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Stephen had always known that Levant's true identity was anything but ordinary; still, he was nervous when he was that close to the truth.

Portia scoffed and said, "He is Murphy's son, Murphy's biological son!"

No one spoke.

Waves of surprise smashed into Stephen after Portia told everyone the truth. It was so shocking that Stephen had a hard time standing still.

He turned to Portia; he couldn't figure out why she would adopt Murphy's son.

They both knew how scary and powerful Murphy was.

"Who is Murphy?" asked Nicole. The door to the secret passageway flung open as soon as she asked that question. Jeremy had returned to report something urgent.

"Mr. Seet, something terrible happened. We had just exited the cave when a mysterious group showed up and took Levant away."

No one said a word.

Stephen's face darkened.

The leader of that mysterious group was probably Murphy himself.

If Murphy had rescued and taken Levant away, then it was likely that a bloodbath was coming for the Musgrave Estate.

"Investigate the matter and find out who they are," instructed Evan. Portia suddenly sneered.

"There's no need for that. The ones who took Levant away must be Murphy's men. Stephen Musgrave, your enemy has shown up."

"Who is Murphy?" asked Nicole again.

"He is just the head of a bunch of hooligans. I am the duke, so naturally, I can deal with him with ease. You guys don't need to worry at all. I will have my men look into the matter and settle it accordingly. Go pack your things and leave as soon as possible," instructed Stephen.

Nicole was rendered speechless.

He is chasing us away so eagerly. That Murphy must be a force to be reckoned with.

Evan kept quiet. He thought that Stephen's life wouldn't be threatened regardless of how powerful Murphy was.

After all, the estate had tons of guards and servants, and they were all somewhat capable.

Moreover, Levant had been taken away. If he somehow regained his memory, his first target would be Evan.

Staying in the country might not be a wise choice, given the situation. It's probably better for us to monitor Levant and Murphy from a distance and act accordingly.

Before Evan left the country, he instructed Jeremy to keep a close eye on the estate and to report directly to him should anything happen.

"Don't worry, Mr. Seet. I know what to do."

Evan and Nicole stood outside the estate. Nicole couldn't help thinking that Stephen looked strange when Murphy's name was mentioned.

"Will something bad happen?"

"No, and stop overthinking everything."

Nicole sighed internally. She prayed that everything would be fine with Stephen.

On the plane.

Nicole turned to Evan and asked, "Do you think the others will be frightened when they see you?"

Only then did Evan recall that everyone else thought that he had died when the plane crashed.

They will be so surprised when they see me alive and standing in front of them.

"Should I put on a disguise and only show up when the timing is right?"

When the timing is right...

Nicole thought about it. That makes sense, too. We have no idea how the Seet Group is doing. If other factions had been trying to steal the company's shares from our family, they will be scared sh\*tless when Evan shows up.

The only problem was that they didn't know if their kids had already blabbed about Evan being alive.

Evan then called John to ask about the situation.

The call was picked up soon after.

"Don't worry, Mr. Seet. I reminded the kids right after we landed and told them not to say a word about it."

Huh, my kids are pretty tight-lipped. Good, it'll be much easier for me to deal with the matter that way.

Evan hung up the call and turned to Nicole.

"I'll put on the Yoda mask when we reach the Seet residence."

Nicole nodded.

I wonder if Sophia and Jonathan will kick their son's butt after learning about him faking his own death.

Nicole planned to sit back with her popcorn and watch the drama unfold if that actually happened.

Evan had tricked Nicole as well, so she knew what it felt like to be fooled. I'll be understanding and allow the victims to vent their frustration as they see fit.

At the Seet residence.

The quadruplets turned and smiled at one another when they saw Nicole walking in with Yoda right beside her.

It's Daddy in that scary mask again. Looks like we have to play along with them.

"Mommy, I miss you so much."

"It's only been two days, and you miss me already?"

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"I miss you too, Mommy."

"Mommy, we also miss you!"

Nicole looked like a tree with koala bears hanging onto it when she held her kids all at once. Juan, in particular, clung to her foot.

Juan later secretly whispered beside Nicole's ear. "I'm going to tell you a secret, Mommy. Uncle Davin has crossed the line this time. He insisted on marrying an escort, who is driving grandma and grandpa insane."

Nicole suddenly recalled her discussion with Sheila and Davin when she was still in K Nation.

The escort was a rude and problematic woman with a terrible attitude. She completely disregarded Nicole.

How did she put it back then? I think her exact words were something like, "Evan is dead, so Nicole is nothing but a piece of sh\*t." Oh, that b\*tch. I have got to see what her sorry a\*s looks like."

Nicole secretly asked Juan, "Have you met that escort before? Is she prettier than Ms. Sheila?"

Juan shook his head.

Nicole was deep in thought. She was back in the country, so it was likely that they would meet soon.

Sophia walked down the stairs with her hand on her chest. She was both surprised and excited to see Nicole there.

Sophia didn't think that Nicole would return that quickly because the quadruplets said nothing about that.

"Nicole, you're back. That's amazing. I'm so glad to see you."

Nicole grinned and asked, "How have you been?"

Sophia looked pale She looked like she had just gone through a terrible ordeal and was in a messed up mental state. It was obvious that she was troubled.

Sophia sighed and started complaining about all the horrid things Davin had done.

Nicole was flabbergasted after hearing what Sophia shared. Even Yoda, who had been standing at the side, couldn't help frowning.

The man Sophia was describing... Was that really the Davin they knew?

Back then, he respected and feared his mother the most, but he had completely changed and was now ridiculously rebellious. That surprised everyone.

"Don't worry, I will go talk to him this afternoon and find out what is going on."

Sophia was stunned when she heard that. She advised, "Nicole, don't go talk to that stupid son of mine just yet. Instead, drop by the kindergarten this afternoon. The kids' teacher asked to meet their parents, but I am getting too old. My back is killing me and my headache worsened after my argument with Davin. Honestly, I..."

Nicole was heartbroken when she saw Sophia's ailing state. As the mother, it was only right for Nicole to go to the kindergarten anyway, so she replied, "Okay, I'll go to the kindergarten."

"Good."

Sophia held Nicole's hand tightly. The former was comforted by the latter's presence. Sophia later turned around and instructed the maids to prepare lunch.

Nicole deliberately asked about Seet Group's wellbeing during lunch. After that, she shot a look at Yoda, hinting at the latter to listen closely.

Yoda received the message with a slight nod.

Both of them turned to Sophia after that.

Sophia frowned and sighed with a heavy heart.

"Davin focused all of his attention on that escort and is not as attentive towards the company's wellbeing as he used to be. Because of this, the other factions of the family started to target the company. They would already have taken over the company if Jonathan hadn't been working extra hard to counter them. I heard that they have a plan in mind and will be trying to snatch Seet Group away. I honestly don't know how long Jonathan can keep them at bay," said Sophia, who thought about Evan at that moment. With a broken heart, she wiped her tears away and commented, "They wouldn't dare to even think about taking over Seet Group if Evan were still around. Oh, my beautiful boy. How can you leave this world before your father and me?"

"Don't worry, Sophia. Seet Group will be just fine. It will return to its former self soon," promised Nicole before she turned to Yoda.

Yoda's eyes showed his constraints. He didn't want to see his mother so depressed.

He sighed internally. Don't worry, Mom. I will settle the matter quickly. I promise!

Time passed quickly, and it was time to go to the kindergarten. Yoda drove Nicole and the quadruplets over.

On their way, Nicole turned to the children and asked curiously, "Why did your teacher ask to meet me? Did you guys do anything wrong?"

Juan and Kyle shook their heads simultaneously before sneaking a peek at Maya.

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Maya tilted her head down in fear while rubbing her round and chubby hands. She didn't say a word and sat there like an adorable, harmless baby.

Nina remained quiet as well. She had her head held high like she had nothing to do with today's meeting.

Nicole thought that of her four children, Juan and Kyle were the naughtiest, so she calmed down after seeing the boys shake their heads.

She guessed that the teacher had asked to see her because the kids had skipped too many classes. I will probably be asked to help the kids study so they can catch up with the others.

The car arrived at the kindergarten soon after. Nicole hopped out of the car and followed the kids to their classroom.

Maya, however, struggled. Will Mommy be criticized? Should I warn her?

Maya hesitated for a long time, but even as they reached their classroom, the girl was still not brave enough to confess.

"Okay, you four go to your classroom. I'll head to your teacher's office."

"Goodbye, Mommy."

"Bye, Mommy."

"Bye-bye, Mommy."

Nina, Kyle, and Juan bid Nicole goodbye. Maya was the only one who took forever to mutter, "Mommy, t-take care."

Nicole had her head up high and strode to the teacher's office with a bright smile on her face.

"Hello, I am Kyle, Maya, Nina, and Juan's mother. You're their teacher, right?"

The teacher scanned Nicole from head to toe. The former's face darkened when she saw how the latter was grinning.

"Maya's mommy, I asked you here today because I want to talk to you about the kids' education."

Nicole put her grin away when she saw how serious the teacher was behaving. Respectfully, Nicole looked right into the teacher's eyes and agreed, "You're right. The children's education is important. Please share your opinion and advice on the matter."

The teacher, Ms. Patty, cleared her throat and glared sternly at Nicole. "Maya's mom, your child gave the teachers degrading nicknames. As a parent, don't you think you should teach them a lesson about that?"

Giving the teacher a degrading nickname?

Nicole thought of Juan and Kyle the second she heard that.

Ah, those two naughty rug rats. They swore that they were innocent when we were heading over! They gave their teachers degrading nicknames. How is that not wrong? I've got to punish them at home.

"I'm so sorry. It's my children's fault for calling you names. Please don't be angry. I apologize on behalf of Juan and Kyle, and I promise I will punish them for it."

Ms. Patty's stance softened when she saw how sincere Nicole was, so she corrected her nicely, "Juan and Kyle are not the ones who came up with the nicknames. It's Maya. Please talk to Maya about it and don't let it happen again."

Nicole was flabbergasted. She thought that she heard it wrongly.

In a voice filled with uncertainty, she asked, "Ms. Patty, did you say that the one who came up with the nicknames is Maya?"

"Yes," replied Ms. Patty firmly.

Nicole frowned. Maya is the most obedient among my four kids. I can't believe she did something like that.

Ms. Patty shared her findings and some evidence when she saw the suspicion in Nicole's eyes.

"Maya gave a few teachers nicknames. For instance, her nickname for me is Ms. Platypus."

Nicole was speechless. My Maya is that naughty? She could only grin awkwardly and apologize again to the teacher.

Ms. Patty shot her a stern look and added, "She also gave other teachers different nicknames. They are so degrading that I am too embarrassed to even share them. Please go home and have a proper conversation with your child about it."

Nicole couldn't speak.

Different nicknames for different teachers? Is Maya really that smart?

Nicole didn't know what to say.

If Maya truly had done all that, then she definitely overstepped.

"Don't worry, Ms. Patty, I will definitely talk to Maya about this. It won't happen again," promised Nicole.

After apologizing profusely, Nicole left the teacher's office with a heavy heart.

She would never have guessed that she was asked to drop by the school for that!

Evan had been waiting for Nicole in the car. She sighed deeply upon getting in.

Only then did she learn why Sophia had her come to the school instead. Sophia is probably too embarrassed to come because she knows about Maya calling her teachers names.

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Darn it, if I had known what I was walking into, I-I would've gotten Evan to do that in my place.

Seeing how terrible Nicole looked, Evan asked her what was wrong.

"Go talk to your daughter when you get home. Don't let her give her teachers nicknames again."

Evan turned around and stared curiously at her.

"What did Nina call her teacher?"

Nicole rolled her eyes and pointed out, "Don't put the blame on Nina. Maya is the one who did it, not Nina."

"Maya?"

Evan was just as shocked as Nicole was when she first heard about it.

"Yes, Maya! Go ask her what nicknames she gave the teachers, and find out how she even came up with those names in the first place!"

"Alright, alright. I'll go talk to her about it. Shall we go see Davin now?"

Nicole checked how Evan looked with the Yoda mask on. It was likely that no one would recognize him.

"Sure, let's head over to the Seet Group."

Evan hurriedly drove to the Seet Group building.

Along the way, Nicole called Davin to ask him where he was.

Davin was surprised to be receiving a call from Nicole.

"What's up, Nicole?"

"I'm back in the country and am heading over to the office. Are you there?"

"I-I'm at the bar."

"Davin Seet, you are at the bar during working hours? A-Are you really going to let Seet Group crumble?"

Davin turned to the escort beside him, looking troubled.

"I'm busy and have to go, Nicole. Bye."

Davin hung up, which infuriated Nicole.

Sitting next to Nicole and driving, Evan couldn't help being curious. How did Davin end up like that?

"Should we go to Seet Group? Or do we go to the bar to find him?"

"Let's drop by Seet Group first. We'll head over to the bar later."

When they arrived at the Seet Group building, Nicole got out of the car with the masked Evan.

Evan stood at the main entrance of the building and stared emotionally at the company that he had spent years fighting for and building.

Evan had sweat and bled for the company——it was like a child he had been raising for years. Yet, he had only been gone for a few months and the company was already at risk of being taken over.

Evan refused to let something like that happen.

"Let's head in and see how things are now."

"Okay."

Nicole forged ahead while Evan followed closely behind with his Yoda mask on.

Nicole's sudden appearance got the company's employees talking. Many of them couldn't contain their curiosity, who then gathered to gossip.

"Why is Mr. Seet's wife suddenly showing up here?"

"I don't know, either. Last I heard, she left the country with the owner of Levant Winery."

"The company is fighting a civil war now, and as employees, we are in terrible shape. We have to listen to every single person's orders. None of this would have happened if Mr. Seet is still around."

"Did she come to the office to get her hands on the Seet Group as well?"

"If that's the case, the company will see yet another round of showdown."

"……"

The staff finally resumed working after they finished gossiping.

Nicole led Yoda to the top floor.

She held Yoda's hand tightly when they were alone in the elevator. "I trust you. Everything will belong to you once more in no time," said Nicole.

Yoda nodded.

The only problem was that they had been away for a few months, so they had no idea who was the one holding all the power. They also didn't know how segregated the company was, how much resources had slipped out of the company's grasp, or how much internal damage had been done. They would have to investigate everything carefully.

They were approaching the president's office when they heard Adam and Lisa in an argument inside the office.

What the hell are they doing here?

When they listened closely, they could tell that Adam and Lisa were scolding someone.

Lisa's piercing voice went, "You are nothing but a scoundrel taken in by Seet Group. You will do as instructed and will not talk back at us!"

"Exactly. Do your job and reassign these projects to me right away. We won't treat you poorly after you accomplish your task. Whatever Evan offered you back then, we will offer even more!"

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"That's right. Evan Seet is dead so you should abandon that sinking ship."

Nicole frowned and commented, "They are scolding John. Wait, didn't you scar Lisa's face? Why would a proud woman like her show up and bark so loudly when she has an ugly scar on her face?"

Yoda was taken aback as well.

"Let's head in and see what's going on. John can't handle them for long."

Nicole nodded before reaching out to open the door to the president's office.

Bam! Both Lisa and Adam were surprised by the door flinging open.

Their faces shone with distaste when they saw that the person standing by the door was Nicole. They immediately had their guard up.

Nicole examined Lisa's face. Holy f\*ck! They definitely hired an expert to perform plastic surgery on her! D\*mn, that expert managed to fix her face after Evan disfigured it to that extent? I'm impressed by the expert's skill!

"What are you doing here, Nicole?"

Adam's hostile voice made Nicole come back to reality.

"I don't need to report to you when or why I am here," said Nicole before she strode to the desk and placed her bag on the side. She acted naturally as if she was walking into her own office.

No one spoke.

Adam choked on that. He heard about how Nicole went to K Nation with Levant and how the kids also followed her. Back then, Adam thought that it was good news because it'd mean that there was less competition for the Seet family's wealth. He never dreamed that Nicole would be back.

Did she come back to get her hands on the Seet Group?

Lisa wasn't going to sit around idly and endure it all. She assessed Nicole from head to toe and dissed, "This is the Seet family's company. You've already abandoned everything and eloped with your lover. How could you walk back in here so shamelessly?"

"What makes you think that I left with my lover?" interrogated Nicole as she glared at Lisa.

"Everyone knows about how you eloped with the owner of Levant Winery. What's wrong? Did the guy dump you? Is that why you have shamelessly returned, to try to take advantage of the Seet Group?"

What the hell? I left with Levant to find my biological father. How did that turn into me eloping with Levant?

Lisa's ignorant attitude and gossipy tongue could sprout so much bullsh\*t that even the cows would be jealous of her.

There's no need to be polite with unreasonable morons like that.

Nicole put on a smile and taunted Lisa, "You're absolutely right. I'm back to take over the company, so you can expect an even tougher battle ahead. Let's see which one of us will be more capable to claim Seet Group."

F\*ck! That devil of a woman has grown even more shameless after her trip overseas. She actually voiced her vile intention aloud!

"Y-you despicable b\*tch. You have no right or claim to Seet Group!"

"Mrs. Seet definitely has the right and a say in the company. She gave birth to all four of Mr. Seet's children, and the company is Mr. Seet's heart and soul. Naturally, Mrs. Seet and her kids have authority over the company's affairs." John stepped forward to defend Nicole.

John knew that Evan was standing at the side disguised as Yoda. I don't need to worry about Adam and Lisa's empty barks when Mr. Seet is right there.

"Hmph, you f\*cking dumb\*ss!" dissed Lisa. Her eyes shot daggers at John because she never thought John would dare speak up for Nicole. After that, Lisa added, "You're actually defending her? She's nothing but a helpless widow who can't protect you. Open your eyes and figure out who the real boss is over here!"

"Exactly. I can have Davin fire you, John."

John shrugged. "I don't think Mr. Davin will listen to you."

"You don't believe me? Fine, I'll show you what I can do. Just you wait!"

Adam looked confident as he took his phone out of his pocket to make a call.

After hanging up, Adam smirked at John and said, "Just you wait. Davin is on his way back to fire you right now!"

Nicole frowned. She had called Davin on the way over but he said he was busy.

Adam just called Davin; will Davin really make it here?

Yoda was curious about that as well.

However, the person that Adam called just now did not sound like Davin. It was likely that Adam had called someone else.

That sounded like a woman's voice. Could that be the escort?

Yoda and Nicole turned to one another. They simultaneously thought that Adam might be the one who got the escort to hang out with Davin.