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Chapter 1416 The Plan

"All right. Let's talk later. I still have something important to settle."

"What's that?"

"Investigation about the fake medicine. Oh, right. I'm currently interrogating the victim's husband. However, the man denied his involvement. Did you, the mastermind behind this, already plan this with him?"

Sally was irritated. Me? It seems like Juan really does suspect me.

"I told you before that I'm not the mastermind, and I have nothing to do with this. If you can't get anything out of him, that's because you're useless. I would have gotten a clue if I were there."

"Is that so? Then you should come over and interrogate him yourself. That way, you can prove that you're not involved too."

"Okay. Where are you right now? I'll head over."

After getting to know the address, Sally quickly rushed over.

Upon arriving there, she sized the man up. Although he seems to be a cunning man, he's weak on the inside. Besides, if he really did poison his wife, he's going to feel guilty about it.

Thus, Sally decided on an idea to deal with the man. After shooting Juan a glance, he followed her out of the room and listened to her idea.

"You want to scare him?"

"That's right. If he really poisoned his wife, he's going to be afraid of his wife coming back to haunt him. Therefore, we can use this as bait. It's the quickest and easiest way to get him to talk."

After thinking for a while, Juan decided that it was a good idea.

"However, where are we going to find someone who looks like his wife?"

"What do you think about me?" Sally offered.

He scrutinized her. "Are you really willing to help? What trick do you have up your sleeves?"

"I'm the one who came up with the idea and offered to help. If you suspect that I have ulterior motives, you can find someone else instead."

"Forget it. You can help out, then. However, I need Nina to come and help out."

"What do you need help for?"

"To put make-up on you! Otherwise, you can't pretend to be his wife."

"All right. I've heard rumors of her incredible make-up skills. I can't wait to see it with my own eyes."

After calling Nina, they were informed that she was currently at K Nation.

"I'm sorry, but I don't think I can help you out with this. However, you can ask Maya about it. I've taught her a couple of tricks before."

"Nina, didn't our parents forbid you from visiting K Nation? Why did you go there?"

"I-I want to take care of Grandpa."

Juan pursed his lips. "Let me guess. You're not there to visit Grandpa but to meet Chris instead. It's been so long, yet you can't forget the man who abandoned you? Are you still my sister, the prideful princess?"

"It's not what you think it is. I'm not there to reconcile with him. I just want to see if he's living a dreadful life. If he isn't, I'm going to take things into my own hands and take revenge on him."

Juan sighed. Although she put it that way, I'm sure she still hasn't forgotten about him. After all, if she did, she wouldn't care about him at all.

Since Nina was not free, Juan could only give Maya a call.

"What? Are you asking me to disguise someone?"

"That's right. I heard Nina saying she taught you before. How're your skills?"

"Even if she didn't teach me, I would have been able to catch on from seeing her work every day. Wait for me. I'll come over right now and demonstrate my skills!"

"Okay. We'll be waiting for you."

Chapter 1417 Her Disguise

When Maya arrived, she was informed that she had to disguise Sally. She gave Sally a once-over before giving her a makeover.

Juan worriedly asked her, "Maya, you've never done this before. How confident are you that you can pull this off?"

"The success rate is around eighty to ninety percent. Though it's my first time doing this, I have faith in myself."

"I believe in you too."

Since Sally placed her trust in her, Maya became more confident. "Rest assured, I will make you beautiful."

"I don't have to be very beautiful. You just have to make me look like the woman in this picture!"

Juan found a picture of the woman who had passed on due to the fake medicine from the popular searches. He then passed it to Maya.

While comparing the deceased's face with Sally's, Maya put on makeup on Sally's face.

After Maya worked on Sally's face for quite some time, there was still something off about her face.

Juan scrutinized Sally's face. "Maya, you said that the success rate was high. Why don't they look the same?"

Maya compared the two faces again. "It's not a problem. This is just the beginning. Rest assured, I will complete the makeup soon."

With that said, she continued perfecting Sally's makeup.

Later, Maya looked at the picture once more. She was not too satisfied with the results, so she carried on.

When she was done, she smiled satisfyingly.

"Juan, do you think they look the same?"

Peering carefully at Sally, he suddenly burst into laughter.

"Maya, did you put on too much foundation for her? Look at the pale complexion of her face. Compared to the woman in the picture, she looks as if she was beaten up. Her cheeks look swollen."

"Really? I think it's pretty good though! Juan, since you're so picky about it, I'll have to begin all over again. However, I may have to try it a few times before getting it right."

Sally observed her own face. "I think Maya did a great job. After all, my face has to be as white as a ghost to resemble the deceased woman, right?"

"Juan, did you hear it? Sally approves of it. You are just demanding." Maya shot Juan a glance.

Juan was speechless.

"Okay. If you think this was done well, I'm fine with it. Actually, I don't care how you look. I am just interested in what that man has to say!"

"Let's wait and see."

Juan hurriedly prepared himself after Sally gazed at him proudly.

At that moment, a man was sitting in his living room, staring at his phone. Suddenly, the lights in the house flashed. With a click, all of them went out.

What's happening?

He stood up and checked his surroundings. In the pitch-black room, he could almost feel his hairs stand.

As he planned to walk toward the door, it slammed shut abruptly. The banging sound scared him out of his wits.

It was so silent that he could hear a pin drop. Suddenly, a voice rang out.

"You were the one who poisoned me. It was you. You were the one who poisoned me..."

A chill instantly ran down his spine. He questioned, "Who? Who are you?"

"You were the one who poisoned me. You were the one who poisoned me..." The voice echoed through the room.

The man furrowed his brows. Though it was a woman's voice, it sounded different from his wife's. It couldn't possibly be her, right?

"Who are you?"

"I am your wife!"

All of a sudden, a face that looked exactly like his wife's came into view. Her face was very pale and tinged with green.

The man took one look at the apparition before yelling in fear. He turned around immediately, kneeling and grabbing his own head.

"What? Are you unable to recognize me?"

Trembling with horror, he exclaimed, "Leave! I wasn't the one who did it. Leave, just leave!"

"Who else would it be? You had me killed. I am going to drag you to hell. I want you to experience extreme pain and suffering!"

Chapter 1418 It Was Xander

"No, it wasn't me. I did not plan this. I was forced to do so!"

"If you weren't the main culprit, then who did it? It has to be you!"

"No, I really didn't do it. I incurred many debts due to gambling, and I was unable to repay them. Therefore, they told me I wouldn't need to return the money anymore if I did as they said! I had no choice but to do as told. Please don't take revenge on me. Xander was the one who came up with the plan. You should look for him instead! It was him, not me!"

"Xander? There's no bad blood between the two of us. Why did he devise a plan to harm me?"

"He... He's the brother-in-law of Xenhall Hospital's boss. He was the one who wanted to target Bernian Hospital. He wanted to frame Ms. Lane and taint the reputation of Bernian hospital, so as to improve Xenhall Hospital's business."

So, that's the truth.

Sally did not expect that the boss of another hospital was involved in this matter. It seemed like all business rivals in the same industry were indeed at odds with one another.

"Where does Xander live? Give me his address. I'll go look for him."

"Xander? I do not know where he lives. He likes to gamble and frequents the bar regularly. If you go to Waylon Bar, you'll definitely meet him. He often goes there. I heard that one of his girlfriends is a waitress there."

Sally was stunned. One of his girlfriends? It appears that Xander is a sc\*mbag!

She resumed with her questions. However, after asking around, the man was unable to give her any more information. His answers were barely useful.

"Are you really unaware of other details?"

"I've already told you all that I know. I really don't know anything else. I swear, if I hide other information that I know from you, I will die a miserable death."

"Regardless, you deserve a miserable death for what you've done!" Juan swiftly replied.

The trembling man, who was crouching in a corner, heard Juan's voice. He paused for a while before all the lights were switched on again.

Face full of terror, the man stood up. Turning around, he saw Juan and Sally, who resembled his wife greatly. He was stunned.

"You... Who are you?"

"So, how's the makeup on my face? Do I look like your deceased wife?"

The man remained silent.

Makeup? Did they just trick me? D\*mn it!

"Xander, Xenhall Hospital, and Waylon Bar. We will investigate them later. I will also hand in the recording to the police. I believe you will be charged with murder. You will be able to reunite with your wife soon."

"You! The both of you are despicable!"

"Despicable? I don't think we should treat a man who has killed his wife with respect!" Sally gazed at the man coldly. She itched to beat the man up and avenge his wife's death.

Juan, who was standing at the side, gave her a thumbs up. "Well said!"

"Are you praising me?" Sally looked at Juan with surprise. "So you no longer suspect me of being the mastermind behind this incident and colluding with this man?"

"How could a puny person like him collude with you? Even if you were the mastermind, I bet you wouldn't collude with useless men like Xander and this man. You should be in cahoots with Xenhall Hospital's boss instead!"

"Hmph! Nonsense!"

"I have been civil to those who framed my mother and Bernian Hospital so far. To me, those people are the shameless scum of the earth. They deserved to be punished!"

"How cruel you are! You look like you want to flay them and rip out their tendons."

"Cruel?" Juan gazed at Sally. "Would you like to see that side of me with your own eyes?"

"How would I do that?"

"If you investigate this incident with me, I'll let you see what I'm capable of."

Chapter 1419 Making Use Of Her

"Why should I work together with you?"

After giving it some thought, Juan crossed his arms and stared deeply at Sally. He stretched out two fingers for her to see.

"Firstly, I can show you how cruel I can be! Secondly, you can prove your innocence and show that you have nothing to do with this incident. Would these be enough to convince you?"

Sally smiled. "You forgot to mention the third reason."

"What is it?"

"It's because I can help you. Didn't I help you find out about Xander, Xenhall Hospital, and Waylon Bar?"

"I could still find out all these without you. I was just giving you a chance to prove your innocence!"

Sally was rendered speechless.

That's ridiculous. He is making use of me, yet he's refusing to admit it!

"All right. It is too late. You and Maya should go home and take a rest. I am going to Waylon Bar to meet Xander."

"Do you want us to come along?" Maya asked.

"No need. It isn't safe for girls to wander around these places at this late hour. I can just go there myself."

After sending Maya and Sally home, Juan drove to Waylon Bar. However, he arrived too late, as Xander had already left. Nevertheless, he managed to find out the residential address of the latter by asking the regulars in the bar.

He looked at his watch. It was almost one o'clock in the morning. Juan decided to head home and rest before interrogating Xander the next day.

Meanwhile, the sun had just begun to rise in K Nation due to the time difference between the two countries.

As Nina had secretly gone to K Nation, she was afraid that Evan would send her back if he knew about it. Thus, she had been avoiding him.

She had stealthily inquired about her grandfather's health condition earlier. After knowing that his condition had stabilized, she was relieved.

"Grandpa, I will take care of you after I'm done with what I have to do! Mommy can't take care of you at the moment. Don't worry. I will be your caretaker instead!"

Thereafter, Nina wore her sunglasses and mask before she headed out.

She arrived at Chris' house. After painstakingly searching around, she almost wanted to bribe some maids into telling her some information. However, her efforts were futile.

Chris is the master of this place and K Company's future successor. Why is it that no one knows any news about him?

Her search yielded no results. Since she was afraid of attracting too much attention, which might risk exposing herself, Nina decided to go to a café nearby. After she seated herself in a private room upstairs, she covertly observed the people in the villa. She wanted to try her luck to see if she could encounter Chris.

Drinking her coffee, she sat in the private room and kept an eye on the villa. An entire afternoon went by, but she could not catch a glimpse of him.

Rubbing her growling belly, she chose to eat her lunch first. She went to a nearby restaurant and hastily ate her meal before going back to the café to continue her wait.

Nina could see many people going in and out of the place. However, Chris was still nowhere to be seen.

Could it be that he's working in the office? Even if he is in the office, he will have to come home at night, right?

The sun had already set. She waited for an entire day until the café closed before leaving unwillingly.

Her search was futile. With an empty heart, she went into the car and prepared to leave. Suddenly, a familiar figure appeared in front of her.

Isn't this Felicia, whom I met previously? She is the woman Chris wanted to marry. She should have already been married to him by now! Since she's here, perhaps Chris is somewhere around...

Thinking about it, Nina immediately got down from the car and quietly followed Felicia.

Chapter 1420 Felicia Is Here

Nina tailed Felicia till she reached a bar. Slowing down, the former frowned.

Why did Felicia come to this place at this late hour? Is she here for a social event? No, it can't be. Since Chris is an important figure around here, he wouldn't have allowed his wife to socialize in the red-light district.

Out of curiosity, Nina followed her. She saw Felicia drinking with a few men. Those men even took advantage of Felicia from time to time.

Upon seeing this, Nina was aghast.

I can't believe it. Does Felicia, the woman whom Chris loves, like to flirt around with men? Does she have many boyfriends? Could it be that... Haha, could it be that she's cheating on Chris? Well, he deserves it for betraying me!

Felicia drank a few glasses of beer in one shot. Swaying unsteadily, she lifted her eyes and caught a glimpse of Nina nearby.

Why is she here? Felicia was shocked.

As she locked eyes with Nina, the latter suddenly panicked. Did Felicia notice me? Well, even if she did, it didn't mean anything. It's normal for me to have some fun in a bar, isn't it? She doesn't have any proof to accuse me of stalking her, anyway.

With that thought in mind, Nina tried to look as relaxed as possible.

After Felicia downed a few glasses of alcohol, she made up an excuse to leave.

"You're going to walk away now? We haven't had enough fun yet. You can't leave!"

"Yeah, we promised to pay you. If you leave just like that, we won't give the money to you!"

"That's right. If you serve us well and let us have some fun, we can consider giving you more money. How does that sound?"

"I'm sorry. Something cropped up today. You can give me less money."

"No! You can't leave!"

"You cannot leave until you satisfy us!"

As they spoke, the two men grabbed her. Meanwhile, the other men in the group ogled her and warned, "Behave yourself, or else... You know what will happen next!"

"Let me go. I don't want the money anymore. Let me leave."

Felicia started to struggle. However, the two men who were holding on to her arms still refused to relent.

Nina was confused. Looking at the attire of those men, she realized that they were just ordinary thugs. Chris is the son of the K Enterprise's head, so how dare the thugs treat Chris' wife that way?

"Let go of me! Let go!"

Felicia struggled more violently. Since she could not escape from their grasp, she bit one of them on the arm in desperation. As a result, she received a loud slap from them.

"B\*tch. How dare you bite me! I'll beat you to death!"

Upon seeing that Felicia was going to be harmed, Nina suddenly remembered a similar situation that she had encountered previously. If not for Stephen's help at that time, the consequences would have been unthinkable.

The more she thought about it, the more she despised the thugs who bullied Felicia. Rising from her seat, she walked toward them.

"Let her go!"

Nina's words attracted the attention of those men. When they saw her, some of them were stunned.

Earlier on, Nina used to be a little fat. Nevertheless, after following Maya's diet plan, she had lost a lot of weight. Although she was a little plump, it did not affect her beauty at all. Conversely, the plumpness accentuated the noble aura she exuded.

Those men who observed her put on a vicious smile. One of them had a lascivious look on his face as his gaze roamed about her body. "If we let go of her, would you drink with us instead?"

"Me? Of course. In fact, I can get many more people to join you for a drink."

"Oh, is that so? Who would you get to accompany us for drinks? Are they as pretty as you? If they aren't, I won't agree to this."

Nina smiled. "Yes. Not only are they prettier than me, but their net worth is also higher than the average person!"

Chapter 1421 Cannot Let Go Of Chris

"Is that so? Which rich socialite would it be?"

"It appears that this girl comes from a good background. If she finds some rich socialites to accompany us, they might even begin to like us. When that happens, won't the rest of our lives be free from toiling? We will be able to live in the lap of luxury without working then!"

"Hahaha. Indeed, that sounds great!"

Nina felt repulsed as she stared at the thugs who only wanted to live off a woman. How could those revolting men covet a rich socialite? They are obviously punching above their own weight to engage in such foolish daydreams!

"Wait a minute. I'll give a call to Sir Musgrave's estate and Wicked Palace. I'll get them to find more people to come!"

Nina gave those men a half-smile. In a foreign land, if one wants to be chivalrous, one should be well prepared as well. Especially during a crucial moment like this, it's important for me to flaunt my connection with the duke to get us out of trouble!

Upon hearing Nina's words, the men looked at each other as contemptuous smiles appeared on their faces. "Girl, you're too bold. Are you mentioning these two names to scare us?"

"Yes! Have you been brought to your senses now?"

Nina ignored them and called Murphy. "Granduncle Murphy, I am at K Nation's Karryie Bar now. Can you get some people to pick me up?"

"Nina, you're in K Nation? Are you here to visit your grandfather? Who are you with? What are you doing there at this hour?"

"Granduncle Murphy, I am planning to head over to the estate to visit Grandpa. Daddy is already there, but I've just arrived in K Nation."

"Hold on. I'll get someone to fetch you now."

"Sorry for the trouble, Granduncle Murphy."

After hanging up the phone, Nina confidently looked at the group of men. "Continue drinking. Someone will be here to accompany you soon!"

The men were at a loss for words.

After thinking about it, the men believed that Nina was merely putting on an act and trying to fool them. How could a young lady like her be related to the respectable Sir Musgrave and the overbearing Murphy Morris? She's probably bluffing. We mustn't be tricked by her.

"Okay, just wait and see! If those from Sir Musgrave's estate and Wicked Palace do not show up, then you girls will be at our mercy!"

"Okay. If the Wicked Palace's men show up, then you will have to do everything as I say. No matter how I torture you, you will not be allowed to utter a single word of complaint, nor can you beg for mercy!"

"All right!"

"Being tortured by a beautiful lady is also a form of enjoyment, actually."

Nina laughed coldly. "Well, you'll be able to have a taste of it soon."

Felicia did not expect Nina to lend her a helping hand. She sincerely said, "Thank you."

With surprise in her eyes, Nina walked toward her. She replied lowly, "Does he know that you're here at such a late hour?"

Felicia froze. She knew who Nina was referring to. She gently shook her head.

"Did you sneak out?"

Felicia remained silent.

Nina exhaled slowly. "This does not have anything to do with him. I helped you because it reminded me of my previous experiences. I don't want to see a woman getting bullied."

Felicia could tell that Nina had some lingering feelings for the man in question.

She hasn't been able to let go of Chris yet!

"Actually, he..." Felicia twiddled her thumbs as her voice trailed off. She seemed to be troubled by something.

Turning to look at Felicia, Nina waited to hear further information about Chris. However, Felicia did not continue her sentence.

Nina smiled bitterly. "You don't have to tell me about his affairs. Actually, I don't wish him well. If he had fallen out with you, that's his just desserts. It's inappropriate for you to hang out with such thugs at this late hour. However, since he chose to be with you, he should suffer the consequences of his actions. He deserves it!"

Felicia sighed. "Ms. Nina, why do you hate him so much? Your hatred toward him is a sign that you haven't let go of him. Well, since he treated you well, I understand why you still can't let go of him!"

Chapter 1422 Chris Is A Good Man

Nina's brows furrowed. "He treated me well?"

After a moment of silence, she sneered. "He was with me for a few years and showered me with promises. Just when I thought he'd marry me, he suddenly wedded you instead. Is that what you mean by treating me well? He cheated on me. He is an unfaithful partner! You ought to be careful, or else you might end up like me as well."

Felicia grinned wryly. "Don't worry about me, Ms. Nina. There will never be an opportunity for me to end up like you. He will never abandon me!"

"You appear to be very certain about that! I hope you will get what you wish for! I hope he will treat you with steadfast loyalty."

"Actually... Actually, Chris is a good man. Though he has abandoned you, I'm envious of you. I will never be dumped by him. Also, he will never have the chance to pamper any other woman apart from you."

Nina didn't know what to say.

Frowning, she thought Felicia's words were rather strange. Before she asked her what she had meant, Murphy's men arrived.

Wicked Palace's butler had accompanied Murphy to Seet Residence before. Thus, he recognized Nina. Walking toward her, he gently bowed. "Ms. Nina, our master instructed us to escort you home."

The hearts of the thugs skipped a beat as they looked at the humble way the butler treated Nina.

This old fogey's attire doesn't look like that of an ordinary person. Could she really be related to someone in Sir Musgrave's estate or Wicked Palace? Or perhaps the girl deliberately hired actors to fool us?

"Are you from Sir Musgrave's estate or Wicked Palace?" A man looked at him jokingly.

The butler looked at the man who had asked the question. With a condescending smile, he replied, "If you get out of the bar, you'd know who we are."

As he did not trust the butler, the man walked out of the bar. Upon seeing the people who stood upright and wore special uniforms outside, he was dumbfounded.

The logo... They are indeed from the Wicked Palace. That girl has connections within Wicked Palace?

He hurriedly entered the bar again. Looking at the rest of the men, he signaled for them to leave.

The other men understood him and rose, beginning to back out of the place.

The butler noticed that and told Nina quietly, "Leave it to me." Nina was like a bystander, waiting to watch a good show.

Those from Wicked Palace swiftly restrained the men before they'd barely stepped foot outside the bar. They then brought them back to Wicked Palace.

Afterward, the men were locked up in dog cages, as Nina wanted to vent her anger on them.

"Those who bully women are nothing but animals. I'll let you feel how it's like to be a dog. Right, all of you had better imitate the howls of a dog and guard the place. If you do so, I'll give you dog food to eat. Otherwise, you all will starve to death here!"

As they looked at the few sheepdogs locked in another cage, their hearts dropped.

Suddenly, one of the sheepdogs barked at them, which scared the pants off them.

Nina's lips curved into a smile. "Now that you've enjoyed the treatment of dogs, you'll have to follow the dog as it howls!"

The men looked at each other. Too embarrassed to speak, they remained silent.

"You're not barking? If you don't make a sound, I'll throw you into the pigsty. You'll have to live with the pigs and eat with them."

The men thought about it for a moment. Even though they were enclosed in dog cages, at least they were separated from the dogs. If they were really trapped in the pigsty and had to live with the pigs, death would be a better option for them.

"So, are you barking? If you don't do it, I will send all of you to the pigsty."

"W-We will bark."

"Do it now!" Nina ordered them.

Without delay, the men barked like a dog as instructed.

When the men barked, the sheepdogs howled more ferociously in response. The backyard was filled with the shouts of both men and dogs. It was very lively all around.

Murphy heard the noise and arrived in the backyard. Upon seeing this scene, he felt that it was funny. However, his heart ached for the sheepdogs.

"If my sheepdogs continue howling like this, their throats will be hurt. They are of an excellent breed, and they're precious."

Chapter 1423 The Weird Dream

"Granduncle Murphy, if you couldn't bear your dogs leaving you, why don't you get a few more?"

After pondering for a while, Murphy answered, "Why don't we send them to a place whereby they can be taken care of? I know a couple of places where they can be wild and free. At the same time, they won't disturb anyone there."

"Sure, let's do that."

Immediately, a few men were sent away by the butler.

"Nina, why did you separate with your father and go to the bar alone?"

"I... I bumped into a friend and followed her," she stammered.

"A friend? Who's that?"

"Chris' wife, Felicia."

In an instant, Murphy's face turned serious. Chris' wife? Chris is already... Since when did he get married?

"Granduncle Murphy, how is K Enterprise doing lately? Is Chris in charge of the company? I bet he's super busy, since he has to take care of it."

That was the reason why she had been spying secretly at the café. After a whole day, she did not catch a glimpse of Chris at the villa.

Murphy's face turned sullen as his suspicion grew. I bet Nina doesn't know about Chris' current state since she's asking me this.

Back then, Sophia had told him that Nina was madly in love with Chris. Therefore, they did not tell her the truth about him, as they were afraid that she could not take the blow.

If that was the case, there was no point for Murphy to let the cat out of the bag.

He figured out the situation and immediately thought of an excuse to brush Nina off.

"Something big is happening in K Enterprise, and since it's the company's affairs, no one would know what he's doing at the moment," he replied firmly.

"Granduncle Murphy, don't you know what's going on?"

"I... I'm not sure either," he stammered. After a while, he added, "Nina, you should move on. You need to learn how to let things go when you have to. After all, there's a long ride ahead of you. You'll understand when you grow older. Why don't you get some rest? Afterward, go visit your grandpa. Your father isn't a man who knows how to take good care of others. Perhaps you can help him out."

"Okay. I know what to do now."

Nina felt a bit melancholic after Murphy left.

I can't believe I failed to find out anything about Chris after coming all the way here. I wonder what Felicia meant earlier. She said that Chris won't have the chance to pamper any woman other than me. What does that mean? Could it be that he's no longer interested in women? Or is he too busy lately? It's impossible that he wouldn't love anyone else. If that's the case, what about Felicia?

She could not help but feel a little uneasy, as she did not understand what was going on.

Furthermore, she felt that it was a pity to let Felicia go.

At that point, she decided that she had to meet Felicia one last time before she left K Nation. Then she would ask Felicia what she meant back then.

Thoughts were constantly running through her mind as she slowly drifted to sleep.

The moment she fell asleep, she dreamt of an extremely odd dream.

In her dream, Chris appeared, followed by Stephen. The two of them were standing next to her, smiling.

Suddenly, they opened their mouths simultaneously and said, "Don't worry, Nina. I'm here." They both sounded the same, and it was as if Chris was the only one talking.

Frowning, Nina could not help but ask, "Which... Which one of you is speaking? What's the relationship between the two of you?"

"Nina, I'll be by your side, always and forever."

"Nina, you'll always be in my heart."

They both replied in unison, and Nina found the situation rather odd.

How is it possible that both of them sound the same? What on earth is going on?

She suddenly felt dizzy as the two of them disappeared. She glanced around warily. In the end, she shouted Chris' name out loud as she sat up abruptly.

Chapter 1424 A Master Plan

She jolted awake. Panting heavily, she caught a glimpse of her surroundings and realized that she was dreaming.

Everything she had dreamt of was still crystal clear in her mind. Why did I dream of such a weird situation? Most importantly, why did I dream of both Chris and Stephen?

She could not help but wonder if it was because Stephen's design concept was too similar to Chris' that she was reminded of Chris whenever she thought of Stephen.

She held her head with her hands. It seemed to her that she was constantly thinking about Chris lately, and it resulted in the dream.

Nina, you need to stop thinking about him. Forget that you didn't hear anything from him, and stop letting him disturb your life! That's right. I need to let him go. Now, all I need to focus on is to take good care of Grandpa.

After breakfast, Murphy instructed someone to take Nina to the duke's estate.

Evan was shocked at Nina's arrival.

"Why did you come?" Evan's voice was cold and stern as his expression turned grave.

"Daddy, I'm here to take care of Grandpa. How is he doing?"

"He doesn't need more people to look after him. Didn't I tell you not to come to K Nation?"

"Daddy, I'm worried about Grandpa. Plus, I came to get some fresh air. Don't be mad at me, Daddy. There's no point getting angry since I'm already here. It'll only ruin your health."

Since Nina had disobeyed her parents and come to K Nation secretly, she had no choice but to sound as sincere as possible.

Evan had his guard up when he heard her response. I bet she came to find out about Chris. If she found out about the truth, there would be hell to pay. I have to think of a way to hide it from her.

"You refused to listen to your parents. Now, you leave me no choice but to punish you."

"How are you going to punish me, Daddy?" she asked, blinking her eyes as she stared at him surprisingly.

"You'll have to look after your grandfather and stand guard by him all the time!"

Stand guard by Grandpa? Is he trying to deter me from leaving the estate?

"Daddy, I'll take care of Grandpa. However, can't I go out once in a while to—"

Before she could finish her sentence, Evan cut her off and interjected, "No. This is your punishment for being such a disobedient daughter. You have no choice but to listen to my orders."

Nina was shocked when she noticed the sudden change in his tone and how furious her father was. With that, she dared not to say a single word.

She knew Evan well, and so she knew that things would not end well for her if she defied him. Who knows? Daddy might even get someone to keep an eye on me. By that time, it'd be impossible for me to get out of the house.

With that, she had come up with a strategy. She would obey him for the time being to lower his guard, then sneaked out of the house when she had a chance.

I've managed to come to K Nation behind his back. It'd be a piece of cake for me to sneak out of the estate later on!

"I'm sorry, Daddy. I'll stay by Grandpa's side all the time and take good care of him."

"That's great. Don't let me down."

She nodded her head in response.

"Go check on him. I believe he's awake."

"Okay."

Nina walked into her grandfather's room obediently. On her way, she kept thinking of ways to escape the estate without Evan finding out.

For a moment, the duke thought he was seeing things as soon as he spotted his granddaughter.

"Nina? Is that you? Why did you come?" His body was still weak as he lay on his bed. At that moment, he was surprised to see her.

"Grandpa, Mommy can't look after you, as she's pretty occupied. So, I'm here to take care of you. Please let me know whatever you need. I'll do my very best for you," she said.

"You're such a caring child, Nina."

"I'm just doing what I should, Grandpa."

As Nina sat chatting with her grandfather, an idea popped up in her mind as she finally came up with a master plan to escape the estate.

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For Nina, the most important thing she should do right then was to establish a good relationship with her grandfather. After I'm close with Grandpa, he'll definitely agree to everything I say. Haha! Daddy, have you forgotten who I am? Unlike Maya, I'm not an honest person. I'm Nina, the wiser one. I guess I have to let you down again! However, you won't have the reason to punish me no matter how disappointed you feel. Just wait and see!

Meanwhile, Juan gave Sally a call before heading to Xander's place. "We're going to start investigating Xander. I'll pick you up now. You have to visit his place with me."

"Why do you need me to follow you? He's just a small fry."

"Why? You don't want to go? Are you afraid that Xander will expose you? You're scared that we'll find out your true colors, aren't you? Or are you—"

"Nonsense. You're really good at twisting the facts, huh? You want to use me for your investigation, but you insist on making a false accusation against me. How dare you still have the audacity to call me a cunning fox? You're the most devious and pretentious person here!"

"Since you know that I'm no gentleman, you better stay obedient to me. Otherwise, you'll have to pay for it. My wickedness knows no bounds!"

Sally snorted. "Do you think I'm frightened of you? The reason I promised to help you with the investigation isn't that I'm scared of you. It's just because your mother is a good person! She's a kind and benevolent doctor, so she doesn't deserve to be slandered like that! That has nothing to do with how evil you are. Also, let me give you a friendly reminder. I'm not a good person either. I can be even crueler if I want to!"

"Fine! Fine! We should stop threatening each other. I'll go pick you up right now. We're going to meet Xander."

Sally was already waiting outside her apartment when Juan arrived in his car.

"Wow! You're really waiting here? You're so obedient!"

"Cut the crap. I don't want to waste my precious time on you."

"You're talking to me in such an annoying manner again. I bet you would never act like this if Kyle was the one here instead. You'd definitely pretend to be a kind, caring lady in front of him. I know what you're thinking. You want him to think of you as a good woman, right?"

Sally frowned. Kyle thought of her as a caring woman because they used to take care of Zachary and the elderly in Bernian Hospital.

She was sincere toward the patients, and she had never pretended to be kind. That was her true feeling.

However, Sally could not be bothered explaining all of those to Juan.

After all, she felt it was pointless to explain to someone who had been holding prejudices against her.

Besides, she knew that Juan had the reason to suspect her, since she had some ulterior motives toward the Seet family.

Suddenly, Sally received two text messages on her phone. She unlocked the screen impatiently. As soon as she finished reading them, she urged Juan, "I think we should stop arguing about that. Something more important came up!"

Juan glanced at her phone. He then drove in the direction of Xander's house without saying anything.

However, as they arrived at Xander's house, something unexpected happened.

"Why are there so many people?"

"They're blocking our way. What's going on? Let's go down to have a look."

Juan and Sally got off the car and walked straight toward the crowds.

After walking closer, they noticed that it was a crash site. The deceased had died terrifyingly on the spot. The crowd could not help but discuss the car accident.

"Such a poor thing! How did he get killed all of a sudden?"

"I know, right? A car appeared out of the blue and knocked that man over. That was scary!"