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Davin couldn't help but heave a sigh.Will Sheila grab the papers and scream at me one day to settle the scores?Well, that will be exciting!

Meanwhile, Nicole and Evan had a good time traveling in Lisanthos for a couple of days. He was cheerful to see the joyful smiles on her face.

He thought that the happiest thing on earth was to make his wife happy and all smiling. After all, he would be delighted as long as his wife was happy.

"Nicole, do you like this place very much?"

Nicole nodded and replied, "The scenery here is beautiful and looks like the peaceful world in a painting... We can see flowers everywhere, breezy rivers, and clean stone roads. I mean, the hustle and bustle of the outside world seem to have been isolated from here. So, I even feel cleaner spiritually, as if I'm a character in the painting. Whenever I close my eyes, I can breathe in the fresh air which makes me feel comfortable and free."

On the other hand, Evan squinted and smiled when Nicole was explaining how she loved the place. After a while, he asked gently, "If you really love this place, why don't we stay in this city for a few more days?"

She thought about his suggestion for a brief moment, Nicole soon agreed happily.

When Evan took her into his arms, their eyes met with affection. At this moment, the surroundings looked like a peaceful yet lively painting, and they were like the main characters who embellished the entire street.

When they returned to the hotel at night, Evan specially ordered Nicole's favorite dishes and took them to their room with a tray.

"Why did you take the dishes in? I mean, we can just eat in the restaurant."

"I'm worried that you might be tired now. Besides, it's the same to have dinner in our room."

Nicole smiled sweetly at him and sat at the dining table. On the other hand, Evan put the dishes nicely on the table, then asked her which dish was more to her liking and whether she wanted to order other dishes.

She was touched to see that he was so gentle and thoughtful. After all, she had never expected that the president of a multinational corporation would care about her so much.

At this moment, she felt that she was the happiest woman in the world.

"These dishes are more than enough. Go ahead and try the dishes too."

"It's okay. You can start eating first."

She picked up her cutlery and began to eat away. The sense of taste of a woman would somehow change when she was pregnant. Also, it was totally different from the last time she was pregnant.

Because she particularly felt like eating meat, her eyes would even shine when she stared at the meat dish.

When Evan saw her ferocious face, he recalled Maya's reaction when she was young. Her eyes would also shine the moment she saw dessert.

He couldn't help but chuckle and asked, "Do you think our baby will resemble Maya and love eating?"

"No. Maya loves eating because I purposely raised her that way. When she was born, she was too thin and almost died. So, I guided her to have more food to make sure that she would grow up stronger. She was quite obedient and eventually becomes a glutton. Anyway, I don't think this baby will be as weak as her but will turn out to be cute and healthy instead!"

Since she looked forward to the baby being born, he couldn't help but guess if the baby were a boy or a girl. Besides, he was also curious to know what the baby would look like.

When he was still lost in thought, she had already devoured more than half of the pork chop. Suddenly, as if a thought slashed through her mind, she looked up at him and handed over the remaining pork chop to him embarrassedly. "Do you want to have some?"

He shook his head and replied, "I don't really enjoy eating pork chops. But if you love it, I'll ask around and look for the restaurant with the best pork chops in this area and take you there."

"It's fine. The pork chop in this restaurant is delicious. We can buy some before we leave. In that case, I can enjoy eating them on our way home."

"Sure! You can bring along as many as you want as long as you like it."

"How about sending some of the pork chops to Nina and Maya?"

However, Evan furrowed his brows and replied, "That's not necessary! I mean, Maya is a good cook now. I'm sure the pork chops that she made will taste even better."

After giving it some thought, she eventually agreed to it too. After all, Maya was a chef now and could make all kinds of delicacies.

"I wonder how are Nina and Maya doing now. Do they miss us?"

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"We've only been here for several days, and you are starting to miss them already? Don't worry. Mom will take good care of them," Evan comforted her.

She flashed him a smile and didn't utter a word. When she lifted a glass of milk to drink, it slipped and fell to the ground unexpectedly, making her heart skip a beat.

He looked at her caringly and asked, "Are you scalded?"

She shook her head and replied, "No." Nevertheless, she began to feel uneasy unknowingly.

Why would a glass suddenly slip from my hand and shatter into pieces? Was it the sign of a bad omen?

A worried look flashed across her eyes when she looked up at him.

Even though Evan noticed her grim expression, he thought she probably overthought because she was pregnant. As such, he comforted, "It's fine. Only a glass is broken."

However, since her heart was thumping, she told him, "But I feel very uneasy. Should we give Nina and Maya a call?"

He decided to give them a call to console her.

However, as soon as he made the phone call, he realized that Maya's phone was turned off.

The same happened to Nina's phone when he called her.

As such, Nicole began to really feel worried about them.

"Did something bad happen?"

"Don't be nervous. I'll call Mom."

Unexpectedly, Sophia's phone was also turned off when he called her.

What... Why did all of them turn off their phones? Is this the latest trend in our house?

Nicole knitted her brows and was as confused as him. Besides, she grew increasingly anxious about it.

"Don't worry. Let me call Dad." He didn't believe that everyone in the house had turned off his or her phone.

Miles away, Jonathan's heart skipped a beat when he saw Evan's call. Also, he hesitated about what he should say. Should I tell Evan about what is happening to Sophia, Nina, Maya, and the Seet Group?

Nevertheless, given that Evan was smart, Jonathan couldn't hide the past from him anymore once he revealed it.

How will he react to it if he knows that the Seet Group played dirty tricks in the past to become successful today? He was worried that his image as his father would plummet.

However, if I keep it from him now and something bad really happens to Sophia, Nina, Maya, and the Seet Group, how am I going to face him?

After thinking through it, he believed that the lives of his family members were way more important than his reputation. As such, he decided to answer the phone and tell Evan everything.

"Evan, where are you two now?"

"We're at Lisanthos. Why did Mom turn off her phone?"

Oh well, since your mom is in danger now, her phone is surely not with her!

After giving it some thought, Jonathan answered vaguely, "Evan, something has happened in the family. Can you put your trip on hold and bring Nicole back?"

Evan frowned and asked, "Dad, what's going on?"

"It's a thorny problem. You'll find out when you're back."

Jonathan didn't reveal anything to Evan for now. He was worried that something bad would happen to Evan and Nicole if they were nervous about the incident and returned hastily.

Nonetheless, Evan was even more curious when he didn't say much.

What can actually make Mom and his two daughters turn off their phones? Besides, if it isn't something important, Jonathan won't ask me to go back so soon.

"I understand, Dad."

Once Evan hung up the phone, he immediately dialed Davin's number. He believed that Davin was the only one from whom he could get the truth from.

Meanwhile, Davin thought that it was a dream when he saw the caller ID. Didn't Evan and Nicole turn off their phones together? Why does he turn on his phone again?

Evan, you've finally turned on your phone! Our family and the Seet Group need you!

Davin grabbed his phone nervously as if it was his last lifeline. However, someone took his phone away right before he could pick it up. At this moment, he felt that the last lifeline that belonged to him and the Seet family was removed forcefully.

"Give the phone back to me!"

As he was nervous, he couldn't help but yell furiously. However, he was startled when he looked up and realized who took his phone away.

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"Kai?"

"Uncle Davin, it's Daddy's call. Let me pick it up for you!"

He answered the phone as soon as he finished.

"Hello, Daddy and Mommy. Are you having a wonderful trip?"

Evan was delighted and surprised to hear Kyle's voice.

"Kyle, why are you here? Are you back at Y City?"

"Yup, I completed the challenges in the secret base in advance, so I can come home earlier. How's Mommy?"

Immediately, Nicole took the phone from Evan excitedly. She was initially worried about Kyle after his teacher informed her that he went to the secret base.

Now that Kyle was back at Y City, she was overwhelmed with excitement.

"Kai, Mommy heard that you have taken up the challenge and went to the secret base. Are you alright? Are you hurt?"

"Mommy, I'm fine and not harmed at all." "

"Great! Mommy and Daddy are going back tomorrow to reunite with you!"

"Mommy, since Daddy doesn't always have time to take you out, you should give him a chance to keep you company! Besides, you will disappoint Daddy for coming home so soon!"

Actually, Kyle was aware of what was happening to the Seet family and Seet Group by now. Besides, he also knew that Nicole was pregnant.

When she was carrying the four of them then, she hid from Evan and suffered a lot. This time, he didn't want her to be worried about the Seet family's problems anymore. Instead, he hoped that his mother would always keep herself in a good mood before giving birth to the baby.

Nevertheless, Davin was rather worried when he heard Kyle.

After a while, he said firmly, "I think we should let your Daddy come back!"

At this juncture, Davin was worried about the lives of Sophia and his two nieces. Also, he was concerned about the future of the Seet Group.

Unexpectedly, Kyle glanced at him intently and replied, "Daddy doesn't have to come back for such a trivial matter!"

A trivial matter?

You little brat surely isn't aware that the Seet Group is in big trouble now!

When Davin was thinking about what he had to say, Evan asked over the phone, "What kind of thorny problem does the family have now?"

"Evan, let me explain to you..."

Nonetheless, as soon as Davin opened his mouth, Kyle swiftly grabbed some waste paper and put it into his mouth. He stared at Kyle shockingly. Despite his anger, he couldn't say anything because his mouth was sealed.

"Daddy, the thorny problem is that Uncle Davin and I got into an argument again. You're aware that Uncle Davin and I are like enemies ever since I was young. This time, we had a big quarrel. Even Grandpa and Grandma think that he is in the wrong. But still, he is dissatisfied and keeps arguing with a young boy like me. I mean, he is so petty! How can someone like him handle the Seet Group?"

"Kai, you can't be so rude to Uncle Davin. He is your elder, and you have to respect him!" Nicole criticized him.

Kyle didn't utter a word as if he realized that he was wrong.

On the other hand, Davin whose mouth was sealed glanced at him resentfully. You little brat, why are you talking nonsense!

We're already in a life-and-death situation, yet you claim that it's only a quarrel between us. You're right. You're the least petty and most visionary man in the world!

On the other hand, Evan frowned as he recalled Jonathan's tone when he talked to him. Deep in his heart, he felt that it wouldn't be as simple as Kyle claimed to be.

Hence, he continued to ask, "Why did Grandma, Nina, and Maya turn off their phones?"

Davin immediately rolled his eyes at Kyle. Humph! Let's see how you can cover up your lie!

Much to his surprise, Kyle answered composedly, "That was because Uncle Evan dreamed that he could persuade them to go up against me. Grandma, Nina, and Maya were so annoyed by him to the point that they have to turn off their phones!"

"Is that true?" Evan was a little suspicious.

"If Daddy doesn't believe me, I'll ask them to call you once they come home."

Davin was rendered speechless.

My goodness! You little brat can lie without even batting an eyelid! I am really impressed!

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Although Evan was still suspicious about what Kyle said, he glanced at Nicole for a while and didn't continue to ask further questions.

"Daddy, just keep Mommy company. Since you weren't with Mommy when she had us then, you have to make it up to her this time!"

"But Kyle, Mommy wishes to go home and meet you as soon as possible!"

"Well, you can always see me via video call! Mommy, if you really come home earlier for me but waste the trip that Daddy has planned elaborately, he will have regrets for the rest of his life. Besides, I'll be upset too!"

Nicole was rendered speechless.

Meanwhile, Evan could tell that Kyle purposely didn't want Nicole to go back. Even though he was unsure of the reason behind it, he knew that Kyle wouldn't do so without due considerations. As such, he began to play along and persuade her to stay.

"Kyle is right. Nicole, please allow me to make up for my absence in the past. Just keep me company for a couple of more months, okay?"

Given that both Evan and Kyle said so, Nicole didn't insist on going back anymore. She promised, "Okay, Kyle. Mommy won't go back for now."

"Mommy, have a wonderful trip with Daddy!"

"Okay! You've to get along with Uncle Davin too." After that, she asked Davin to forgive Kyle for he was young and immature.

When Davin looked at Kyle, he felt that Kyle's eyes seemed to be as cold as Evan's. After Nicole finished, he coughed for a while and replied, "Nicole, don't worry. I won't take it to heart."

"Please take care of them. I'll thank you when I'm back."

"It's fine. Nicole, enjoy your trip with Evan, and don't worry about us." He said the last few words against his will.

If Kyle didn't stare at him with a piercingly cold gaze, he would never say such things when the Seet Group was in danger. Instead, he would definitely ask Evan to come back and rescue all of them!

"Mommy, I've to hang up the phone now. Uncle Davin and I have a lot to talk about."

"Alright!"

Once he hung up the phone, Davin glared at him and said, "Do you know that the family is facing big trouble? Something terrible might happen if you don't allow your Daddy to come home!" He kept gnashing his teeth when he spoke.

"If Daddy comes home, something terrible might also happen because Mommy will be worried all the time," Kyle retorted composedly.

Davin was startled. So this little brat is actually worried about Nicole getting overly worried and anxious that it will be bad for the baby?

Humph! Your reason is accepted, but...

"Kyle, Uncle Davin is not joking with you. The Seet family is in big trouble now. Your grandma, Nina, and Maya are all in the hands of a madwoman. They might be in danger!"

"The madwoman is Monica Martson, right?"

"How do you know about her?"

Kyle glanced at him mysteriously and replied, "I'm gifted with the ability to find things out quickly."

Davin rolled his eyes at him.

Then, his lips pursed when he looked at Kyle as if the little brat's boasting were disgusting to him. "If you're really able to find things out quickly, you should know where they are. Besides, you can also listen to what they are saying now!"

"I knew it already!"

Davin was surprised to hear it.

"Is that true? How did you know it? Didn't you just come back?"

"Yup. I came back to Y City two hours ago and met one of the Hidden Masters, Damien, as soon as I entered the Imperial Garden. So, I knew what happened to Nina, Maya, and Grandma. When I investigated this matter with him, I have discovered the location that they were being locked away easily."

Oh, I see! He knew it because he met Damien!

It was actually Davin who sent the Hidden Masters to investigate the matter. Based on what Kyle said, it appeared that they had found some leads. Hence, Kyle could continue the investigation and discover where Sophia, Nina, and Maya were.

"Kyle, where are they now?"

"They are in an old house in the suburbs. Since many men are guarding the house, we might set off the alarm once we go in. Besides, Monica might hurt them if she got panicked. So, I think it's better to make a plan only after you meet Monica tomorrow."

After that, he continued to ask, "Do you know why Monica dares to go up against the Seet Group in such a flagrant manner?"

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Davin pondered, "I think there are three reasons. Firstly, I heard that she holds a grudge against our family, and she wants revenge! Secondly, she thinks that this is a golden opportunity since your daddy is not around. Thirdly, she surely is capable and has done all the preparation. Otherwise, she wouldn't have done this for nothing!"

"Seems like you're not that dull-witted after all!"

"Of course. If your daddy is not around, I would be the smartest one and also the head of the Seet family."

Kyle stared at him coldly, "Well, in that case, the Seet Group would definitely be led into the lion's den. Before we know it, the family and everything else would be utterly destroyed."

"..."

Davin raised an eyebrow. You're still so young Kyle, how can you say such a thing?

"Kai, I know you have a sharp tongue and I don't have time to argue with you. If you don't ask your Daddy to come back, then you'll be held accountable for saving Grandma, Nina and Maya. In addition, you will also be responsible for Monica holding Seet Group hostage. Any problems with that?" Before Kyle could answer, Davin further exclaimed, "Don't tell me you are all words and no action. Are you just all talk?"

Kyle looked seemingly confident, "I will show you my true abilities."

"Alright then, we shall wait and see. I will be watching you. If you can resolve this crisis, I will gift you with a limited edition super sports!"

"Who cares about that!"

Having said that, Kyle turned around and left the president's office.

Staring as he left, Davin became unsettled. He wasn't sure if Kyle was really capable. If he were just good at talking and wasn't able to solve the matter on hand, Seet Group could really be in grave danger then.

Ah... Kyle, even though both of us don't see eye to eye and we're always arguing, I really wish you could help save the Seet family during this difficult time.

If we could survive the storm and end up alright, I will definitely praise you by giving you a big fat thumbs up after that!

Kyle left Seet Group and went to meet Jonathan at the Seet Residence.

If Monica was resentful towards the Seet family and wanted to seek revenge, he really needed to know what had actually happened in the past.

Jonathan was surprised to see Kyle.

"Kai? When did you come back?"

Kyle looked at his wristwatch and answered accordingly, "Grandpa, it takes less than three hours for me to return to Y City."

Jonathan looked worried. Seet family is facing a crisis right now and Kyle came back during this time. Could it be that he's also dragged into this mess?

"Kai, when do you return to school?"

"Grandpa, I've completed the secret base challenge. I took a leave of absence two years in advance and have already graduated. I don't need to go back!"

"I see," Jonathan replied solemnly. Kyle then proceeded frankly, "Grandpa, I want to know the grudge between Monica and the Seets. Please tell me everything!"

"You knew about Monica?"

"Yes, Grandpa, my Daddy and Mommy are on a holiday and they'll only return after a few months. I will settle this matter in regards to Monica!"

Evan's not coming back?

Jonathan started thinking suddenly as he turned around and looked at Kyle. He's not even sixteen yet, will he be able to handle a huge problem like this?

"Grandpa, please have faith in me!"

Jonathan hesitated. Well then, Kyle was indeed his grandson. It wouldn't differ much if he were to tell either him or Evan.

"Take a seat. This is quite a complicated matter and it might take some time to explain."

Kyle nodded and he sat down. He stared at Jonathan eagerly while waiting for him to reveal everything that had happened in the past.

Jonathan sat across him. He picked up his cup of tea and took a sip. Either he was lubricating his voice or it was to calm his emotions down. After a while, he finally let out.

"The story's like this. During that time, your Great-grandpa was in charge of the Seet Group. Day in, day out, he was stressed at work and it took a toll on his health. He was then hospitalized. Meanwhile, I was temporarily in charge of the Seet Group."

"The Seet Group back then wasn't as big compared to where we are now. When the business was just about to expand exponentially, luck wasn't on our side. The company that was under my management faced some problems suddenly..."

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The floodgates opened and memories came pouring in.

Jonathan opened up and talked about the past that he had buried for many years. When it came to the essential part of the story, he held back instantaneously. His throat choked a little.

"Grandpa, what happened to the company then?" Kyle asked eagerly.

Jonathan took another sip of tea. Both his hands gripped onto the cup and continued, "Seet Group received a big business deal from the Marston Group back then. Both companies rushed to produce a batch of valuable products together. However, Seet Group miscalculated two important data and there was a huge problem with the final product. Everything had gone to waste. Therefore, Seet Group was responsible for quite a huge loss. If we were to pay off everything based on our financial ability back then, bankruptcy might have been the next thing for us."

"And then?" Kyle asked.

At that moment, his eyes deepened as if he had figured out something from within.

Jonathan sighed. "Kyle, do you know why your Great-grandpa did not hand over the Seet Group to me, but to your Dad instead?"

"Something to do with this matter?" Kyle postulated.

Jonathan's face darkened and followed with a deep sigh. "That is correct. I had disappointed him too much because of this matter!"

"After delivering the goods with Sam that time, I directed all the faults to him in order to minimize Seet Group's losses. I organized a drinking session and had Sam drunk on purpose. I swapped the two agreements and had him responsible for the batch of problematic goods! He was drunk and was kept in the dark. He thought he had received a profitable contract. After sobering up the next day, he came to realization that I had betrayed him when he found out that Marston Group was liable for a loss!"

"So, Marston Group compensated for the loss and they closed down because of that?"

"Our company was the one that produced the defective goods. Unwilling to be a scapegoat, Sam tried his best to defend himself. I was constantly living in fear and guilt, therefore, I bribed two witnesses to prove he was at fault. Then, he was forced to compensate for the losses and Marston Group went bankrupt. That incident was a great blow to him as he felt that the world's unpredictable and was filled with evil people. As a result, he suffered from depression and committed suicide by jumping off a building not long after!"

Kyle sank in silence. Who would've thought Grandpa had done such a thing in the past?

All these years, Grandpa was indifferent and hadn't asked much about the company, probably he was trying to avoid the past.

"Your Great-grandpa thought that I wouldn't be an ideal successor due to my ruthlessness. Therefore, he focused on training your Dad himself. I was also aware that the mistakes that I made back then were irreparable, and I've been reflecting on them over the years. When it comes to company matters, I do my best not to intervene unless there's no choice. Every time I get myself involved, I would remember that I had such an ugly past... In actual fact, I've always known that my history with Sam would one day be revealed. There's a saying 'karma is a bitch', who could fight against karma?"

Kyle had mixed feelings.

At that moment, he finally understood why Monica would treat the Seet family and Seet Group in such a way.

A loved one's passing and a company that went bankrupt... Maybe a grudge like this can't be resolved or forgotten easily with time.

"Kai, Grandpa is not afraid of dying. As long as Monica is able to let go of her grudge towards the Seet family, I'm willing to sacrifice my life in exchange!"

"Grandpa, sacrificing one's life for another might not be able to diffuse Monica's hatred. If tables were turned and Seet Group went through something like that, Seet family members would certainly not let things off the hook easily either."

What Kyle said was very objective. Even though it was unpleasant to hear, Jonathan agreed fully in his heart.

"You're right. Even if Grandpa dies, it's impossible to atone for my sins."

Kyle looked perplexed. Although Grandpa's intention back then was to protect the Seet Group, his action was certainly unforgivable.

It would be very difficult to resolve this grudge.

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"Grandpa, I'll handle Grandma, Maya and Nina's problem and think of a solution to save them. As for Marston family's resentment towards us, that might take some time to resolve."

"Sure, as long as innocent lives are not involved. Grandpa will find a way to bear the sins I've made in the past, in order for Grandma, Maya and Nina to be released safely.

Kyle remained in silence for a moment. Then, he turned and left the Seet Residence quietly.

The next day.

The news of partnership dissolution between Seet Group, Snyder Group, Jones Group, Campbell Group and Walker Group was spread widely. It was the talk of the town.

Many people did not understand why the Seet Group had made this move. By dissolving the partnership with The Four, it was like an eagle severing its own wings. This decision would severely affect its future development.

Some people even speculated that there must be an underlying reason for what had happened. Seet Group might have decided with the direction they'd like to progress forward and there's no need to partner up with The Four anymore.

"Ah, they can't just kick them away even if there's no need to partner up with them anymore. It's no wonder why people say that the president of Seet Group is relentless. I think he is absolutely ruthless and too aggressive."

While the clueless Evan was on vacation in Lisanthos, gossipers and netizens had been accusing him of being the mastermind behind this merciless act. Wonder what his reaction would be if he heard about that?

Then, some people even speculated, "What? Maybe there was an internal conflict or maybe The Four was the one who had a discussion and initiated the partnership dissolution with the Seet Group!"

"That could be the case. However, this might be damaging for the Seet Group no matter what the reason is."

"It certainly would. It had already caused damages once the news got released last night. Even the Seet Group shares have plummeted!"

"Ah, there's a saying, business is as fierce as war. Looks like something very exciting is about to happen in the business world of Y City!"

"Yes, let's wait and see. It'll be an exciting show!"

Words traveled like lightning to Monica. Her red lips curved with amusement. She had been waiting for this day to come. Seet Group was finally crumbling! "Dad, are you watching from heaven? Seet Group will fall just like how Marston Group had fallen in the past! Just wait and see how they'll get destroyed bit by bit!"

Next, she would have to speed up the process. With the hostages in her hands, she would make full use of it by blackmailing Davin to obtain her goal. The Seet Group would be destroyed.

"Ms. Monica, if Davin wants them back today, what should we say?"

Monica pondered, "I have my plans."

Soon after, her phone rang and the caller was indeed Davin.

She picked up the call.

"Monica, I've done what you've asked me to do. Seet Group is in a shambles now, can't you see that? When are you going to release my Mom, Nina and Maya?"

"Davin, I remember saying to you yesterday, I would cut off one of your mother's arm if you're unable to deliver. However, I didn't promise that I would let them go if you do deliver."

Davin was furious. That b*tch, I knew it wouldn't be so simple!

"What else do you want in order to let them go?"

"If you want me to release them, it's simple. I have three members of the Seet family with me. Let's say, you do according to what I want and I'll let one person go upon accomplishing one task. Once all three tasks are completed, they would eventually return to you."

Three tasks. As long as every task was able to shake the foundation of the Seet Group, then their downfall would just be around the corner.

In regards to Monica's pressing demands, Davin was also clear that her main objective was to destroy the Seet Group. Therefore, he did not come to an agreement. He attempted a bargain with her.

"Release them first. For one person you release, I'll complete one task. How does that sound?"

"Davin, it's best for you to be clear that their lives are in my hand. If you don't follow my orders, I can't guarantee they'll be able to return safely! Who knows... Your Mom might lose one of her legs. An eye or an ear for your beautiful nieces. Do you wish to see that happening?"