

## Work Hard 901

### Chapter 901: All The Tramps Should Step Side

In this world, no other man knew how to keep his distance from a woman as well as Mo Ting.

Even after so many scenes with Cate, he never looked her straight in the eyes. So, no matter what Cate did, she did not even receive a single interested glance her way.

Apart from Tangning, he had no other desires.

So, Tangning did not need to worry that a typical scandalous scene from a drama would happen to her in real life.

Especially since she was pregnant.

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Lin Qian realized she was being a bit ridiculous, so she added, "Mo Ting has always been the same Mo Ting. He would never do anything to betray you."

Tangning smiled without responding.

Meanwhile, as a result of their conversation, Lin Qian began to think about Li Jin who was currently on a mission. As they spent more time apart than together, she started to wonder if their relationship would really last.

Tangning noticed Lin Qian's uncertainty, but she did not ask her about it. Instead, she offered, "If you have any difficulties, you can speak to me."

Lin Qian nodded her head, packed her things and went home to Xing Lan's apartment.

However, she was well aware that Xing Lan now belonged to Hai Rui and she knew that living with Xing Lan in the long term wasn't feasible because she'd be a hindrance to them. So, after careful thought, Lin Qian decided to find her own place. Of course, at this time, she did not consider moving in with Li Jin.

She had gotten used to living on her own and did not want to suddenly rely on a man. Plus, she wanted things to remain as they were.

However, at this time, Lin Qian did not expect that she'd receive an unexpected guest. The guest was a woman; to be exact, she was a female army officer. As she wore the same uniform as Li Jin, Lin Qian could roughly guess her identity and her reason for showing up.

"Hello, I am Han Xiao."

"Although I don't know who you are, don't you think it's a bit rude to dig through my private information and find your way here?" Lin Qian asked.

"I'm sorry, I didn't dig through your information. The only reason why I know where you live is because Li Jin told me," Han Xiao replied politely. "I didn't come today to break the two of you apart or anything

along those lines, please don't misunderstand me. As his godsister, I simply wanted to see what kind of a girlfriend my brother has found. That's not asking too much, right?"

"Godsister?" Lin Qian furrowed her brows.

"It seems, he hasn't told you," Han Xiao laughed. "But, it's fine. He must have been afraid that you'd misunderstand, even though it would have been better to be honest. The two of us have fought side-by-side for many years and have even saved each other's lives."

"Even though you're his godsister, I still don't understand why you are here."

"I simply came to tell you of my existence. I hope you don't mind. You need to know that life in the military is beyond one's control. We are going to continue working together and be in contact with each other. I don't want him to drag me over to explain anything to you later on."

"Then I need to thank Miss Han for specifically making this trip," Lin Qian replied confidently. Although the woman was tall and intimidating, Lin Qian did not feel overshadowed by her.

"I'm not going to nag you about other things, but I need to remind you that Li Jin is in the military and you are in the entertainment industry. I hope you can take note of your image and not make things difficult for him."

Lin Qian suddenly wondered who was actually Li Jin's girlfriend.

This so-called godsister was certainly hard to bear.

After all, Lin Qian did not feel like she was in any way an embarrassment to Li Jin.

But, Han Xiao's approach reminded her of the way that Mother Quan previously insulted her. Back then, she let Mother Quan bully her because she was still young and stupid. But, she was no longer the same young girl who didn't know how to protect herself.

"This is all I have to say. I hope Miss Lin knows what to do."

Lin Qian was angry and annoyed, but she did not let it get to her head.

Firstly, although she hadn't known Li Jin for long, she knew he would never cheat on her because he was very decisive in this aspect.

Secondly, she believed that Han Xiao was a comrade of Li Jin's, but she did not believe that she was his godsister.

Thirdly, before Li Jin personally admitted to anything, she wasn't going to give him a death sentence, even though she was boiling up inside.

After returning home, Lin Qian was in no rush to contact Li Jin, but her anger remained plastered to her face. It wasn't like she was selling herself, she was a pure and innocent young woman, but for some reason, she always came across disgusting, arrogant people.

Later that night, Xing Lan returned home to Lin Qian's sour expression, "Did Li Jin bully you?"

Lin Qian shook her head.

“That means yes. Tell me what happened.”

Unable to withstand Xing Lan’s persistence, Lin Qian ended up venting about the entire incident with Li Jin’s godsister. In response, Xing Lan laughed, “Lin Qian, oh Lin Qian, you had this coming for you. Do you know how cute you look when you’re jealous?”

“Must you make fun of me at a time like this?”

Seeing that Lin Qian was seriously angered, Xing Lan quickly comforted her, “OK, that’s enough. Don’t be angry. As long as you don’t believe it, this entire matter will eventually clarify itself.”

“Pfft.” After giving her response, Lin Qian returned to her room, tidied up a little and slept until the next morning.

But, Xing Lan ended up making a phone call to Mother Li.

“Auntie, a woman claiming to be Jin’s godsister came looking for Lin Qian today and really upset her. At this rate, you’re going to lose your daughter-in-law soon...”

After hearing the whole story from Xing Lan, Mother Li was furious.

“How did Li Jin meet a dirty woman that would go directly to look for Qian Qian?”

“She claimed to be a comrade? What kind of comrade ruins other’s relationships? Old man, hurry and give the rascal a phone call. Ask him what’s going on and tell him to explain himself. Otherwise, tell him to get lost and never appear in front of me again! This is so frustrating!”

“Maybe you misunderstood your son.”

“What do you mean misunderstood? He let another woman approach his girlfriend without him knowing. Is there a man as stupid as him? He’s going to end up losing his girlfriend at this rate,” Mother Li groaned. “Why didn’t he inherit any of my EQ? Qian Qian is such a lovely girl. She may appear cold on the surface, but when something serious happens, she’s the only that would go to the military base and wait a few days and nights for our son.”

“All the tramps should step aside.”

Father Li was left with no choice but to contact his son. But, Li Jin was in the middle of a meeting and his subordinates and Han Xiao were by his side.

“Dad...”

“Your mother has something to say to you,” Father Li didn’t want to do the talking, so he left the matter with Mother Li.

So, Li Jin ended up discussing Han Xiao on the phone with Mother Li right in front of her.

“Is this how you show Qian Qian that you like her? By allowing a love rival to show up at her doorstep?”

**Chapter 902: I Can’t Be Bothered Talking To Another Female**

"If I was Qian Qian, I would completely ignore you from now on. What rubbish."

"You better clean up your mess as soon as possible. If you don't, I'm going to claim Qian Qian as my daughter and kick you out of the family."

"..."

Was this something that a mother would say?

Others would probably question the scene that was playing out in front of them, but Li Jin simply smiled to himself in secret. This was because his mother had developed a particular liking towards Lin Qian. It seemed, this would make up for the pain and trauma that Lin Qian had experienced growing up.

Afterwards, Li Jin put down the phone in his hand. Of course, the meeting wasn't anything serious. Otherwise, he couldn't have possibly talked on the phone.

But, after his phone call, his gaze turned a lot colder.

"Major General, what's wrong?"

"Nothing. Continue," Li Jin instructed. After quite some time, the meeting ended and everyone began to leave.

But, as he watched Han Xiao leave, Li Jin couldn't help but ask the subordinate beside him, "What's your opinion of Han Xiao?"

"She's a good girl," the subordinate replied. "Major General, Han Xiao has been reporting to this base for many years. Her personality is clear to see."

"Not necessarily, some people are good at hiding their true selves," Li Jin said with a deeper meaning. He then lifted his head and asked another question, "If a woman that has a crush on you, goes to look for your girlfriend behind your back and deliberately says things to cause a misunderstanding, what are your thoughts regarding that?"

"I hate women that play tricks. I may not hit a woman, but I would definitely stay away from someone like that," the subordinate replied swiftly. But, a moment later, he quickly realized that the woman they were talking about was Han Xiao, "It couldn't be..."

Li Jin looked at the man with deep meaning, but he did not say a word.

"Oh God, I never thought that she'd be like that," the subordinate felt chills down his spine.

Not only was Han Xiao's method quite sinister, for a woman to do something like that, meant that they were extremely shrewd.

"Did Han Xiao go to look for sister-in-law? Does that mean sister-in-law has a misunderstanding? Major General, why are you still sitting here? Go and explain yourself!"

Li Jin did not move from his seat. Instead, he said to his subordinate, "I have a mission for you tomorrow."

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At this time, Mo Ting was still on set. After completing his shoots, he generally drove straight home without any intention to stick around.

But, Cate was injured that night because she hit her knee cap during a fight scene that they shared.

As long as Mo Ting was a man, Cate expected him to at least show some concern. But, Cate was, of course, disappointed.

Because Mo Ting ended up telling Qiao Sen to call for the medical team. He wasn't about to let anyone stop him from going home.

"Don't you know how to be a gentleman? I got hurt because of you. Don't you feel guilty at all?"

"I don't think you got hurt because of me. I think you got hurt because you were trying to attract my attention," Mo Ting replied in front of everyone. "You asked for it."

"Cate, I suggest you stop wasting your time on me. I'm finding it harder and harder to tolerate you. If you still want to continue shooting 'The Ant Queen', you should focus your mind on the film. Otherwise, I will directly send you home."

"Also, please don't do something stupid like this again. You're delaying me from going home."

Mo Ting's words were so direct that they completely exposed Cate's hidden motive.

Because Cate's position in the cast wasn't set in stone yet, even Qiao Sen couldn't contain his anger. So, he knelt down and said to her, "If you're just here to act, I think I could tolerate you for a few days, but..."

"...if you've got other motives, you can leave right now."

"You don't seem to understand who President Mo is. He's not just an actor, he's the CEO of a huge multinational corporation. He has control over the life and death of multiple artists. If he wanted to, he could make it so you can't survive anywhere in this world."

"So, if you can resist provoking him, then please avoid it."

Cate had never been threatened like this before, so she naturally felt a little scared.

But, Qiao Sen didn't need to mention Mo Ting's identity. Because now that he did, Cate wanted to pursue Mo Ting even more. After all, she enjoyed the excitement of a challenge.

But, her methods from now on weren't going to be so stupid.

Mo Ting didn't care if the bimbo understood his words or not, at least he had already given his warning. If Cate dared to cross his bottom line again, he was going to send her packing all the way back to France.

After returning home, Mo Ting transformed back into a father and husband. As soon as he saw Mo Zichen jumping around in Tangning's arms, he immediately carried him away.

"You have a child in your stomach. Don't you know how to be careful?"

"It's fine as long as he doesn't step on my stomach," Tangning smiled. "From your expression, I can tell that Cate has created some problems for you today."

Mo Ting did not say a word, but Tangning already knew the answer.

“Do you really hate dealing with women that badly?”

“Apart from you, I can’t be bothered talking to another female. It’s a waste of my energy,” Mo Ting replied.

“What about our daughter?”

Mo Ting placed the two kids on the floor and let them move freely while Tangning lay on his lap, “I will need to teach her how to select her friends as soon as she is born.”

“You’re so exaggerated,” Tangning laughed while she imagined Mo Ting being a strict father.

The thought of this cold man hugging a squishy little girl was so contrasting that it was bound to make people squeal.

If one was to ask what ultimate love was, then Mo Ting would be the perfect example. Apart from his wife, he couldn’t be bothered with other people because it was a waste of his energy.

Of course, this was his attitude towards love.

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The next morning, after spending an entire night in anger, Lin Qian stepped out of Xing Lan’s apartment to find that there was a military vehicle waiting for her downstairs. And of course, there was a young man leaning against it.

As soon as he saw Lin Qian, he immediately saluted her, “Sister-in-law, good morning.”

“You...”

“The Major General told me to come pick you up,” the young soldier replied with a chuckle.

Lin Qian didn’t know what Li Jin had planned. Initially, she was going to reject the offer, but, she knew that Li Jin wasn’t in the wrong, so there was no reason for her to avoid him.

As a result, Lin Qian naturally boarded the vehicle and they quickly arrived at the military base.

“Don’t the rules say that outsiders aren’t allowed in?” As soon as Lin Qian saw the entrance, she was reminded of the day and night that she spent standing outside.

“Sister-in-law, I must apologize for what happened previously, but you are indeed not allowed in the base. However, the training grounds are OK,” the young soldier quickly explained. “Follow me, the Major General is waiting.”

Lin Qian was a little annoyed and angry.

Did he perhaps bring her here to meet his godsister?

**Chapter 903: Don’t Blame Me For Not Being Sentimental**

Lin Qian stepped into the training grounds without much optimism. After all, she did not know Li Jin well. She did not know how the usual Li Jin was like and how different he was when he was working, nor did she know who his friends were – she knew nothing.

She couldn't be like Tangning. When Tangning made a decision, she accepted whatever consequences came her way, good or bad because she wasn't afraid of anything.

But, Lin Qian was different. She was scared. When she didn't think something over properly or there was too much of a risk, she would immediately retreat.

It's not that she wasn't willing to fight for something. But, being afraid was her natural reaction.

Soon, Lin Qian and the soldier arrived at the training grounds. But, Lin Qian didn't see any soldiers training, she simply saw Li Jin and a few of his comrades. This included his supposed godsister, Han Xiao.

Actually, Han Xiao was also surprised. She never expected Li Jin to bring Lin Qian to the training grounds to meet his closest comrades.

Were his feeling for her actually real?

"Qian Qian..." Li Jin called naturally. As Lin Qian approached, he pulled her into his arms and said to his comrades, "Qian Qian was unconscious last time, so I didn't get to introduce her properly. This is my girlfriend Lin Qian. We should be getting settled down very soon."

This was the first time that Li Jin admitted to having a girlfriend. Even Han Xiao, who had stuck around him for so long didn't receive this kind of treatment. From the looks of it, Li Jin had truly fallen in love.

The comrades looked at Lin Qian and then glanced at Han Xiao. They then exclaimed, "You rascal. So you had a girlfriend all along. Why didn't you tell us earlier?"

"We only met not long ago."

Lin Qian could tell that the comrades were a little awkward. It was probably because Han Xiao was around.

At this time, Han Xiao tried to make an excuse to leave, "I still have some training to do, so I won't be sticking around."

"Wait." To everyone's surprise, Lin Qian suddenly spoke up.

Han Xiao assumed that Lin Qian wasn't the type of person to expose a small quarrel between women to the men. But, Lin Qian was exactly this kind of person.

"Since Li Jin and Miss Han are both here, I would like to discuss some matters. Li Jin, let me ask you, is Miss Han your godsister?" Lin Qian asked as she stared at Han Xiao.

"No," Li Jin replied straightforwardly.

"But Miss Han came looking for me last night, claiming that she was checking me out on behalf of her godbrother. She also told me to get used to her existence because she is a comrade of yours and the two of you often work together, so I shouldn't get jealous. Lastly, she even told me to watch my image

because you are in the military,” Lin Qian recalled Han Xiao’s words from the previous night in front of everyone.

“Since, the timing seems to be right, I would like to give Miss Han a response. Firstly, you’re overstepping your boundaries. I don’t care if you’re Li Jin’s godsister, even if you were his actual sister, you have no right to approach his girlfriend and order her around.”

“Secondly, I honestly do mind your existence because no woman could stand having such a calculative woman by her man’s side. It’s much too dangerous.”

“Thirdly, I admit that people in the military are amazing because they are protecting the security of our country, but that doesn’t give you reason to look down on me. I do my job well and I contribute to society in my own way. I am not any less significant than you.”

“I can’t stand your arrogance, so I want to make things clear to you right now.”

“Don’t think that you can see through a woman’s heart with a few days of training.”

“In terms of career, I admit that you are stronger than I am, but when it comes to love, I hope you can be honest.”

“I am happy to put up a fair fight.”

After hearing Lin Qian’s words, everyone froze.

No one expected that this weak-looking woman had so much fighting power. In fact, she ended up leaving Han Xiao with no pride and embarrassing her in front of all her comrades.

But, even though Lin Qian’s words were extremely direct, she wasn’t done yet.

Because, at this moment, she turned around to face Li Jin and began to scold him as well, “If you have any godsisters or internet sweethearts, then I don’t think things will work out between us. I’m not one to endure things for the sake of a relationship. I hate seeing my man having unclear relationships with another woman and being expected to cover up for him.”

“Qian Qian, are you saying all this because you’re jealous?” Li Jin didn’t mind her temper. Instead, he felt that she was extremely cute when she was angry.

Lin Qian glared at him without a response. Afterwards, Li Jin said, “Han Xiao and I are merely comrades. Whether in the past, present or future, this will remain the same.”

“Plus, I don’t have any godsisters nor online sweethearts. I simply have a jealous girlfriend.”

Han Xiao looked at the affectionate couple as her red face turned pale. At this moment, all she felt was humiliation. She never expected Lin Qian to be so straightforward.

“Major General, I don’t think it’s necessary to hurt the people around you because of your relationship. Even if Han Xiao did something nasty, you should still consider her pride. After all, she has stuck by your side for so many years. Even if there was no love between you and she was merely a comrade, you shouldn’t force her into a dead end like this. Han Xiao, I’ll escort you back to the base,” one of Li Jin’s comrades said to the couple as he began to walk Han Xiao out.



But, after hearing this, Lin Qian couldn't help but say to the two, "Since you admit that she's done something nasty, what makes you think that she is the only one that's hurt?"

The man turned around and glared at Lin Qian. It seemed, he didn't have a very good impression of her. But, Li Jin stepped forward at this time and said, "I didn't say you could leave."

Han Xiao and the man stopped in their tracks, too afraid to take another step.

"I called you all here to see Qian Qian and I've already declared that she is my girlfriend."

"You are welcome to dislike her or disrespect her, but keep those thoughts to yourself. If you bully her the way that Han Xiao did last night, I will kill you."

"I don't want to hear about another woman approaching Qian Qian to put on an act behind my back. I hate dirty methods like that."

"So, if it happens again, don't blame me for not being sentimental."

After speaking, Li Jin subconsciously glanced at Han Xiao. Han Xiao endured the pain and left; she had never suffered such humiliation.

She had come all the way to this military base because of Li Jin, yet this man was so heartless towards her – all because of another woman. She originally thought that he'd say a few words to stick up for her even if Lin Qian decided to expose her, but, he didn't...

At the same time, she also thought that Lin Qian was a simpleton, but she wasn't as easy to deal with as expected.

#### **Chapter 904: It Actually Bothered Her So Much**

After watching Han Xiao leave, Lin Qian turned around to face Li Jin, "Do you have anything else? I need to go to work."

Li Jin could tell that Lin Qian was still upset, so he turned her around and began to lead her out, "I'll walk you out."

"No need..." Lin Qian's voice contained a certain coldness. She was sure that Li Jin knew how Han Xiao felt, yet he still allowed her to stay by his side. What was the meaning of that?

Li Jin knew that something was still bothering her, so he hooked his arm around her shoulder as they exited the training grounds.

After seeing the scene in front of them, the remaining comrades naturally felt quite complex, "Sister-in-law can't be blamed for getting angry. Han Xiao's actions were indeed very sly."

"Love can't be forced. The Major General knew how Han Xiao felt all these years, yet he always kept his distance. It's obvious that he never liked her."

"Seeing the anxious look on the Major General's face, he must be truly in love."

Lin Qian didn't care what the comrades were saying, she simply wanted to shake away Li Jin's arm.

“Qian Qian...”

“Let me go.”

“I’ve always kept my distance with Han Xiao and never overstepped my boundaries. Above all, I’ve never given her the slightest bit of hope,” Li Jin explained. “At the military base, I have always been just a soldier. I cannot and will not involve myself in any relationships.”

“The person I like is you. There is no other.”

“The incident that happened last night will never happen again. I promise.”

After hearing this, Lin Qian turned around and looked at Li Jin, “You’ve already broken your promise with dates a few times, how can you guarantee that you’d keep your promise this time?”

“When it comes to work, I am just a soldier to this country. I have no choice but to follow military orders. But, in my private life, I will never lie to you,” Li Jin said patiently. “I know that you don’t have a sense of security around me, so I’ve already made a request to my superiors: if we get married, you can also join the army.”

“Who wants to do that? I have my own things that I want to do,” Lin Qian said. Her anger had obviously subsided a little.

“Let’s go then. I’ll drive you to work.”

In reality, Li Jin made sure that Han Xiao was present today because he wanted to clarify things in front of her. This clearly showed how he took responsibility when it came to relationships. But, Lin Qian still couldn’t stand that Han Xiao would remain by Li Jin’s side.

Just like Han Xiao had predicted, it bothered her.

Li Jin understood what Lin Qian was thinking. So, as soon as they boarded the car, he immediately grabbed onto her chin and pulled her in for a kiss. He then said, “Have some confidence in yourself, OK?”

“I hope to see the same kind of possessiveness every time you face Han Xiao.”

“Because it proves that you care about me.”

Lin Qian rolled her eyes. Just as she was about to argue back, a soldier suddenly ran out and blocked their path, “Major General Li, the political commissar wants to see you. It’s urgent.”

“You go back, I can leave on my own,” Lin Qian understood that Li Jin was busy. The fact that he spared half a day for her was already a tough thing to do.

Li Jin did not say a word. He simply pulled out a folded up paper from his pocket and handed it to Lin Qian. Before she opened it, he said, “I’ll get someone else to escort you.”

After he left, Lin Qian unfolded the paper and discovered that it was an application for marriage approval.

Because an army officer's partner had to go through serious background checks, it was necessary to hand in a formal application. In fact, the check usually took one month to approve.

Lin Qian understood why Li Jin had submitted an application. He wanted her to know that he was ready to get married whenever she was ready.

Lin Qian placed the application into her bag, even though, at the moment, her heart desperately wanted a family of her own...

After returning from the military base, Lin Qian went to the set of 'Late Night 8pm' to look for Xia Hanmo. The current Xia Hanmo had improved dramatically from the past because of help from Zhou Qing. She even developed her own methods for dealing with outsiders.

After arriving on set, Lin Qian stood quietly to one side as she watched Xia Hanmo and Zhou Qing interact.

Han Xiao's words actually tormented Lin Qian. Although she was a part of the entertainment industry, it didn't mean that there was no value to her existence.

So, as she watched the successful Xia Hanmo, a new thought popped up in her head.

She needed to be even more serious to ensure that Xia Hanmo had nothing to worry about.

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Soon, it was time to vote for the annual Fei Tian Awards again. As one of the mainstream awards in China, Mo Ting instructed Fang Yu to nominate Tangning even though she no longer cared about being an actress. The nomination this time, was for 'Survivor'.

Mo Ting's reasoning was simple. Even if Tangning didn't want it, he wasn't going to give it to someone else.

Within the industry, new artists debuted every single day. At the same time, there were plenty of artists that fell from their positions. While newcomers became famous, old artists were forgotten. But, Mo Ting didn't want Tangning to become a thing of the past. He wanted her to live on forever.

So, even though the filming for 'The Ant Queen' was extremely tiring, Mo Ting always prioritized Tangning.

However, the covetous Cate did not retreat as she continued to analyze Mo Ting's likes and dislikes.

Even though she appeared to have given up, she was actually mesmerized by this oriental man.

His skillful acting and his charming appearance in front of the cameras made her completely infatuated in him.

Her manager reminded her that oriental men always prioritized their family and told her not cause her own suffering. If she continued this way, she would simply end up burning herself alive. But, Cate grabbed onto her last bit of hope and wished for the bed scene to arrive soon. She refused to believe that a man could resist her perfect body.

“When it comes to your bodies, Tangning used to be a model and almost made it onto the runway of Victoria’s Secret. President Mo already has Tangning to look at, why would he be tempted by you?”

Cate’s manager had always felt that she was hard to control. But, at least, Cate held back a little in the past. However, this time, she seemed to be serious about Mo Ting.

“While we film the bed scene, I’m going to let Mo Ting feel my real body. It’s going to be exciting.”

Her manager felt that she had gone crazy. Because the manager always looked at the bigger picture, she didn’t want Cate to offend Mo Ting and cross his bottom line.

“You won’t get the chance,” Cate’s manager said.

Afterwards, the manager contacted Cate’s agency. She felt that Cate was acting too recklessly and was ignoring the agencies interests.

The manager had often done underhanded things, but she wasn’t ruthless enough to allow her artist to ruin someone else’s family.

So, she felt it was necessary to request the director to remove the bed scene completely.

But, Qiao Sen ended up replying, “It’s fine. When the time comes, we will use a body double.”

Actually, Qiao Sen had tolerated Cate enough; he had already used up all his energy.

### **Chapter 905: Immediately Leave And Go Back To France**

Cate’s manager already heard alarm bells ringing, but Cate was still oblivious.

After all, Cate’s manager spotted a pile of actress’ portfolios on Qiao Sen’s desk when she entered his office, and it was obvious that he had looked through them all. It seemed, he was seriously considering the option of replacing Cate.

The manager wanted to calm Qiao Sen down, but Qiao Sen’s condition was for her to prevent Cate from acting recklessly.

Because of this, the manager ended up gifting Qiao Sen an expensive branded watch. But, Qiao Sen returned it straight back to her without opening it.

Of course, Qiao Sen had given Tangning a phone call to discuss this matter, but the two of them had different opinions regarding which actress to choose. So, they couldn’t settle on a suitable actress in the end.

“Let’s give Cate another chance. Since we’ve already filmed so much, it’s a shame to give up now.”

“I should have listened to you from the start and not hired an actress from overseas. I’ve simply brought upon my own suffering.”

Tangning did not reply. To be exact, her attention was currently drawn to the children’s show that was playing on the television in front of Mo Zichen.

The little rascal was mesmerized by the television screen as he held onto the remote control in his hands. Yet, he obviously couldn't even walk properly yet.

Afterwards, Tangning hung up the phone and focused on the images on the television...

Out of the two brothers, Mo Zixi enjoyed sleeping, but he was also playful and active. Mo Zichen, on the other hand, was like an old man. No matter what he did, he resembled a mini-adult and was extremely interesting to observe. Hence, Zixi appeared more like a child, while Zichen appeared beyond his years. At this rate, Tangning predicted that the little rascal would end up smarter than her and Mo Ting.

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Meanwhile, at the entrance of a certain television station.

Xia Hanmo and Lin Qian stepped out of the studio to find that it was raining outside. So, while Lin Qian ran off to fetch the car, Zhou Qing approached Xia Hanmo from behind.

"Hanmo."

"Zhou Ge?" Xia Hanmo looked confusedly at Zhou Qing.

"I know that you have a good relationship with Lin Qian, but there are some things that I'm not sure whether I should say. I simply want to give you a suggestion; I mean no harm."

Xia Hanmo was a little surprised, but she replied politely, "Go ahead."

"I acknowledge Lin Qian's abilities. Plus, I know she treats you really well. But, I believe that her background is a little complicated. After all, her boyfriend is in the military. If she gets married one day, she will likely place all her focus on her family. So, I think you need to start preparing yourself for that possibility and keep an eye out for a suitable assistant and manager."

"Although I'm sure that Tangning will have her arrangements, I believe that your needs are the main priority."

After listening to Zhou Qing's advice, Xia Hanmo nodded her head, "Thank you for the suggestion Zhou Ge, but I don't think it's necessary at the moment."

"Yes, I'm simply preparing you for the possibility," Zhou Qing smiled.

Soon, Lin Qian arrived with the car and Zhou Qing's assistant also stopped his car in front of the two people. They each boarded their own car and returned to their respective homes. But, Xia Hanmo felt a little uncomfortable. Even though Zhou Qing was simply making a suggestion, Xia Hanmo couldn't accept the possibility of Lin Qian leaving her side.

So, while they were driving home, Xia Hanmo couldn't help but ask Lin Qian, "When are you planning to get married?"

"I haven't considered it yet," Lin Qian replied.

Xia Hanmo secretly breathed a sigh of relief. As long as it wasn't anytime soon. So, the matter that Zhou Qing brought up, she would have to consider it again when the time came.

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Cate wanted Mo Ting, so she had no other option but to try and get some physical contact with him. But, by this time, pretty much the entire crew knew she was interested in him.

However, the crew were relieved to see that Mo Ting never even took a glance at her; those that were fans of the Mo Couple didn't need to worry.

"This Cate is so cheap that she won't let go of any opportunities."

"President Mo belongs to Tangning. I hope this woman can control herself."

"I really dislike actors from overseas. They may be good at acting, but their relationships are too messed up."

"Just wait and see. Cate is bound to humiliate herself."

As the staff gathered together to discuss Cate, Cate's manager naturally caught wind of their conversations. Things were already getting difficult on set for them, yet Cate didn't know how to restrain herself.

A little while later, Cate asked a member of staff to fetch her a glass of water. However, she took a sip, spat it back out and tipped the glass on the floor; it was too hot.

"What are you doing? Are you trying to burn me?"

The little set assistant felt wronged. Especially since serving this actress was never a part of her job description to begin with.

But, in order not to offend the woman, she picked up the glass and went to fetch another one. However, this time around, Cate complained that she didn't put any sugar in.

The set assistant couldn't stand it anymore and mumbled a few words under her breath. However, Cate heard what she said. Even though she didn't understand Chinese, she could tell that the assistant was complaining. So, she asked her manager, "What did she just say?"

"She said that you can't compare to Tangning," her manager replied straightforwardly.

"If Tangning is so great, then why didn't you guys hire her instead? I'm sure you guys could have supported her no matter how much of a lousy wh\*re she is."

The set assistant didn't understand English, so she simply felt even more frustrated. Seeing this, Cate let out a laugh and poured the glass of water all over the set assistant's head, "Tangning is a lousy wh\*re, a lousy wh\*re!"

The manager let Cate say these words because she knew that no one was around. But, she never expected that these words would travel to Mo Ting's ears.

After all, the set assistant was bullied, so she naturally complained to Qiao Sen. Although she didn't understand English, she remembered Cate's last words and repeated them to Qiao Sen.

After Qiao Sen heard this, his face turned red in anger. Worst of all, Mo Ting was standing right behind them.

“President Mo...”

Mo Ting did not say a word as he glared at Cate, who was in the distance, and walked towards her.

Qiao Sen and the set assistant quickly followed behind, prepared to handle the storm that was about to hit.

Of course, Cate was surprised to see Mo Ting. After all, when did he ever approach her on his own? So, she immediately stood up from her chair and greeted him with a smile. However, Mo Ting simply said to her, “Immediately leave and go back to France! Don’t let me see you ever again!”

Cate’s expression turned cold, confused by Mo Ting’s demand.

“Why?”

“Shoo,” Mo Ting said coldly as he turned to Cate’s manager, “If you’re smart, you’ll tell your agency to give up on Cate. Otherwise, I’m going to make your agency suffer.”

The manager did not move. To be exact, she didn’t know how to react to Mo Ting’s threat.

The manager could tell that Mo Ting was truly angered.

So, she had no other choice but to do as she was told. After all, compared to Cate, no one dared to offend Hai Rui.

### **Chapter 906: The Female Lead Has Been Dismissed !**

Actually, she had already predicted things to turn out this way. She was hoping that they’d be able to hold on until filming was completed, but obviously, Cate was too hard to control. She had absolutely no self awareness. So, it only seemed right to abandon this chess piece.

Cate actually insulted Tangning. How dare she insult Tangning?

Didn’t she consider what would happen if Mo Ting found out?

“No, I want to continue. You were the ones that invited me here. You have no right to send me away.”

However, Mo Ting turned around and left without glancing back.

“I will send you a contract cancellation agreement soon...” Qiao Sen notified. He knew that Mo Ting had been tolerating Cate for a long time. Fortunately for her, she had only done a few physical tricks up until this point. But this time, she was stupid enough to insult Tangning...

She was obviously digging her own grave. President Mo was the kind of person that could tolerate anything directed at him because he was tough on himself. But, it was impossible for him to see Tangning suffer in any way. Especially when he caught someone insulting her.

Cate cried and screamed as she questioned Qiao Sen.

But, her manager completely abandoned her as she went off to pack her things and call their agency to report that Cate had screwed up and was being dismissed.

“Is this the way you bully actresses from overseas? I am going to sue you...”

She was welcome to give it a try. But, did she really think that Mo Ting was a pushover?

Cate had been testing Mo Ting’s bottom line for a while. She thought that Mo Ting would continue to tolerate her. But of course, that would have been the case if she didn’t insult Tangning.

“Director, the female lead has been dismissed. Should we continue filming?”

Qiao Sen let out a sigh, “Of course not. Go home and wait for my notification instead.”

After everyone packed and left, Cate finally thought of chasing after her manager. However, her manager boarded her car with no intention of letting Cate on.

“Cate, I’ve endured you for many years. Now, I can finally be free. You can go ahead and book your own flight back to France,” the manager said before she left.

“B\*tch! Come back!”

Cate chased after the car, but her manager did not turn back.

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Afterwards, Qiao Sen reported the entire incident to Tangning over the phone, “President Mo overheard Cate insulting you, so this was the result.”

“OK,” Tangning replied.

“Although Cate doesn’t have many scenes, replacing her means that we will need to start again. The biggest problem is, we don’t have anyone suitable for the role.”

Qiao Sen’s biggest worry was the fact that they hadn’t found a suitable actress.

However, at this time, Tangning smiled and asked, “Since we have to find a new actress, why don’t we take this opportunity to change the script a little?”

“What are you suggesting?” Qiao Sen asked.

“I have an idea.”

It was impossible for Tangning to act in the film because she was pregnant. But, it also didn’t seem right to hire another actress. At this rate, the film was to be stuck at a standstill. So, Tangning had another idea.

But, while Tangning and Qiao Sen were discussing the matter and figuring out how to deal with it, Cate stormed into the French embassy and completely blew the incident out of proportion.

Of course, the French embassy simply ignored her because she was obviously being unreasonable.



But...the issue got leaked out in the end. Although people within the industry had previously doubted Tangning and Qiao Sen, they couldn't believe that they still went ahead and decided to create a sci-fi film.

So, now that the female lead was causing a commotion, was Tangning's sci-fi dream still possible?

More and more people watched on in curiosity.

"Tangning actually gave up being an actress to pursue an unrealistic dream. Has she been bewitched in some way?"

"Although I support Tangning, the domestic sci-fi market is so bad that I don't think it can be saved."

"Just wait and see. They're going to start off with the intention to film something completely produced by the domestic market, but they will end up using resources from Hollywood instead."

"I hope Tangning doesn't go down a dishonest path like that..."

In the eyes of observers, Tangning was likely using dishonest methods.

So, with Cate's matter on top, no one was willing to believe in Tangning's sci-fi film. They thought she was crazy.

But, if Tangning actually cared what others thought, she wouldn't have started with the film and she wouldn't have invested all her efforts into it.

So, while everyone was expressing their doubts, Tangning met up with Qiao Sen.

"Hai Rui will handle Cate's matter. Meanwhile, I'm going to tell you my idea."

"I think the backstory of 'The Ant Queen' can be changed..." Tangning showed Qiao Sen a diagram that she sketched out. "Sci-fi films in recent years have long abandoned the need for a hero and a damsel. It's such an outdated plot. I don't think the film needs a woman."

"Huh?" Qiao Sen didn't quite understand. "Are you saying..."

"We can abandon the need for a woman, but we can add in a girl. We can tell the story of a father and daughter instead. It will give the film an extra degree of depth. Plus, films like this have already been successful overseas."

"Moreover, this is a sci-fi film. If we throw a helpless little girl into the mix, the film will have more suspense and it will trigger the protective instincts of the audience and make the scenes appear more dangerous. I don't think that having a girl in the film will be any less appealing than having a woman."

"Most importantly, I've already selected someone suitable for this role," Tangning placed some information in front of Qiao Sen, "This little girl is called Coco Lee <sup>1</sup>. Because her father is Canadian, this little seven-year-old has beautifully mixed features. However, this is not the main point, the main point is that she is a true acting talent."

Qiao Sen didn't know how to react to Tangning's words. But, as business partners, Tangning's suggestion was indeed the best option for them.

So, after taking a moment to compose himself, Qiao Sen finally asked Tangning, “How did you think of this idea?”

Tangning had to thank Zichen, the little rascal.

A one year old child watching television actually helped his mother solve a difficult problem.

“This is like killing multiple birds with one stone. Most importantly, I don’t need to live in fear while selecting a female lead to play alongside President Mo,” Qiao Sen was still cautious around Mo Ting.

“By the way, have you discussed this matter with President Mo yet?”

Tangning nodded her head. On the night that she discovered this little girl, she had already mentioned her idea to Mo Ting, “Did you think I was capable of doing all this on my own? Even if I did, it would have taken me a few days. But, for Mo Ting, it only took one night.”

Mo Ting wasn’t just powerful because he was smart. Most importantly, he was great at devising strategies.

There were many things that he didn’t need to do on his own. As long as he made proper arrangements, then everything would fall into place.

“So, are you saying that President Mo deliberately blew up the matter with Cate?”

In regards to this matter, Mo Ting was truly angered.

### **Chapter 907: The Little Actress**

The little girl was indeed a true acting talent. From a young age, she already started appearing on television to help her father make money. But, this was, in essence, very different to acting in a film.

Even though Coco was born into a mixed culture family, in reality, she only had her father. Because her mother viewed her father as weak and useless, she ended up leaving him and marrying a rich businessman as his second wife. But, little Coco was very mature. As soon as her father realized that she had acting talent, she decided to help lighten her father’s burdens by working. As a result, she was now quite famous within the industry.

Tangning was, after all, a mother. So, when she heard that Coco Lee was so mature, she couldn’t help but sympathize with the little girl. Hence, when they finally met, Tangning subconsciously patted her on the head.

Tangning would perhaps never forget the first time she met the little girl. Her eyes were especially big and clear and she had a certain determination to her.

“Although I’m thankful that Miss Tang has offered my Coco such a great opportunity, I’ve read through the synopsis of the film and don’t feel like she can handle it,” Father Lee patted his daughter on the head. “I am her father. I’ve already lost her mother, so I can’t lose her as well. That’s why I need to protect my daughter.”

“Coco, what do you think? Do you want to give it a try?” Tangning looked down and questioned the seated little girl.

The little girl had a head of long black hair and an intelligent aura to her. After careful thought, she tilted her head and said to her father, “Daddy, I want to give it a try.”

“But, what if you get scared...”

“Daddy, you’re being silly. There are so many people on set. As long as there are people around, I won’t be scared,” Coco replied confidently. “Plus, I trust that auntie will protect me.”

Father Lee actually knew that his daughter was scared, but he was aware that she was trying to help him.

Because, in the past, he had been too naive. While running his own business, he was tricked by his friends and ended up with a huge debt.

“Fine then.”

“Don’t worry, I’ll protect her well,” Tangning said as she handed Father Lee a contract. “You can ask a lawyer to analyze this contract for you.”

Father Lee had looked through plenty of contracts in the past because of his daughter, so he could tell that Tangning was trying her best to take care of them.

“No need, I’ll sign it.”

Tangning really liked Coco; it was hard not to like her.

So, before Father Lee took the little girl away, Tangning said sincerely to him, “Mr. Lee, there are a few words that I’d like to say to you.”

“Please go ahead, Miss Tang.”

“Coco is currently seven-years-old, but in the future, she will eventually gain more and more attention. So, you need to toughen up. Otherwise, you won’t be able to protect your daughter.”

“I’m sorry, we investigated your current situation and are aware that you are in debt. We also know that you shouldn’t be held liable for this sum of money, so why did you accept the responsibility?”

“To be honest, it’s because I’m not good at playing tricks,” Father Lee replied helplessly. “As soon as someone threatens me with Coco, there’s nothing I can do.”

“It’s because of this that Coco tries so hard to toughen up and protect her father,” Tangning replied. She then turned and looked at Coco, “If you have money, what would you do with it?”

“I would hire a bodyguard for daddy so no one can hurt him ever again. After that, I would hire a lawyer, so I can teach the people that bullied daddy a lesson.”

“Look, even Coco knows what to do. Of course, these are all external factors. The most important thing is how you can toughen up on the inside.”

Father Lee thought for a second and appeared like he had been enlightened. A moment later, he quickly thanked Tangning and led Coco out.

As she watched the father and daughter leave, Tangning felt her heart ache.

So, after she returned home later that night, she recalled what happened to Mo Ting.

After hearing what happened, Mo Ting furrowed his brows and asked, "Are you heartbroken because of them?"

Tangning knew what Mo Ting was thinking, so she immediately hit him on the chest, "Where has your mind wandered off to? This is a natural protective response towards the weak."

Mo Ting reached out his arm and pulled Tangning onto his lap. He understood that even though his wife had been hurt by Han Yufan in the past and appeared cold on the outside, she was still warm-hearted on the inside. Especially after becoming a mother, she had become more sensitive towards human relationships.

"You will definitely like this little girl."

Mo Ting did not say a word as he focused on his work and coaxed Tangning to sleep in his arms.

3 days later, Qiao Sen scheduled for Coco Lee to undertake an audition. Even though the little girl had strong acting skills, President Mo simply said, "Trainable," before he confirmed her role as the female protagonist in 'The Ant Queen'.

To be exact, she was a mini-protagonist.

Afterwards, Mo Ting sat to the side and read his script. Under normal circumstances, Mo Ting didn't usually allow others to disturb him. But, when Coco saw him, she walked over and asked, "Uncle, can I sit here?"

Mo Ting lifted his head and looked at the little girl, but he did not respond. His silence symbolized consent.

Coco sat down not too far from Mo Ting as her two little hands pressed against the chair and her eyes peered at the script in Mo Ting's hands.

"I heard from the big brothers that uncle is really good at acting. Can you teach me?"

Mo Ting slightly shifted his script to the left so the little girl could see it. He needed practice interacting with little girls. After all, his daughter was on her way.

As soon as the staff saw this, they were quite surprised. Barely anyone ever had the guts to directly approach Mo Ting.

But little Coco wasn't afraid.

A member of staff even snapped a photo. This was a huge contrast from the usual Mo Ting. They were completely shocked.

"Tangning has good taste."

Later on, someone questioned Coco, “Don’t you think that uncle is scary?”

The little girl shook her head, “No. I haven’t done anything wrong, so there’s no reason for uncle to do anything to me, right?””

This little creature was much too loveable. In an instant, everyone on set felt they couldn’t compare to this little seven-year-old.

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Looking back at the film, now that the main characters changed from lovers to father and daughter, it was actually easier to jump straight into the main plot because they no longer had to create an awkward encounter between the characters.

In the end, the film was about a father saving his abducted daughter by entering into an unknown land. Whilst fighting with the kidnappers, someone accidentally woke up a mysterious creature – a giant white ant!

The first scene was of the daughter being abducted. Coco was inexperienced with films, so during the first scene, she fell over and scratched off some skin.

### **Chapter 908: Fighting For Custody**

As everyone watched the injured little child, their heart’s ached. But, Coco did not cry, even though her eyes were already welling up with tears.

“Qiao Yeye <sup>1</sup>, I’m not hurt. Let’s try again.”

“Aiyo, how could Qiao Yeye bear to see you try again,” Qiao Sen leaned over and picked the little girl up in his arms.

Meanwhile, everyone placed their gaze upon Mo Ting. But, he stood around helplessly as he waited for backup to arrive.

Soon, Tangning arrived. As soon as she saw that Coco was hurt, she immediately ran over to comfort her. Afterwards, she smiled and offered, “I’ll teach you how to do the scene.”

Tangning could already imagine how badly President Mo would dote on their daughter because he would be completely helpless around her.

In the end, even though Tangning couldn’t personally act in the film, she did some great demonstrations for Coco. Coco’s scenes weren’t that dangerous because Mo Ting took on the majority of the action scenes, so, the demonstrations posed no danger for Tangning.

“They look like a family of three...”

“Yes. Tangning’s daughter will definitely be just as beautiful.”

One of the members of staff ended up posting the photo they took of Mo Ting with Coco. Originally, they simply wanted to admire the image, but, the photo unexpectedly went viral.

After all, the image was so contrasting that it was perfect.

“WTF, what’s this? When did President Mo take this photo?”

“Who’s this little girl? She’s so cute! They look like a loving father and daughter.”

“It’s so contrasting that it pulls at my heartstrings. When was this photo taken?”

“Isn’t that Coco Lee? Why is she in a photo with President Mo?”

Soon, someone brought up Cate’s incident and speculated, “This may be from the set of Tangning’s sci-fi film. Didn’t Cate say that the male lead is President Mo?”

“Previously, when I heard that she was filming a sci-fi film, I didn’t really put much thought into it. But after seeing this photo, I suddenly feel a bit of anticipation.”

“I love the contrast. President Mo looks like a cool father.”

Actually, the leaking of this photo didn’t end up affecting ‘The Ant Queen’. After all, the public were simply speculating and the photo wasn’t from the actual shoot. However, the photo did catch the attention of a particular person.

Coco Lee’s mother!

This woman who had run off to marry a rich businessman wasn’t someone to be taken lightly. After her husband died, she didn’t receive any monetary inheritance as it all went to his children. So all she was left with was a house. Previously, when she saw that Father Lee was deep in debt, she had no intention to look for the father and daughter. But, now that she saw her daughter had connections with Mo Ting, she finally felt it was time to fight for her custody.

After all, Coco’s appearance fees looked promising and Father Lee was too weak to hold up against her.

To create the image of a loving mother, Mother Lee ended up giving her ex-husband a phone call.

“Sam, I miss my daughter, I want to see her.”

Father Lee was a little taken aback. He hadn’t seen this woman in five years, yet the first thing she said to him was that she wanted to see her daughter.

So, he hung up the phone without hesitation. But, in the end Mother Lee directly showed up at his doorstep.

“Seriously, after so many years, you’re still living in the same place?” the woman complained as soon as she stepped into the home.

In the past, she had endured many tough years in this place. So she couldn’t imagine that this man still lived here.

Had he perhaps spent all the money that Coco made from her jobs?

“Why are you here?”

“Do I need a reason to see my daughter?” the woman said as she spread her palms questioningly.

“Coco’s not at home. You should come back another time,” Father Lee began to send her away.

“I want to know if Coco is partaking in a film. I heard that she has a good relationship with the richest man in the entertainment industry...”

“There’s no such thing,” Father Lee said as he pushed the woman out.

He was certain that this woman was here because of greed.

So, after he kicked her out, he immediately gave Tangning a phone call, “Miss Tang, Coco’s mother came looking for me claiming that she wanted to see her daughter. I don’t think she has pure intentions. What should I do?”

After hearing this, Tangning was quite surprised by how quickly the woman acted.

She actually went directly to Father Lee’s home?

“Firstly, the two of you need to move houses. I will arrange for you to stay at a hotel near the studio.”

“But, she’s Coco’s mother. I have no reason not to let her see her child. Even legally, I have no right,” Father Lee said anxiously. “I’ve been cautious all along because I was afraid she’d try and snatch Coco away from me. If she honestly wanted to be a good mother, I would not be so resistant. But, she’s definitely not a good mother...”

“Mr. Lee, don’t panic. We can discuss this in detail when we meet tomorrow.”

With Tangning’s help, Father Lee immediately calmed down. However, the woman continued to knock on his door, “Sam Lee, if you don’t let me see Coco, I will find lawyers to sue you. You must know that your finances aren’t stable at the moment. So, under these circumstances, the judge will definitely give custody to me.”

This was exactly what Father Lee was worried about.

But of course, when Tangning first approached the father and daughter, she was already prepared to help them handle their family issues.

She wasn’t about to let someone ruin an actress with so much potential.

Plus, she hated people that abandoned their children and only returned for benefits.

“Leave this disgusting matter for me to handle. In the meantime, you can mentor the little girl.”

“I feel a little awkward around her,” Mo Ting replied honestly.

After hearing this response, Tangning let out a laugh, “So you’re actually aware of that. When you’re around little girls, you look completely helpless. At this rate, how badly are you going to dote our daughter once she’s born? President Mo, you deal with a host of problems every day, yet you can’t even handle a little girl?”

“It’s different, I can carry and teach my own daughter.”

“Then just treat Coco like your own daughter,” Tangning smiled as she left.

However, she couldn't help but sigh – producing a film was hard work!

She had previously heard about how people had to start afresh. But now that it happened to her, she finally realized how difficult it was to be a producer.

But, even if it wasn't for the sake of her own film and she came across a situation like Coco's, she would still offer assistance to the best of her ability.

So, she was going to deal with the b\*tch.

But of course, Father Lee played an important role. So, Tangning decided to meet with him. However, the first thing he did when he saw her was sigh, "I feel like Coco will be taken away from me."

### **Chapter 909: With Me Around, She Won't Be Able To Take Her**

"With me around, she won't be able to take her," Tangning said confidently. "Firstly, your debts have already been cleared and your savings are in the 6-figures. So, there is nothing wrong with your finances."

"Secondly, she has a history of abandoning Coco."

"Thirdly, she's actually the one that is facing financial difficulties at the moment."

After hearing Tangning's words Father Lee finally calmed down. Whenever he thought about the possibility of Coco leaving his side, he felt like he'd lose all meaning in life.

Tangning looked at Father Lee. This man was much too kind-hearted. To be exact, he was too soft. It was because of this that he couldn't protect the most important person in his life. Things in life weren't going to sort themselves out if he kept retreating.

In reality, Tangning actually had a much more complex plan. But, after seeing Father Lee, she realized he wouldn't be able to do anything. So, she held back her plan and decided to ask Long Jie to execute it instead. However, growing up in a broken family and seeing the disagreement between her parents wasn't good for a child's mental health. So, Tangning could only hope that Coco remained as strong as she was now.

"Should I take Coco to see her?"

"Why not? You can't stop a mother from seeing her daughter. But, bring a few extra people with you when the time comes," Tangning replied.

"OK, I understand," Father Lee nodded.

Meanwhile, Coco was on set filming 'The Ant Queen'. As a child actress with no experience, she was extremely hard-working and determined. This made the adults on set feel a little ashamed in comparison.

Whenever Tangning wasn't present, Coco loved to follow Mo Ting around.



She liked to look at his script and tail him around the set. In fact, her gaze barely left Mo Ting. This was because she felt extremely safe around him.

It was normal for Coco to seek protection from Mo Ting. After all, he was the Big Boss of Entertainment. But, the fact that Mo Ting let the little girl follow him around was what made everyone shocked.

“Coco, lower your hips a little...”

Seeing the strict expectations from Qiao Sen, Mo Ting couldn't help but warn, “Be reasonable.”

Qiao Sen chuckled and replied, “Don't worry, this child is born for the entertainment industry. It's enough that Tangning cares so much since she's cold on the outside and warm on the inside, but what about you President Mo...”

“I am training my future daughter-in-law.”

Qiao Sen's eyes grew wide. Was this true? Weren't the twins only a little over one? Was Mo Ting looking for a daughter-in-law already? And wasn't she at least five years older than them?

Of course, Mo Ting was just joking, but Qiao Sen actually took him seriously.

“Uncle, I heard from daddy last night that ‘that woman’ wants to take me away from him.”

“As long as you don't want to, no one can force you to do something that you don't want to do,” Mo Ting replied.

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A couple of days later, a piece of gossip started spreading around the variety industry. The son of a particular Station Manager lost his left arm because he was caught cheating with another man's girlfriend. It was a much deserved result.

That night, while Xia Hanmo was filming her program, Lin Qian headed to the parking lot to fetch her a jacket. But, she happened to overhear someone talking on the phone.

“Let's see if he tries to provoke me again. The entire nation now knows that I made his show famous and he simply picked up after me. Did he think that I didn't fight back because I was afraid of him? You guys handled this matter beautifully.”

“He simply lost an arm. It's not even enough to cure my hatred yet.”

After hearing these last few words, Lin Qian was stunned.

The voice was too familiar. So familiar that she couldn't quite accept it.

Afraid that she'd be discovered, Lin Qian quickly returned to the studio. But, the man that was on the phone noticed her leaving. Fortunately, he couldn't confirm her identity.

As soon as Lin Qian returned to Xia Hanmo's side, she quickly removed her black jacket.

A moment later, Zhou Qing returned to the studio and saw Lin Qian. But, she did not arouse his suspicions.

Because Lin Qian was now wearing a white shirt.

“Qian Qian, where’s my jacket? I thought you went to the parking lot to fetch it for me.”

As soon as Zhou Qing heard Xia Hanmo’s question, his expression slightly changed. However, Lin Qian remained as calm as ever as she replied, “I didn’t go to the parking lot, I went to ask the stylist for your earrings instead.”

After hearing this, Zhou Qing let go of his suspicions and stepped back in front of the cameras. They were filming a new promotional trailer.

Lin Qian did not make a fuss. While everyone was busy filming, she quietly snuck to the back and made a phone call to Tangning.

She couldn’t believe that there was actually someone in this world that was so good at disguising herself. This experience completely ruined Lin Qian’s impression of Zhou Qing. It turned out, a person could completely fool everyone with a high EQ and gentle exterior.

Afraid that Xia Hanmo couldn’t accept the truth, Lin Qian decided not to tell her about it for now and instead told Tangning.

After Tangning heard what had happened, she immediately told Lin Qian, “Don’t let anyone know about this for now. If Zhou Qing is actually like that, then we need to have a proper plan of attack. Especially for Hanmo, we need to help her withdraw safely.”

“OK,” Lin Qian forced herself to calm down, but she was still afraid for her own safety, so she decided to give Li Jin a phone call.

Afterwards, Lin Qian returned to the studio. But, at this time, Zhou Qing happened to look her way.

Lin Qian couldn’t avoid his gaze, so she looked directly at him.

Why hadn’t she noticed that this man was so good at hiding his true self?

After filming was completed, Lin Qian went to the parking lot to fetch her car. At this time, Zhou Qing approached Xia Hanmo and said to her, “Hanmo, I think Lin Qian lied to you. I’m certain she was in the parking lot earlier. She may have heard me talking on the phone.”

“Why would Lin Qian lie?”

“I think she may have misunderstood me. The Station Manager’s son has been causing me a whole heap of trouble, so my friends offered to stick up for me.”

“She may have thought that I did something to him.”

“Since it’s a misunderstanding, then just explain yourself to her,” Xia Hanmo didn’t seem to care. After all, overhearing something incorrectly was a normal occurrence.

“If Lin Qian actually misunderstood, can you explain to her on my behalf?”

“Don’t worry, Zhou Ge.”

Xia Hanmo had no idea that this was all a trick. So after she boarded the car, she asked Lin Qian, “Qian Qian, Zhou Ge said he saw you going to the parking lot. Did you actually go there?”

Lin Qian did not reply. She could already guess that Zhou Qing had tried to explain himself to Xia Hanmo, but the content of his explanation would only be known between the two of them.

For the sake of her own safety, Lin Qian shook her head, “I honestly didn’t go to the parking lot. I went to the makeup room. Zhou Ge must have confused me for someone else.”

“Really?”

“Really,” Lin Qian nodded.

“OK.”

From that moment onwards, Xia Hanmo simply felt that Lin Qian and Zhou Qing were a bit weird.

Lin Qian suspected Zhou Qing, but if she had no evidence and tried to point him out, she would simply end up exposing herself. Worst of all, Xia Hanmo would lose her trust in her.

Soon, Li Jin arrived to take Lin Qian home. After listening to Lin Qian recall what happened, he patted her on the back with praise, “You did well.”

### **Chapter 910: She Didn’t Like To Underestimate Her Enemies**

“But I’m worried about Hanmo and my current situation,” Lin Qian said. “For some reason, uncovering another person’s secret isn’t really that great. When I think about how cold and heartless Zhou Qing sounded on the phone, I can’t help feeling scared.”

“Don’t worry, I’ll protect you,” Li Jin comforted. “Since you refuse to move in with me, why don’t you move over to my parents’ house. My mom really likes you.”

“What are you talking about?” Lin Qian glared.

But, Li Jin wasn’t joking. He was seriously considering this option.

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After receiving Lin Qian’s phone call, Tangning had no choice but to reevaluate Zhou Qing as a person.

Looking at his information, he appeared perfect: he was publicly acknowledged as the best host, he had a high EQ, he was talented and he had practically no flaws. But, no one imagined that he was hiding so much.

After returning home, Mo Ting noticed that Tangning was looking through Zhou Qing’s information. So, he approached her and asked, “What’s wrong?”

Tangning took some time to explain what Lin Qian had discovered. After hearing everything, Mo Ting fell silent for a few seconds before his gaze darkened, “It’s not easy to deal with someone that’s so good at acting. Zhou Qing has a high IQ and EQ and knows how to judge a situation. I’m afraid he even used you for his own gain.”

Mo Ting was referring to how Tangning helped him transfer to an enemy television station, even though Tangning actually did it for Xia Hanmo's sake.

But, Tangning did not view Zhou Qing lightly. She didn't like to underestimate her enemies.

"Ting...if what Lin Qian saw was true and Zhou Qing has been putting on an act. Do you think we should be cautious of him from now on?"

"He will definitely fight for Xia Hanmo," Mo Ting replied. "Originally, he was going to slowly get close to Xia Hanmo and use her and Superstar Media to confirm his status. But now that Lin Qian has discovered his secret, he will definitely try to drive a wedge between the two women. If Xia Hanmo trusts him, he would assume that you also trust him."

"After all, Lin Qian's partner is in the military and military families are strict. As soon as she gets married, she will have to focus on family. So, he probably thinks that a smart person like you would give up on Lin Qian and choose to side with Xia Hanmo."

Tangning agreed with Mo Ting's analysis.

"He's wrong. I'm not giving up on anyone."

"If he actually plans to play his tricks on Superstar Media...I won't let him off easily."

"Let's keep observing."

Luckily, Lin Qian reacted fast enough to deny that she knew anything. Tangning was currently dealing with Coco's matter. If she had found out any later, the results would have been unimaginable. But, not exposing him didn't mean that nothing would happen. Zhou Qing was too skilled at hiding his true self. All of a sudden, he had completely ruined his image as a good man.

But, was this powerful opponent going to be easy to deal with?

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That night, Zhou Qing pretended to worry about his reputation and tried to get information about Lin Qian from Xia Hanmo. He also went to her apartment and invited her out for dinner.

Xia Hanmo had always been grateful towards Zhou Qing. So, all he had to do was make a simple kind gesture and her impression of him would quickly increase.

"Hanmo, you're honestly very talented. With someone as capable as Lin Qian assisting you, you have unlimited potential."

"You've actually helped me a lot," Xia Hanmo responded, "Thank you, Zhou Ge."

"It's nothing, you don't need to keep thanking me," Zhou Ge said before he brought Xia Hanmo to a quiet place for a stroll. "I've been to the hospital and visited your brother. I know things weren't easy for you. Silly girl, you've suffered over the years."

Xia Hanmo was a little surprised. She never expected that Zhou Qing would go and visit her brother.

Most surprising of all, Zhou Qing gently leaned in and hugged her when no one was around.

“Zhou Ge...”

“Hanmo...”

Zhou Qing knew how to play hard to get. He did not take things further, nor did he confess any feelings. He simply triggered Hanmo’s beating heart. He even whispered in her ear, “Although Lin Qian may misunderstand us, I still want to hug you.”

Zhou Qing said this because he expected Xia Hanmo to consider the ‘misunderstanding’ in the parking lot and not tell Lin Qian about what happened tonight.

As expected, Xia Hanmo did not mention a word to Lin Qian.

And for her own safety, Lin Qian did not reveal what she knew. However, she hated this feeling: she hated feeling like her and Xia Hanmo were drifting apart. But, to allow Tangning to investigate Zhou Qing, Lin Qian had to wait patiently.

Meanwhile, Tangning had to quickly settle the matter with Coco so she could focus on Zhou Qing.

So, during Mother Lee’s meeting with Coco, she instructed Father Lee to bring bodyguards and lawyers with him.

Of course, Coco did not want to see this mother of hers, so her gaze was filled with hatred. In fact, when Mother Lee went to hug her, she ended up bursting into tears. Tangning had taught her that if she didn’t want this woman to disturb her and her father again, then this was the best thing to do.

“You’re a bad woman! For the sake of money, you abandoned daddy and I. Yet, you suddenly want to take me back. You aren’t human!”

“You simply want to swindle daddy’s money, you’re horrible.”

Mother Lee did not expect Coco to give such a big response, attracting the gaze of everyone around them.

“Coco, Mommy loves you...”

“You only love money. When I was just two-years-old, you abandoned me in the snow. Luckily, daddy saved me. You aren’t human!”

“Just because I have money now, you suddenly want to take me back. I’m going to take you to court and sue you!”

Regardless of everything else, Coco had to first hold the moral high ground.

She had to first let everyone know that this woman abandoned her daughter before she could do anything.

The little actress did well as everyone began to point and gossip about Mother Lee.

“How could a mother be like this? She must be crazy.”

“Isn’t this the little girl that appeared in a photo with Mo Ting? This woman must have seen that her daughter has money now, so she wants to take control. There’s no one else like her.”

“Let’s take a photo of her and expose her.”

All of a sudden, everyone was scolding this ruthless woman. Meanwhile, Coco returned to her father’s side and let out a sigh of relief.

Soon, some lawyers approached Mother Lee and said to her, “We are the legal representatives for Mr. Lee and his daughter. Madam, I think we need to have a proper chat.”

“In regards to the custody of Miss Coco Lee, we would like you to know that you have absolutely no right. Do you understand?”