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"Are you actually going to be a bodyguard for the green-eyed boy with the long eyelashes?"

Quinton just received the labor contract from Bailey, but the well-informed Michael already found out and immediately questioned him face-to-face.

Quinton replied, "I'm working undercover next to Bailey to find the three apricot seeds."

Michael looked at him suspiciously. Then, he took a look at his labor contract.

Wow, that's a pretty high pay for a part-time bodyguard. Are you sure you're not being Bailey's bodyguard for the sake of making money and adding a d*ck to your body like Dana?

Michael knew him well. The Phantom Wolf has gone bankrupt long ago and all the members have left the organization. They were the organization with the most brutal killers because of stimulants. But also because of stimulants, the organization completely crumbled to the ground. They no longer have fake drugs to sell and I have confisticated all their illegal gains. Quinton is now broke.

The salary of a teacher in Bayside University who is still under probation is pretty low. He is now conducting live lectures online and he even borrows my car to drive people around to earn money. He is pretty hardworking and pitiful.

Compared to online lectures and driving people around, the salary of being Bailey's bodyguard is indeed higher. Well, I should just let him be. According to his income, he will probably need a few years to earn the amount of money needed for the operation. For the next few years, he will be busy earning money the honest way. It is better for him to have a decent job than idle around.

With that, Quinton became Bailey's personal bodyguard. He would go to work after he finished teaching at Bayside University every day. Quinton even had to conduct live online lectures on holidays, so he was an extremely busy man.

After the summer vacation of Bayside University started, Quinton started working at the Adams Group full time.

Ever since Tiffany was kicked out by Bailey, almost all of the board of directors were controlled by this 15 year-old president. The pressure he faced was unprecedented.

While Bailey's peers were anxious about high school, he was already in charge of a big company and the livelihoods of tens of thousands of people. Naturally, more and more people wanted him dead.

Bailey knew this so he had increased the number of bodyguards; Quinton was one of them. In Bailey's eyes, Quinton was the perfect bodyguard. After all, the Fletcher family had a reputation in Bayside City. Moreover, Quinton was a retired killer who had turned good, so most killers wouldn't be able to defeat him.

Quinton also occasionally returned to Michael's place to bring him the latest news of the Adams Group.

With Cooper's help, Tiffany had a chance to take control of the Adams Group again. There were rumors that Tiffany had an abortion for Cooper's sake and that in order to repay her, Cooper promised to help her regain her position in Adams Group. However, there was no news about the three apricot seeds. Bailey hid it well.

A few days later, Quinton told Michael that Tiffany had fully recovered and Cooper had appeared with her at a branch of Adams Group. Tiffany was still on the board of directors and a shareholder. Her grand return had caused a huge sensation in Adams Group, but Quinton still had no news about the three apricot seeds.

Two months laters, Quinton came over again. He told Michael that there were rumors circulating in the Adams Group that Cooper and Tiffany were engaged. Furthermore, with Cooper's help, Tiffany was working hard and gradually taking back control of the Adams Group. She was also secretly lobbying the support of other senior executives. Because of this, Bailey was under a lot of pressure and only slept two to three hours a day. He was so anxious that his eyelashes were falling out.

"What about the apricot seeds?"

Michael didn't care whether the green-eyed boy was losing his eyelashes. He was only concerned about the apricot seeds.

Quinton helplessly said, "Your father-in-law and his fiancée are making your future son-in-law so anxious that he is about to go bald. How can you only be concerned about those three apricot seeds?!"

Michael was so furious, his face darkened. Seeing this, Quinton trembled in fear and left in a hurry. Sophia, who was standing at the side, had the same expression as Michael.

She was not mad about the three apricot seeds. After all, it was not a big deal for children to exchange small gifts with each other. She was mad about the fact that Cooper and Tiffany were probably going to announce to the public that they were a couple. Sophia was also furious that Cooper was cheating on Anna.

It seems that I have underestimated that scheming old hag. Being pregnant with Cooper's children was not her ultimate goal. If she really did it because she wanted to have Cooper's children, she could have just hired a surrogate. With her age and body, she couldn't give birth at all, let alone give birth to a pair of twins. She was doomed to lose her babies from the beginning, but she still did it without any hesitation. That is because her goal is not to be pregnant, but to obtain Cooper's attention and pity through miscarriage. Sure enough, she succeeded.

Right now, Cooper visits Tiffany from time to time and even appears in Adams Group together with her. This means that he is on her side and he is showing the people at Adams Group that he will support Tiffany and help her win. Moreover, he lent her a lot of money.

That old hag!!!

Sophia was so enraged, she stomped around the room. Meanwhile, Michael was also walking around anxiously.

Cooper and that old hag won't be able to build a family anyways. Tiffany can't give birth anymore and she's old. At most, she probably wants to use Cooper's influence to regain her position in Adams Group.

Cooper is a wise man. He wasn't tricked into sleeping with Tiffany even after twenty years, so it will be the same for the next twenty years.

However, those three apricot seeds... Quinton said that other than taking a shower and exercising, Bailey carries those three apricot seeds everywhere with him. Even when taking

a shower and playing basketball, he would leave the apricot seeds with the person he trusts the most for safekeeping.

Bailey values those three apricot seeds so much, he treats it like a precious treasure. He even cleans them regularly. It seems like a serious problem! Oh no... I will not let Carmen marry that green-eyed boy with long lashes who looks sad all the time!

Sophia and Michael were in two different worlds, worrying about two different things.

Sophia had been in contact with Callum. 'Is your dad in love with someone else?'

'My mom is in a bad mood. I asked her yesterday and she told me that she hasn't been in contact with your father for more than three months. I'm positive that your father doesn't love her anymore.'

'It's over. Your father and mother are about to break up. You are going to be an orphan that nobody wants.'

Sophia read through Callum's messages repeatedly and her face darkened.

Cooper visits Tiffany every day, takes care of her and goes out in public with her like a couple. He even publicly sides with her. It's natural for Anna to be upset after finding out about this. Perhaps this is the reason Jordan willingly gave Cooper's sperm to Tiffany. He wanted her to use her to tear Anna and Cooper apart. After all, Anna's publicly-known fiancé is Jordan and Cooper is just a man she is having an affair with. However, Jordan has wives from all over the world; whether or not Anna has an affair doesn't matter anymore. The weird love triangle that they're in has too much hatred involved, and they can no longer be judged by general ethics.

Late at night, Cooper returned home, looking extremely exhausted.

"Dad." As soon as he entered the house, he saw Sophia sitting on the sofa, waiting for him.

It was late autumn so it was chilly in the room. Sophia was already wearing velvet pajamas.

Cooper nodded as he removed his jacket and hung it on the clothes rack. He sounded tired as he spoke. Cooper seemed to be really busy lately, but he still walked over to show his concern for Sophia. "The temperature has dropped today. Are you cold? Are your clothes thick enough to keep you warm?"

As he spoke, he squeezed her pajamas and felt rest assured after he made sure it was thick. Then, he continued to nag at her. "What about long johns? You have to remember to wear long johns too!"

He was both a father and a mother to Sophia. Other than giving Sophia care and advice at work, he also took care and gave attention to Sophia's daily life. Whether or not Sophia wore long johns was also under his jurisdiction.

With an upset expression, Sophia asked, "Dad, are you going to marry Tiffany?"

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Cooper replied, "You shouldn't interfere with adults' affairs. I know what to do."

He knows what to do? Perhaps dad really has his own arrangements.

"Then what about mom? Are you going to continue to make her feel wronged?" Sophia hurriedly asked.

It's like a scene in a romance drama. The male lead has to pair up with the second female lead for many reasons and has to deliberately show affection in front of the female lead, making the female lead feel sad. The two lead characters love each other but they have no choice but to hurt one another.

Right now, Cooper is the male lead, Anna is the female lead, and naturally, the vicious second female lead is Tiffany.

Anna must be really upset right now. I never thought that Cooper would get involved in this sort of thing.

With a smile, Cooper replied, "Darling, you won't understand how adults do things."

How could I bear to see the woman I love suffer?

Perhaps Cooper is planning something and doesn't want to tell me and drag me into it.

After Tiffany came out of confinement, she went back to Europe a few times. Then, she stayed in Bayside City and even settled in the Edwards residence in Riverdale.

There used to be a place Sophia would visit during the holidays, but after Cooper's return, some members of the Mitchell family started to live there.

Riverdale had developed rapidly over the years and many members of the Mitchell family set up companies there. They used to live in the suburbs which were full of alleys. It was inconvenient for them to get in and out of work, which was why many Mitchell family members moved to the Edwards residence in Riverdale.

Tiffany also moved into Edwards residence recently and she even slept in the room that used to belong to Cooper. Even some of the members in the Mitchell family said that Cooper and Tiffany were about to get married soon. After all, Tiffany had a miscarriage because of Cooper.

The word 'miscarriage' seemed to have a power to suggest a beautiful and charming story, as if Cooper had done something to Tiffany. But in reality, he had done nothing of the sort.

Even though Sophia didn't know what was going on between Cooper and Tiffany, she could tell that Tiffany was confident.

If Tiffany really got together with Cooper, she would make sure that Sophia suffered.

After giving it some thought, Sophia called Anna. She almost never took the initiative to call her, but at that moment, she felt that something must have happened between Anna and Cooper. As their concerned daughter, I must find out what's going on.

After retrieving Anna's private number from Cooper's phone, she soon made the call.

"Hello?"

Hearing Anna's gentle voice from the other end of the phone, Sophia suddenly felt nervous and didn't know what to say.

Although she was almost thirty, she still longed for maternal love and wished that she could have a mother that cared for her. However, whenever she faced Anna, she didn't know how to express her longing and didn't know how to communicate with her. Sophia used to really

like Anna, but then various things had happened that made her feelings for Anna complicated.

She indeed is the perfect mother. Not only is she gentle and kind, but she also has wisdom and ambition that is not inferior to men.

Sophia stayed silent for a long time but Anna could already guess who it was. "Sophia, is that you?"

Sophia briefly replied, "Hi... Mom..."

After dating Cooper, Anna found out that she used to be Annabel. It was the first time Sophia called her 'mom'. Sophia felt awkward but was also afraid that Anna would think she was rude.

Anna sounded like she was smiling as she replied, "I have something to deal with right now. We'll talk later."

She seemed to be really busy and she was walking in a hurry while she was on the phone. Sophia could even hear the short and rapid sounds of her heels clicking on the ground.

As soon as Anna finished talking, she hung up the phone.

After a long silence on the phone, Sophia was still in a daze.

I wanted to tell her that Cooper didn't betray her... However, Anna seems to not care at all. It seems that they have a bigger plan but Tiffany has already moved into Riverdale. Living in the Edwards residence is definitely not her goal. Her ultimate goal is to slowly move into Cooper's bedroom in The Imperial, and into his heart. As for Cooper, it seems that his relationship with Tiffany has improved because of the child. Tiffany has even started to visit The Imperial from time to time. Every time she comes, she walks around freely, as if she is the owner of the house.

Tiffany came again that day. They made some good food to entertain their friends to celebrate Plum Technology's new achievements, but they didn't expect Tiffany to come. Things got a little awkward and everyone at the table felt uncomfortable, except for Tiffany, of course. She was the most comfortable. Sitting next to Cooper, she spoke to him lovingly and leaned close to him, just like she used to. Even Stanley, who was usually really chatty and never shut up, was quiet.

Probably because she felt that she had been pregnant with Cooper's child, she felt closer to him and was even more brazen than before. Tiffany even occasionally wiped Cooper's lips intimately.

Quinton had also come over that day. During the meal, he looked down at his food as he ate and didn't look up even once. He didn't want to take a single look at the disgusting couple.

Quinton planned to leave as soon as he finished dinner, but Carmen suddenly hugged his thigh and refused to let him leave. Seeing this, Quinton chose to stay for the night. His work schedule was really full recently not because he had a lot of classes to teach at the university, but because he spent most of his time working for Bailey.

Unexpectedly, after he finished dinner and went outside to smoke, he heard Tiffany's voice from behind him.

"I heard that you have been working as Bailey's bodyguard lately."

Quinton blew a smoke ring before he turned around to glance at Tiffany. Tiffany knew about his identity. After hearing her words, Quinton replied with a nod.

When he was a killer, his biggest financiers were owners of big organizations like Tiffany.

Tiffany pulled out a check and said, "Fill in any amount you want. I want you... to kill that kid for me."

When Tiffany spoke, there was a sinister look on her face. It's easier to hire one of Bailey's men to kill him.

However, Quinton didn't even take a glance at the cheque. He casually blew another smoke ring and said, "Find someone else. I have given up that life. I now teach people and work as a bodyguard for a living. I don't accept tasks like that anymore."

Tiffany chuckled and said sarcastically, "Are you telling me that Phantom Wolf, the number one killer in the world, has retired from killing? What a joke."

Holding a cigarette between his fingers, Quinton took a puff lightly and with a calm expression, he replied, "I'm sure that you already know that the Phantom Wolf is gone. I'm just an ordinary man with an ordinary life now. I don't kill anymore."

Tiffany snorted and put the check back into her pocket. "You want to lead an ordinary life? Have you asked the dead souls that you killed?"

Quinton didn't say anything. Tiffany knew that a killer would always be a killer, and it was impossible for them to stop killing.

She turned around but unexpectedly, before the sarcastic smile on her face disappeared, she heard Quinton's voice from behind her.

"Miss Tiffany, shouldn't you ask yourself the same question? The people you have killed are no less than me, but you can still sleep peacefully. You even want to pursue a happy life. Why can't !?"

Tiffany seemed to dismiss it until she heard Quinton say, "Have you ever dreamt about the couple that was burned alive by a killer you hired every night before you fell asleep? Not only do you have to see them in your dreams, but every day after you wake up, you have to face their 15 year-old son... Tiffany, you're almost fifty, and your time is running out. I suggest you save your energy to do some yoga, b*tch!"

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B*tch?!

When Tiffany heard this, she clenched her teeth and turned around to glare at Quinton. She saw that Quinton was still smoking. Under the dim light, the smoke in the air swirled around him, looking as if a thin veil was covering his face.

In the end, Tiffany chose not to argue with him.

So what if he doesn't want to take the job? There are plenty of other assassins in Bayside City that will take it.

Tiffany slept in the guest room that night. Naturally, Cooper wasn't in the same room as her.

Cooper was the only one sleeping on the third floor, and there was only one elevator and one secret stairwell to access the third floor. Sophia had set a passcode for the elevator and she wouldn't tell Tiffany about it. She was determined to not let her go upstairs to disturb Cooper.

At 10 at night, Sophia lay in bed and thought about Anna and Cooper. All of a sudden, she turned around and asked Michael, who was lying next to her, and asked, "If dad really married Tiffany, what should I do?"

Michael's eyes were wide open and he was awake.

If Cooper really marries Tiffany, I will be pretty happy about it because Cooper will definitely help Tiffany regain control of Adams Group and kick that green-eyed boy away. In that case, Bailey won't be able to disturb Carmen... But there is only one benefit. The rest is all bad.

My original mother-in-law is better than Tiffany but she is not easy to deal with either... The recent events are making me doubt Cooper. Is he really reliable? I have to leave soon. Sophia has the ability to take care of herself, but I'm still worried. If I can't rely on Cooper to care for her, who else can I trust? Who will take care of my wife and daughter when I'm gone? I have made the decision to leave, but these matters are holding me back.

The injection that I had still hurts a little. I had another dose of the detoxification antidote today. It seems that I have been getting injections more frequently lately. The health of my body is slowly deteriorating. I don't even know how long I can hold on...

"Let's go to sleep. Stop overthinking things," he replied as he rolled over and hugged her.

Sophia was still dissatisfied and she rambled on, but Michael didn't say anything. He just held her in his arms and enjoyed the alone time the two of them had.

A while later, Sophia didn't hear any noise so she thought that Michael had fallen asleep. She slowly got out of bed and went to Carmen's room.

Carmen went to sleep early every day. Even though she was young, she already learned the importance of having beauty sleep and was determined to not go to bed late.

Sophia tucked the quilt for her and took away the puppy that was sleeping on her bed.

Carmen seems to really like this puppy lately. She even hugs it to sleep.

Later, Sophia left the room with the puppy in her arms. She lightly closed Carmen's bedroom door when she suddenly heard Tiffany's voice.

"Sophia, you're still awake."

She turned her head around and saw that Tiffany was standing not far away behind her. She was wearing sexy pajamas.

No matter what she wears, no clothing can hide the curvy figure she was born with.

After Tiffany had a miscarriage, she started chasing after Cooper again, and her relationship with Sophia seemed to be less tensed. She even started to try to get close to Sophia. However, Sophia was not interested in chatting. She coldly replied, "Yes. I'm here to check on my child."

When she said this, she looked at Tiffany vigilantly. As expected, when she mentioned the word 'child', Tiffany immediately froze. She used to have three children—her first child, Betsy, had been stabbed by Sophia, and Sophia had watched her have a miscarriage and lose her other two children.

As a mother, Tiffany's experience could be regarded as the most tragic in the world, but she only had herself to blame.

Tiffany soon came back to her senses and with a smile, she said to Sophia, "We're going to be a family soon. You're going to be my child. You should be happy about it."

Then, she suddenly waved her hand and Sophia saw that there was a strange bracelet on her wrist. It looked like a tiny remote control.

"When Cooper and I get married, I'll send you a great gift. You'll definitely like it."

Marry Cooper? Why is she so confident? Cooper doesn't have feelings for her at all.

Sophia pouted her lips. She didn't care about the gift at all and she replied, "Thanks."

With that, she turned around and entered her bedroom. Her handsome husband was waiting for her to get in bed and she didn't want to waste time talking to Tiffany.

The next day, Tiffany left after eating lunch at Sophia's house. Even though she wanted to stick close to Cooper all day, she had a lot of matters to deal with. Tiffany wanted to regain control of Adams Group and everything that belonged to her.

During the time she was grieving for her daughter and her time in confinement after her miscarriage, Bailey had taken the opportunity to frantically remove the people in Adams Group who worked for her. He had done it quickly and ruthlessly, and it had lowered Tiffany's status in the family business. She had to regain her power as soon as possible and Cooper was there to help her.

Quinton came back often and he brought them the latest news. Every time Sophia heard the updates, she got a little worried about Bailey.

Tiffany and Cooper are both adults. Is it really fair for both of them to go against a 15-year-old child together? It is an internal matter of Adams Group, so is it appropriate for an outsider like him to interfere? Oh well, children do not understand grown-up matters.

Winter had passed and autumn came. The air was crisp and the sun shone bright. Sophia hurriedly gathered the whole family to go for a short trip but unexpectedly, for many reasons, the luxury weekend farm tour turned into a half-day tour of the Bayside University football stadium.

The sunlight was warm that day. Sophia spread out the mat and laid out the food with her husband and child.

At first, she thought Michael wouldn't be able to join them, but he came. Lately, he would accompany Sophia and Carmen whenever he had free time and didn't go anywhere else. Michael even started to let Sophia participate in Asco International's business affairs.

It seemed as if he wanted to enjoy a taste of retirement.

It's time for me to slow down. I have worked too hard and too fast when I was young. I should take a break before getting back to work.

Michael grabbed a swivel peeler and peeled an apple for Carmen. As soon as he finished peeling the apple and handed it to Carmen, Quinton and Bailey appeared out of the blue.

Michael was surprised. Then, he saw Sophia wave at them. "We're here! Both of you are two minutes late."

Hearing this, Michael was stunned. Bailey is here because Sophia invited him? I can't believe she secretly invited Bailey!

Bailey was wearing a cold expression and he was dressed in a sweatshirt. Even though it was autumn, he was only wearing one layer of clothes and his hair was pulled back with a sports headband. Quinton, who was walking behind him, was also dressed in sportswear with a basketball in his hand.

When Carmen saw Bailey, she raised the apple that Michael had peeled for her and yelled, "Bailey, have an apple!"

Michael once again hovered over the both of them. Bailey declined the apple that Carmen gave him because he could already sense Michael's sullen gaze. After all, Bailey was an observant boy.

Sophia had invited him over today to talk about things. Seeing that Tiffany and Cooper were about to get married, Sophia couldn't bear it anymore, and neither could Bailey.

The two of them had to discuss how to stop Cooper and Tiffany. In the end, Bailey accepted the fruit that Sophia peeled and under Michael's vicious glare, he calmly took a bite.

While eating, the two of them started talking.

"Knowing Tiffany, this is definitely not her only option. I'm sure she has other backup plans," Bailey said with a solemn expression.

Tiffany actually took a great risk to get pregnant this time and it was out of my expectations. This b*tch is much more cunning than I thought...

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The fight between Bailey and Tiffany had been going on for a long time, so Bailey knew Tiffany very well.

Knowing Tiffany, she would never forcefully give birth to Cooper's children. The risks were too high, even if she really loves Cooper to the degree that can be considered perverted.

She might be willing to risk her life for him, but it only applies to critical moments. Giving birth to Cooper's children is not crucial. Furthermore, Cooper already has children of his own. Tiffany knows that she can't give birth, yet she still got herself pregnant anyway. I can't figure out what she is planning. Is it possible that she did it because she lost her patience from waiting for over twenty years and wants to go all out?

Bailey made a list of Tiffany's possible intentions in his head as he gradually tried to guess her plan. One of them was...

"You should be extra careful of Tiffany. See if she's doing anything strange. That b*tch will never give up so easily."

Bailey was still wearing a solemn expression on his face and he was frowning hard. Meanwhile, Michael was peeking at his eyelashes.

Didn't Quinton say that Bailey is so stressed that his eyelashes are falling out? Bullsh*t.

Michael hurriedly hugged Carmen tight as he tried his best to distance Carmen and Bailey. However, Carmen leaned close to Bailey and stared straight at the three apricot seeds that Bailey was wearing.

All of a sudden, Carmen asked, "Daddy, what does b*tch mean?"

After giving it some thought, Michael replied, "That's a bad word. Children shouldn't say things like that."

I didn't expect Bailey, a foreigner, to be able to speak Bayside City's slang fluently. The Adams family members probably share a Cethosian teacher.

Unexpectedly, Carmen said to Bailey. "Bailey, dad said that b*tch is a bad word. You shouldn't say that."

Hearing this, Bailey was speechless.

Ever since he arrived, he had been trying his best to not speak to Carmen. Michael's vicious glare really scared him. Furthermore, he was a child too. He didn't want to date and he wasn't a lolicon, but Carmen kept trying to have a conversation with him.

"Bailey, do you want some oranges?"

"Bailey, are you thirsty?"

"Do you want to pet my dog?"

However, Bailey kept ignoring her. Later, Carmen puffed in anger and looked aggrieved. Meanwhile, Sophia was thinking about what Bailey just said.

That b*tch definitely has something up her sleeves!

After they returned home, Sophia contacted Sean. "Sean, find out what you can about that b*tch Tiffany. I'm positive that she has other plans."

Sean soon replied to her. Unfortunately, Tiffany hid her intentions very well and it was hard for him to find out what she was planning.

Tiffany was really active. She had rejoined the Adams family and Cooper was helping her. Meanwhile, Sophia and Michael secretly helped Bailey. After all, they were all in Cethos. This brand new market was the main battlefield of their fight, which was why the both of them started contesting for this market.

The both of them each found their own allies and it was hard to tell who was winning.

Lately, Cooper was often gone and nobody knew where he went. It was as if he was planning something huge.

As for Michael, he was making preparations for his departure.

He knew his health best so he knew that his body was approaching a critical point. The sooner he entered cryogenic sleep, the better. However, there were things holding him back and he couldn't bear to leave.

Tiffany is pushing to be Cooper's wife right now. If she really gets married to Cooper, she will make sure Sophia and Carmen's lives become a living hell. I'm afraid that Cooper will be deceived and chooses to neglect his daughter and granddaughter. Cooper may have another child in the future and Linus will build his own family. They will focus their attention on their families. When that happens, who will take care of Sophia and Carmen?

On the day Michael was leaving, Sophia was working in the office and Carmen was in kindergarten. He packed a small luggage and headed to the airport. There would be a special plane to take him to Africa and he would enter cryogenic sleep there.

Unfortunately, he didn't see Sophia for one last time.

I don't know when I'll see her again. I don't even know whether I will wake up and see Sophia and Carmen again. Everything is unknown. Perhaps I'll be like Theo. When I wake up, the world would have changed and the people I love may already be long gone. This seems to be my destiny. There is no other way.

Cooper and Linus were there to send him off.

Michael glanced around his house reluctantly, hugged Celine's child, and petted the dogs.

Judge seemed to sense that he was leaving. His ears drooped because of the sad atmosphere. After all, Michael had been taking care of Judge for many years so Judge bit Michael's trouser leg, not willing to let him go.

Michael looked at the people around him but unfortunately, the person he wanted to see the most wasn't there. Nobody told Sophia about the fact that Michael was about to enter cryogenic sleep, and Carmen didn't know either. All they knew was that Michael would be abroad for a long time. A while later, there would be rumors that he was dating a female star and they would have a divorce.

He had made all the arrangements. Sophia would be disappointed in Michael, but she would forget about him and go on with her life with Carmen.

Gradually, Michael would completely disappear from her world. She would find someone new and continue to be a carefree girl.

It was Cooper who decided Michael's time of departure. He knew Michael's situation, and if they continued delaying it, his health would worsen. At that moment, he had no choice but to be the bad guy. He didn't even give Michael and Sophia a chance to say their goodbyes.

"Hurry up, it's time to leave. After you arrive, enter cryogenic sleep as soon as possible. I will take good care of Sophia and Carmen on your behalf."

It was rare for Cooper to be soft on Michael.

Michael looked at the people around him one last time but unfortunately, Carmen and Sophia weren't there. Only Celine's daughter was crying with her arms around his thigh.

Celine thought that Michael was just leaving for work. With a smile, she said, "Mikey, remember to bring back some souvenirs!"

Michael nodded with tears in his eyes. In the end, he turned around and left. Theo and him were headed to Michel Medical Technology Company's headquarters in Africa.

Michael had left in the afternoon so when Sophia returned home at night, it was almost time for him to get on the plane.

The atmosphere around the dinner table was pretty depressing but Sophia and Carmen didn't seem to notice. Carmen even wanted to call Michael, but she gave up when she found out that he couldn't talk on the phone in the plane. The others didn't say much.

Everyone knew that they were gone forever, except Sophia herself. However, she would find out about everything sooner or later.

Before she finished her dinner, Sophia suddenly got a call from Sean.

Nobody knew what Sean said but after Sophia finished listening to him, she jumped out of her seat in shock. "What the f*ck?!"

At the same time, Cooper also received the news. Tiffany had given birth to a son whose father was Cooper, and that boy had arrived in Bayside City!

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"How is it possible that my father had a baby with Tiffany? Didn't she have a miscarriage?" Sophia asked Sean. In a panicked tone, Sean hurriedly explained everything to her.

After hearing what he said, Sophia became really solemn. At the same time, Cooper received a similar call.

He was much more upset than Sophia was.

I can't believe Tiffany gave birth to my baby! No, to be exact, she didn't give birth to my children. She did the IVF and found a surrogate while also getting herself pregnant. She knew that she wouldn't be able to give birth, but she still got pregnant to distract everyone's attention.

Tiffany knew that as long as her children were still fetuses, even Cooper would be unreliable. Perhaps he would have even secretly make her have a miscarriage, so she had prepared a backup plan.

She had gotten pregnant to distract everyone while secretly engaging a surrogate. Now, the surrogate had delivered a healthy baby boy to her. The baby had arrived in Bayside City and Tiffany was about to take the child to meet Cooper.

Cooper suddenly had a son. In the end, he still became a father to a newborn baby.

A lively baby boy was different from a fetus. Sophia could do everything to make Tiffany have a miscarriage, but she couldn't lay hands on a child.

Just then, the doorbell rang.

"It's Tiffany!"

Sophia immediately threw her phone onto the couch in anger.

That b*tch is shameless. How can she do such a thing? Now that she's bringing the baby to meet Cooper, Cooper once again becomes a father. I'm afraid that old hag has Cooper trapped. So this was what she had been planning all along.

"I'll go meet that old hag!" Sophia stood up furiously and stormed to the door.

Doesn't she feel shame?! That b*tch! Unexpectedly, when she opened the door, she realized it wasn't Tiffany at the door, but Theo and Michael.

"Huh? Didn't you leave?" Sophia asked in surprise, but no one answered. Instead, she was greeted with a passionate kiss.

"Mmhh..."

The unexpected fierce kiss made her dizzy. Cooper also thought Tiffany had come but when he went out, he saw Theo enter the house with a suitcase in hand and a blank expression.

Michael, who was supposed to be on the plane, was kissing Sophia.

Seeing this, Cooper thought that it was unexpected but reasonable. It was as if he had foreseen it.

He came back after all.

"Why are you back?"

As the couple kissed passionately in the background, the two old men exchanged a few words.

When Theo entered the house, Carmen hurriedly grabbed a pair of slippers for her grandfather while Justin took the suitcase from Theo. Rubbing Carmen's head, Theo replied, "Air traffic control reported that the fog is too thick and the wind is too fierce today, so we came back."

The plane could still fly if they wanted to leave, but Michael didn't want to leave.

The research and development progress of the antidote had reached 80%, and clinical trials were under way.

They had invested a lot of money in the dental stem cells project and it was developing rapidly. Moreover, Quinton and Theo were two healthy, living organ banks that were on standby. There were infinite dangers in the future and nobody knew how things would go, but they already had several backup plans to deal with countless possibilities.

Even though cryogenic sleep was the safest bet and nobody would die or lose an organ, it was not the only thing that mattered.

Cryogenic sleep would cause Michael to suffer the greatest loss. For Michael, every second he couldn't be with Sophia under the same blue sky was a great loss. Cryogenic sleep would be a waste of his life.

Even if his health was deteriorating, he would rather spend the limited time he had to give her all of his love.

After Michael was done kissing his wife, he let go of her. Sophia was so dizzy from the kiss, she could hardly think and was seeing stars.

"Didn't you say that you were going abroad for a business trip? Why are you back?"

Even though Sophia seemed to have vaguely heard Theo say the reason, she asked again.

Changing his shoes, Michael said, "Air traffic control stopped us from flying, so we couldn't leave."

After answering Sophia hastily, Michael held her warm hand and walked into the living room. In this world, the coldest thing was ice and the warmest thing was her hands.

The trip to the airport had been the hardest moment of Michael's life. It felt even worse than waiting for an execution.

He was afraid that time would fly by so quickly that he wouldn't have enough time to reminisce about his short past before he had to face his unknown fate. At the same time, he was afraid that time would pass too slowly, and that every second for him would be pure torture.

On the way to his unknown fate, Michael had thought about his life. He was scared and terrified, but death was not what he feared. It was the separation of life and death instead.

In the end, he had decided to go home. Holding Sophia's warm hand, all of his fear and horror instantly disappeared. With her by his side, he felt endless courage and drive.

If he had to make a choice between his life and Sophia, he was willing to use the rest of his life to be with her!

Theo was very supportive of Michael's choice. If Michael's health can't fully recover and his organs fail, I'll give him mine. He can take all of it if he wants. I don't need them anyway. If any of his organs fail, we'll find new ones to replace them. Michael is wealthy anyways. If my organs don't work, we'll search the world to find a suitable match. We'll definitely find one! Cryogenic sleep is the safest bet, but it is also the riskiest.

Although he can stay alive, the biggest risk is the unknown. Nobody knows what he'll lose while he's in cryogenic sleep, and nobody knows what he'll see when he walks out from the cryosleep chamber...

Which was why the two of them came back. Sophia had no idea that she had just gone through a possible separation. After Michael entered the house, she peeked out of the door and glanced at the surveillance monitors to make sure that Tiffany wasn't there.

"That shameless old hag!"

Sophia continued cursing as she ate her dinner. She was even more agitated than Cooper. After all, she had seen how Tiffany raised her children. When her son grows up, he will certainly be like Betsy. I can stab Betsy with a knife, but that child is hard to deal with.

Sophia rambled on indignantly. Linus occasionally threw in some comments while Michael remained silent the whole time. His eyes kept wandering between the dinner table and Sophia's bowl. As soon as he saw that it was empty, he immediately added some food into her bowl.

Sitting next to her and listening to her talk, Michael felt that even her breathing sounded sweet.

The atmosphere around the table that night was unusually somber.

One reason was because Cooper had a newborn child, and the other was because Michael had made his decision.

After dinner, Cooper asked Michael to head to the study.

"Why did you change your mind?" Cooper asked.

Michael sat down and Cooper poured him a cup of tea. The two of them usually bickered with each other and rarely sat down to discuss things in such a calm manner.

Michael took a sip of tea before he replied, "After giving it some thought, I realized that it wasn't the best choice for her."