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"Understood."

Azure Dragon and Kirin shared a look.

By now, Sebastian, Simon and the rest of his gang were already out of the metropolitan area of North Hampton.

They were rushing their way towards South City.

"We're finally out of North Hampton," Sebastian heaved a sigh of relief.

He was fearful of actually dying in North Hampton.

That man is too ruthless.

He managed to deal with tough opponents like the Black and White Guards.

Sebastian knew that if he continued his stay, only death awaited him.

Since his opponent was so strong, he chose to avoid him.

"I'll remember what Morris Group has done. I'm coming back after I get help from South City!"

It was impossible for Sebastian to let this matter go.

"Sir, I think something's wrong."

Simon's instincts were sounding the alarms in his mind. It felt as if something bad was going to happen anytime soon.

"Don't worry. No one can come after us here," Sebastian sneered.

Fwoosh!

Right then, the driver pulled the brakes abruptly and nearly threw Sebastian and the rest out of the car.

The road in front of them was blocked.

Sebastian's fleet of cars was forced to come to a stop.

"What's going on?" Sebastian urgently asked.

Right then, a group of shadows appeared from behind the roadblocks.

The man in lead was James.

They had been waiting in this spot for a long time.

"Mr. Sebastian Lopez, since you're here, why don't you stay forever? Why are you leaving?" James said with an accent.

"Get rid of them!"

The look in Sebastian's eyes turned cold.

The bodyguards of the Lopez family charged forward.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

However, they were worlds apart in skills from mercenaries like James.

Soon, the bodyguards of the Lopez family were all on the ground.

Sebastian and Simon looked at James and his men in shock.

Knowing that he was disadvantageous in the situation, Sebastian surrendered instantly.

"Take them with us!"

In the end, James brought the escaping Sebastian back to North Hampton.

They came to a villa in North Hampton.

In the villa, a group of people was staring at him.

Shakily, Sebastian asked, "What are you trying to do? I want to meet with the boss of Morris Group."

Kirin laughed, "You want to meet my boss? You have no right!"

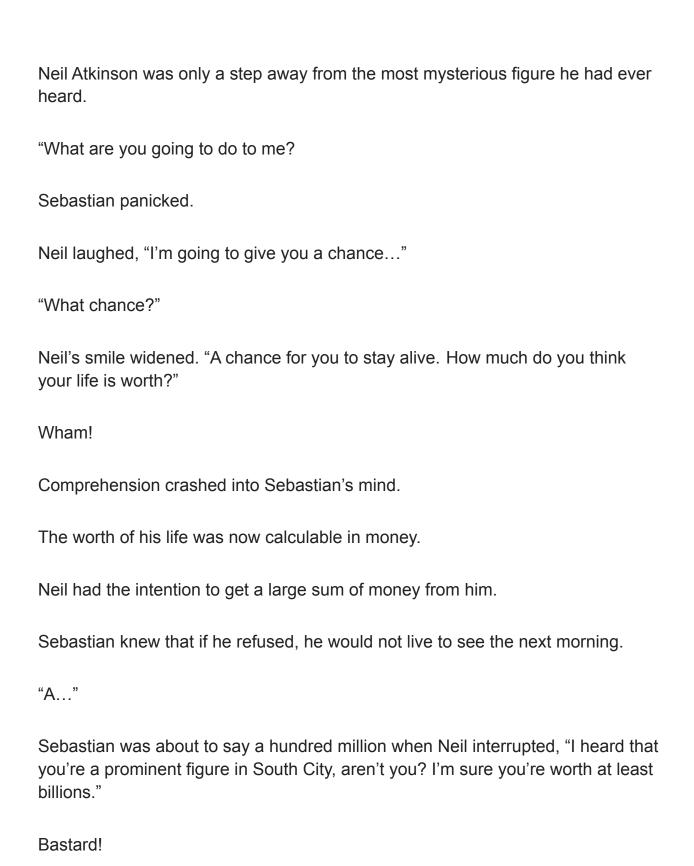
"W- Who are you?"

Sebastian warily looked at Levi.

"Neil Atkinson."

"What? Neil Atkinson?"

Sebastian was stunned after hearing his words.



Sebastian's fists were clenched tight as he cursed in his heart.

Neil is outrageously greedy!

"What about this? Ten billion. An amount fitting for someone like you. I'm sure that won't be a problem, will it?"

The smile on Neil's face was as sly as a fox.

"You-"

Sebastian was close to exploding in anger.

Ten billion!

He wants ten billion!

The Morris Group is too greedy!

Simon was shaking in rage, but he could not do anything about it.

"Hm? Do you think your life isn't worth ten billion?"

Neil's expression changed as a murderous aura began to exude from him.

It made the hair on the back of Sebastian's neck stand up. He felt as if he was a rabbit watched by a fox.

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He knew Neil was warning him that if he could not fork out ten billion, he was as good as dead.

After looking at Simon for a moment, Sebastian relented.

"Alright. I'll give you ten billion, but you have to let me go."

Neil nodded. "No problem. As long as you give us exactly ten billion, it won't be worth it for us to take your crappy life."

"Pft-"

Sebastian nearly spat blood in the midst of his fury.

Not only was he blackmailed of ten billion, but he also had to endure humiliation.

"Simon, transfer the money to them now."

Swiftly, Simon and Elena transferred ten billion to the Morris Group.

Neil chuckled, "Mr. Lopez, you're welcome to visit us at North Hampton again. Thank you for your contribution."

Crash!

Sebastian stumbled and fell onto the floor.

He was at the worst moment of his life.

Sebastian had come to North Hampton with such grandeur and he left in three days.

The Black and White Guards were permanently left behind in North Hampton, and so was his ten billion.

The news quickly spread.

People from all parts of Quebec were shocked when they received the news.

Even Sebastian Lopez, Hades, was kicked out in such a sorry state?

Is North Hampton that horrifying of a place?

Haven't the three prominent figures in North Hampton collapse?

Is there another frightening presence in North Hampton?

More and more powerful families started observing in silence.

They had slowly come to realize that North Hampton, as great as it was, was not an easy piece of cake to get.

No one was capable of rising in North Hampton unless they were obedient to the rules and sincere in contributing to North Hampton. Otherwise, they would all end up like Sebastian Lopez.

This was Sebastian's greatest humiliation in life.

Everyone knew that Sebastian would not let the matter go.

One day, he would return to North Hampton to take his revenge.

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The one who had planned to take ten billion from Sebastian was naturally Levi.

"Sir, we have ten billion now. What do we do with it?" Kirin and Elena queried.

"Invest it all into North Hampton's development. Firstly, set up a foundation to allocate the funds to help those in need. Secondly, build more nursing homes, orphanages and free schools. Thirdly, invest the money in the poorer areas of North Hampton for its development, like their agricultural products," Levi instructed.

After listening, Kirin and Elena's eyes lit up.

Levi's mind was at a level that they could not dream of reaching.

They had thought that Levi would use the ten billion for the development of Morris Group.

Elena worriedly said, "Mr. Garrison, Sebastian would definitely come back. He's not one to take such losses quietly."

Levi huffed in laughter as he held onto his cigarette.

"That's great. It won't only be ten billion next time. Honestly, I hope idiots like Sebastian come more often. It's a great help for North Hampton's development."

"Pft-"

Kirin and Elena nearly spat blood when they heard his words.

If his words were heard by the prominent figures in South City, they might just die from a heart attack.

No one in North Hampton had thought that Sebastian would leave the place as disheveled as he was.

The one who benefited most from his departure was the Rogers family.

That night when they went against Sebastian, everyone had thought that it was the end for the Rogers family.

However, the loser turned out to be Sebastian.

After defeating Sebastian, the Rogers family and Morris Group's shares soared.

Now, both of them were the pillars of North Hampton.

On this day, Levi had just arrived in the company when Iris came to him.

"Quick. Prepare yourself. You have a press conference in a moment. Tidy yourself up to look livelier later."

Iris handed him a suit.

However, Levi did not wear it.

He did not see the need to.

Soon, the reporters arrived.

"Huh? Why is it you? Levi?"

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The pretty reporter was stunned as she blurted out her question.

Levi rubbed his eyes and took a good look at her.

Now, he remembered.

The pretty reporter in front of him was the young intern that joined North Hampton Television Network six years ago.

Back then, she had interviewed Morris and him.

Levi remembered that this young reporter was no honest woman.

Her attempts to seduce him had failed. She then tried to seduce Morris, but failed as well.

In the end, Levi reported her to her superior.

She was penalized, and her internship was canceled. From then on, she was blacklisted from the television station.

Yet, unexpectedly, she was still working in the station. It seemed like she was one of the older and experienced reporters in her company.

Indeed.

Back then, Margaret had been fired by the station after Levi's complaint.

However, Margaret slept with one of the persons-in-charge in the station, and managed to return to her post.

From then on, her career was smooth. Now, she was the golden child of the station and the most vital reporter there.

Furthermore, she was pretty and elegant. She was well-respected among her peers, and she was the ace of her company.

As Morris Group's development had been going fantastically, the television station assigned their ace to interview them.

Before coming, Margaret had been anxious.

After all, Morris Group was the main support of North Hampton.

She was worried about interviewing a company as large as the Morris Group.

At the same time, she wanted to become acquaintances with them.

It would be best if she could be acquaintances with Neil or the mysterious boss behind Morris Group.

Margaret had prepared stockings and some other items in her purse; she was ready to use her body to achieve her goal at any time.

Yet, she did not expect the interviewee to be Levi.

"Ms. Ward, this man is Levi Garrison. He's our company's representative for this interview," Iris' secretary introduced.

Margaret frowned and asked curiously, "Would you please tell me who Mr. Garrison is?"

"Oh, he's the technical adviser. I don't know why Ms. Anabelle assigned him as the representative for the interview. Honestly, I think he's the least qualified. If it were up to me, I'd rather send a security guard or a janitor," Iris' secretary whispered her complaints into Margaret's ears.

"If Ms. Ward isn't happy about the situation, I can suggest to Ms. Anabelle to have someone more important to come for the interview," the secretary suggested.

Margaret smiled. "No need. I'm alright with him."

"Very well. Please begin, Ms. Ward. You can look for me if there are any problems."

After the secretary left, Margaret looked at Levi from head to toe.

"Levi, you must not have thought of a day that we'll meet again like this, have you? I didn't think you'll still be in the Levi Group," Margaret mocked.

Levi chuckled, "And I didn't think you'll still be working at North Hampton Television Station. Weren't you fired?"

The cameraman at the side sneered, "Please be mindful of your words. Ms. Ward is the ace of our station. She's the best reporter we've got."

Margaret gleefully smiled at Levi.

"How did you do that? Did you..."

A look of surprise emerged on Levi's face.

"You-"

Knowing what Levi was about to say, Margaret trembled in rage.

"I got to where I am with my own talents. I'm not like a certain someone, who I've heard was earning a living by pulling a little strings here and there. Apparently, he's much more useless than the guards and the janitors. That's true. After all, you were just released from prison. It's a miracle that you even have a job," Margaret ridiculed.

The other staff on sight could not help but say, "Ms. Ward, isn't the Morris Group too much? They sent an ex-convict for us to interview. They're obviously looking down on us!"

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"That's right. We won't conduct an interview like this. Let's go back."

An evil thought popped in Margaret's mind, and she laughed, "No, no. We have to continue the interview. The Morris Group is North Hampton's top company. They're not looking down on us."

"Get ready, Levi. We're starting the interview now," Margaret announced.

"Sure."

Although he despised this woman, he had to continue with the interview.

Otherwise, he would not know how to explain to Iris.

When the camera started rolling, Margaret presented herself in the perfect way she always did. That was the professionalism she had honed throughout the years.

After introducing the interview while facing the camera, she started interviewing Levi. "Mr. Levi Garrison, I heard that you were jailed on the charges of adultery. Is that true?" Without any changes in expression, Levi nodded. "Yes." "Was your jail term six years?" "That's right." "When were you released from jail?" "Three months ago." "I heard that you entered the Morris Group by pulling strings after your release?" "Who was the one who got you into the company?" "As Levi Group's ex-president, how do you feel working in the company that used to be yours?" "I heard that your private life is a mess, and you were interested in your sister-in-law. Is that true?"

The staff at the station was dumbfounded just after the interview started.

The questions that Margaret was asking Levi were not the same as the ones in the script.

Originally, the interview would be about Morris Group's future developments, but every question Margaret asked was in relation to Levi.

Moreover, every question was ruthless and a personal attack on him.

Margaret's sinister intentions were obvious to Levi.

However, if he did not take the interview obediently, Iris would definitely complain about him again.

Therefore, he answered every question Margaret asked.

Half an hour later, the interview ended.

Margaret immediately dropped the professional smile from her face.

"Levi, are you pleasantly surprised? After all, you'll be on television soon," Margaret asked with a smile.

Then, she asked the others to leave the room.

"Levi, you never expected this, did you? Not only was I not fired, but I'm also doing well at North Hampton Television Station. Are you angry? Let me tell you this- Morris and you are insolent fools. I was kind to give you a chance back then, but you were ungrateful, and you even reported me to my superior! Did it do anything? Crushing you now is simple for someone of my status. It's easy to ruin your reputation."

Margaret stared at Levi with gloating eyes.

Levi chuckled, "The road you're on is a short one. Karma is around the corner."

He knew with a glance that Margaret must have climbed the ranks by sleeping with the superiors.

"Hmph. Is that so? It's been years, and I'm still doing fine. Also, I'll be going to South City Television Station next."

The gloating look was still in Margaret's eyes.

Levi gave her a meaningful smile. "Is that so? You won't be able to go there."

"Levi, I still remember you reporting me six years ago. Now, let me tell you this. I'll definitely take my revenge. Just you wait!"

At that, Margaret left the conference room.

However, she did not leave the building.

In the name of collecting materials for the interview, she started wandering around the Morris Group's office.

She handed her contact number whenever she met male executives.

In the end, she went to Iris.

"Ms. Anabelle, will I get the chance to meet the Morris Group's boss or Mr. Atkinson today?" Margaret inquired.