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Gritting his teeth, Zayne nodded. "I have met Mr. Lewis before," he answered ambiguously. After all, meeting Tommy before didn't necessarily mean that he knew him. "Initially, all you had to do was to beg for forgiveness on your knees. However, I didn't expect you to go around lying in the name of Mr. Lewis. Because of that, none of you are leaving here today." Bob's voice was so piercing cold that it sent a chill down everyone's spine.

"Hahaha, you are really just a bunch of kids. Do you know who this guy in front of you is? He is Mr. Hoffman's best fighter. As for Mr. Hoffman, he is one of Mr. Lewis' closest lieutenants. And yet, you got carried away and boasted in front of him about knowing Mr. Lewis." Josh began to burst into a hearty laughter. Given that they were just a bunch of ordinary folks, Josh had seen through their lies about knowing Tommy.

Having heard Josh's words, Zayne broke out in cold sweat. He had not expected his bragging to land him in such deep trouble. Unfortunately, his subordinates thought differently due to their belief that he actually knew Tommy. As for Maria, she wholeheartedly believed the lie still. Even if Zayne didn't really know Tommy, he would have a friend that did. Or else, Tommy wouldn't have helped her family recover the debt that they were owed.

Deciding to relent, Zayne began to apologize, "Mr. Queen, just now, my friends had too much to drink. Therefore, I would like to say I'm sorry and hope—" Before he could finish, Bob interrupted, "For abusing Mr. Lewis' name, you're not going to get away with just an apology. Whether you live or die, fate will determine it for you." With that, Bob turned to his men. "Take everyone away and let Mr. Hoffman decide what to do with them." The next moment, more than ten fearsome men surrounded the group, terrifying everyone including Zayne and Maria.

At the same time, Troy, who was at a corner, was trembling in fear. Having wet his pants, he was gripping onto Jared tightly. He had just graduated recently and never faced such a situation before. Consequently, he was given the shock of his life. When Jared saw how frightened Troy was, he patted him on the shoulder. "Relax, it will be fine." Soon, Zayne and the rest were led to Charlie's office. Meanwhile, Charlie was resting with his eyes closed, enjoying a massage by his secretary.

When he saw Bob suddenly enter with the group, he knitted his brows and asked, "Bob, why did you bring a bunch of kids in here?" "Mr. Hoffman, these are the guys who beat up Mr. Queen's man," Bob replied. "Didn't I ask you to deal with it? What did you bring them here for?" Charlie was clearly upset. "Mr. Hoffman, this man claims that he knows Mr. Lewis and is in fact close to him. That's why I brought him to you to be judged," Bob quickly explained.

"What?" Charlie sat up straight immediately before squinting his eyes at Zayne. "You know Mr. Lewis?" "I-I..." Zayne began to stammer. "My friend knows him." "What is your friend's name? I have worked for Mr. Lewis for a long time and know all the names of his friends," Charlie pressed on with his questions.

At that moment, Zayne was stumped. Evidently, none of his friends knew Tommy. In fact, there was no way someone of his lowly stature would be connected to Tommy in any way. *Bam!* All of a sudden, Charlie banged on the table and got to his feet. "How dare you abuse Mr. Lewis' name!"