually know her assassin and manage to weasel some information out of him.

According to Si Yehan's conjecture, the mastermind was Vice President Qin while the one who made the request was the Yin family's adopted son, Yin Heng.

If they used common sense to make this speculation, it appeared to be the case.

However, what the Arbitration Council needed wasn't speculation; they needed evidence.

Forget about the fact that everything was speculation. Even if they had an assassin testifying personally, it wouldn't be realistic to knock down the vice president of the Arbitration Council.

And this evidence had to be solid, actual evidence. The Arbitration Council absolutely wouldn't convict a person solely based on an assassin's one-sided testimony.

"There's no need for you to continue investigating and focus on the true mastermind," Yi Lingjun said to Ye Wanwan and Si Yehan a moment later.

Ye Wanwan was startled, incomprehension written all over her face. "Dad! How could we not investigate or focus on this matter?! The one they want to assassinate is your precious daughter, the President of the Arbitration Council's precious daughter! They aren't targeting Yi Yunmo; they're targeting you... How can you tolerate this?"

How could she relinquish her hold on her thick thigh? Ye Wanwan was determined to hug the thigh to the max.

Yi Lingjun glanced at Ye Wanwan. How could he not understand this girl's thoughts? "Do you think everyone else is as foolish as you? Since someone dared to hire an assassin to assassinate my daughter, regardless of whether they succeeded or not, they wouldn't fear an investigation from the Arbitration Council and must've thought of a foolproof plan."

"If it's really as you two think and it's Vice President Qin pulling the strings from behind, then there's even less reason to waste our time. Qin Zong won't permit you to discover anything. Forget about you two, but even I might not find anything."

Si Yehan didn't say anything and pondered for a moment.

In truth, Yi Lingjun's words were very correct.

The only opening in this matter was that assassin. However, even if the assassin was willing to violate his principles and step forward to testify against Vice President Qin and Yin Heng, where was the evidence?

Who could guarantee it wasn't Yi Lingjun intentionally hiring an assassin to wrongly accuse Vice President Qin to pave the road for his daughter, Yi Yunmo, and eradicate this barrier that prevented Yi Yunmo from advancing to the position of the Arbitration Council's president?

Pull one hair and the whole body moves. Unless they had absolute evidence, they would only be handing their leverage to the other person for them to bite back.

Chapter 2370: Dad, this daughter was wrong!

"Dad, if it's as you say, oh... so there was an assassination attempt on me for nothing? Isn't being the daughter of the Arbitration Council's president too tragic? Anyone who wants to kill me can take a stab at it and we can't convict them. What kind of justice is this?" Ye Wanwan frowned deeply.

Yi Lingjun grimly considered it for a moment and actually nodded a second later. "From the current looks of it, it appears that way."

Ye Wanwan: "..."

She didn't want to be his daughter anymore...

Ye Wanwan jubilantly suggested, "President Yi, how about we pick a lucky day and break off our relationship as father and daughter?"

Yi Lingjun's expression darkened instantly. "D*mn girl, I dare you to repeat that again?!"

"I will! I'm telling the truth anyway..."

Si Yehan exasperatedly reached out and patted the girl on the head. "Wanwan, don't act so impolitely towards the President."

Upon sensing the warmth on her head, Ye Wanwan immediately behaved docilely like a rabbit. "Dad, this daughter was wrong!"

Yi Lingjun: "..."?Haha.?

"Sir President, since it's like this, we can investigate things on the side." Si Yehan proceeded to talk business.

Yi Lingjun glared at Ye Wanwan before saying, "Mm, that's feasible."

"If it's truly Vice President Qin controlling everything from behind the scenes, there must be two reasons why he wants to eliminate the president's daughter in such haste. First, Yi Yunmo impeded his advancement to becoming the president. Second, Vice President Qin probably conducted shady dealings these past few years, and Yi Yunmo would adhere to the custom of completely investigating the Arbitration Council after becoming the president, and there's a great probability that Vice President Qin's shady dealings would be discovered." Si Yehan provided his analysis.

"Mn, you're right. From what I know, Qin Zong has been involved in some dirty affairs. I didn't pay much heed before, but now, I will thoroughly investigate it." Yi Lingjun smiled faintly.

Several days later, at the Yin Estate:

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Yin Heng's expression was foreboding. He never expected Lord Yuan's assassination to end up in failure. Furthermore, Lord Yuan returned his down payment and gave up on this mission.

Considering Fengsha and Lord Yuan's strength, forget about assassinating merely Yi Yunmo, but he should've succeeded even if his missions was to assassinate any higher-up of the Arbitration Council aside from Yi Lingjun... So why did he fail this time?!

Yin Heng didn't have time to delve into that train of thought deeply. The failure of this assassination attempt was a rather large risk for him.

Although the Arbitration Council didn't possess any evidence, this matter was laid out on the table, and the President's mind must be as clear as a mirror that Vice President Qin was certainly connected to this incident. However, Vice President Qin wouldn't seek out an assassin himself while he, a member of the Yin family, would be the most appropriate person to complete the task...

"Ah-Zhong, was what you said before true? Do Yi Yunmo and Worriless Nie really look identical?" Yin Heng questioned the man next to him.

"That's right. There aren't any mistakes. Madam has always held her suspicions, but she merely didn't succeed in her tests. I really can't figure out how such a coincidental matter could happen in the world—for two people to look identical who aren't twins," Ah-Zhong quietly replied.

"Then is it possible that Yi Yunmo and Worriless Nie are real sisters... or perhaps Worriless Nie once had some secret relationship with President Yi...?" Yin Heng said with a frown.

"Eh... Young Master, that's impossible, right? Even if Worriless Nie's mother betrayed her father and had an affair with the President, Worriless Nie and Yi Yunmo would share a mother at most and wouldn't come from the same father, so how could they look identical..." Ah-Zhong answered.