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Chapter 1521

Seraphina remained quiet and observed Renee to test her theory.

"Seraphina?" Renee turned towards Seraphina and asked indifferently.

"So, you finally noticed me." Seraphina crossed her arms in front of her chest and studied Renee carefully. She was certain that there was something wrong with Renee's eyes, but Renee seemed strangely calm.

"Of course." Renee sat on a chair, pointed at the vacant seat beside her, and said casually, "I've been waiting for you to come to me, but I didn't expect you to take this long to do it. Rather generous of you."

Seraphina's doubts grew. Although Renee was wearing a pair of sunglasses and looked like a blind person, her actions and behavior didn't add up. Taking a deep breath,

Seraphina sat on the vacant chair beside Renee. "You're being generous too. It's funny that you're so enthusiastic and friendly towards your enemy."

However, Renee quietly picked up a cup of coffee and sipped it before touching Abby's head. "Go and play with Margaret, Abby. I'll chat with her for a bit."

"No, she looks like a bad person. I'm afraid that she'll bully you." Abby hugged Renee tightly and glared at Seraphina. "

Plus, I'm sure she's here to snatch Daddy away. I'll never let Seraphina. "Plus, I'm sure she's here to snatch Daddy away. I'll never let her have her way!"

"Don't worry, Abby. He'll always be your daddy and no one can snatch him away. I'm just going to chat with her about your daddy, so be good and go play, okay?"

"Okay, be careful, Mommy. Scream if anything happens. We'll rush over right away to protect you!" With a final glare at Seraphina, Abby left the yard.

After observing Renee briefly, Seraphina figured that she had just been overthinking, and that her eyes were fine. "You're so happy having your kids and husband with you, huh? It hasn't even been a year but you've conveniently forgotten about our deal."

Seraphina smacked the table and said to Renee fiercely,

"You told me you would let me take good care of Stefan and spend the rest of my life with him. When he was so weak, I took care of him until he got better and resolved all the crises of Hunt Enterprise. Before I could even spend time with him, you snatched him away. Aren't you going too far? Do you take me for a fool?"

"Calm down." Renee smiled and said bluntly, "Once I knew that you were wicked enough to mess with Stefan's brain, I decided that I wouldn't let you have him. Don't you see? You did this to yourself."

"I... I didn't do anything to his brain. Don't speak rubbish." Seraphina's confidence immediately fizzled out, and anxiety filled her. Only she, Jovan, and the surgeon who did the surgery for Stefan knew about it, so how did Renee find out?

"Don't deny it. I've got a detailed report of Stefan's brain surgery from Dr. Wagner. Maybe you can have a look at it," Renee said nonchalantly, crossing her arms.

Seraphina's eyes widened. "What?"

"Dr. Wagner wanted to send it to Stefan, but he let me Tread it first because he didn't want Stefan's recovery to be affected." Renee turned to Seraphina and smiled widely. "Do you think I should send it to Stefan?"

Chapter 1522

"Are you threatening me, Renee?" Seraphina snarled at Renee furiously.

"No, I'm not." Again, Renee calmly sipped her coffee and faked a smile. "I don't care if you don't like me, but you have no right to judge me as if you're so naive and innocent. I don't think breaking my promise is a big deal compared to what you did." She had promised Seraphina that she would leave Stefan and let them be a happy couple, but it was under the condition that Seraphina sincerely loved Stefan and wanted the best for him. Unexpectedly, her means were so extreme that she did not hesitate to ruin Stefan's health, so of course Renee was reluctant to leave Stefan in Seraphina's care.

"Who knows what you'll do to Stefan if you no longer love him one day? I won't let him take such a risk," Renee said clearly. Of course, the person who loved Stefan the most was Renee. Back then, she had left for the sake of her and Stefan's happiness, but all that had done was bring them pain. After some contemplation, she felt that it was better to be with Stefan and face any challenges together, because only they could give each other happiness.

Seraphina's eyes were bright with anger as she said stubbornly, "Til always love him, and I'm willing to sacrifice everything for him. I can do anything for him, including ruining him!"

"You're out of your mind, Seraphina. You don't know what love is, and the only person you love is yourself!" Renee snapped, but Seraphina's words had scared her. She felt that love was about giving and understanding, but Seraphina wanted nothing but to hurt her beloved and herself.

"So what if I only love myself? My goal is to make him mine. I grew up with him, and I decided I would be his bride when we were still kids. When we used to play house as children, he was my husband, and I was his wife, and it'll be the same now that we're adults. If you want to take him away, I'll fight you

for him. There's nothing I can't have in this world!" Seraphina laughed hysterically. In her mind, life was just a game, and she didn't care how much of a mess she made as long as she won in the end.

"What are you going to do?" Renee asked Seraphina worriedly. Seraphina reminded her of Jovan-both of them could go to extremes for the sake of their love affairs. If they conspired with each other, they might create an enormous mess in Beach City and ruin a lot of people.

Chapter 1523

“Didn’t I tell you? I don’t mind ruining Stefan in order to make him mine. He’ll know how important I am to him once he’s left with nothing and nobody, then he’ll come back to me,” Seraphina said confidently, a sinister smile on her face.

“How ridiculous!” Renee snorted. “He’s a human, not a toy. Do you think you can ruin him just because you want to? Plus... he’ll never be alone. His parents, family, the kids, and I won’t leave him no matter what position he holds.”

“You’re just saying that because you haven’t experienced it yet. If he becomes a target of scorn, and bad things happen when you both are together, will you still stay with him?”

Renee shook her head. “That day will never come.”

“Why not? Hunt Enterprise is coming to an end, and his body can’t hold on for long. By then, everyone will despise him, and he’ll end up with nothing. He’ll just be another worthless person saddled with debt. Don’t tell me you’ll still stick by him even then?”

“Firstly, he’ll never be worthless. Secondly, I’m not a pushover. Even if he falls, I can take his place. Although I’m not rich, I own two small companies with pretty good profits. It’s enough for us to lead a worry-free life.” The two companies Renee meant were the emerging Azure Group, a new technology company, and KCL Holdings, a longstanding company with immeasurable strength. Seraphina had no idea that Renee headed those two companies. If Seraphina knew how powerful Renee was, she would probably leave in shame.

“Hmph! They’re only two small companies, so it’s just wishful thinking that they’d be able to pay off the debts of a large company like Hunt Enterprise. If I were you, I would break up with Stefan for his sake so he won’t be targeted. He would then gain the support of my family and have the chance to win

instead!” Seraphina said meaningfully. As long as Renee was willing to give Stefan up, the Murphy family could assist Stefan to soldier through that crisis at anytime.

Renee laughed again. “I’m sure you persuaded Stefan like this back then—you promised to help him through the crisis by asking him to break up with me. Or... you forced him to break up with me so he could protect me. Well, he believed you and broke up with me, and now you’re trying the same method again to make me leave. But I’m not as noble as Stefan. I enjoy being with him, and I don’t want to break up with him.”

“How dare you!” Enraged, Seraphina got to her feet and pointed at Renee. “How could you be so selfish? Didn’t you hear what I said? He’s doomed. Do you want to see that?”

“Selfish?” Renee grinned and said, “You were the one who taught me that women should only consider their own welfare and happiness. What’s wrong with that?”

“You... You can’t do this!” Seraphina stomped her foot in anger. However, before she could speak again, cold water splashed onto her face. Seraphina couldn’t even open her

eyes as she coughed and spluttered. “What...”

“Bad woman! Get out of my house now, or I’m going to use a bigger gun!” Adie threatened Seraphina fiercely as he pointed a water gun at her.

Chapter 1524

Seraphina tried her best to open her eyes. When she realized that it was Adie, the kid who had pushed her into the pond, she was furious. "You little brat! You nearly drowned me earlier, and here you are provoking me again. Do you have a death wish?" She snarled, rushing towards Adie.

However, Adie sprayed her face with water again before she could approach him. Putting his hand on his waist, Adie warned her, "You're not our guest, and you're not welcome here. Please leave, or I'm going to spray you with toilet water instead."

"How dare you!" Seraphina could not accept being bullied by a child, and lunged at Adie. However, Adie was smart, and nimbly avoided her as she chased him. Finally, she tripped and went crashing to the ground, spitting out a mouthful of grass and soil.

"Show some mercy, Adie. After all, she's a woman," Renee reminded Adie kindly as she drank her coffee elegantly.

"I've been trying to make it easy for her, Mommy, but this crazy woman wants to mess with me... Plus, she's not a woman-she's a wicked villain! She nearly pushed me into the pond the other day," Adie complained, pouting. He would have used his ultimate move if Renee had not stopped him.

"What? She pushed you into the pond?" Renee sat up anxiously, then turned towards Seraphina's direction. "Is my

son telling the truth? Are you so crazy that you'd harm a child?" She knew Seraphina was arrogant and domineering because she was from a rich family, but no matter how much she hated Renee, harming children was unacceptable.

Finally, Seraphina crawled up from the ground. Her clothes were drenched, her hair was all over the place, and her mouth was full of dirt. She was so humiliated that she wanted to cry. She pointed at Adie and yelled, "I did try to push him into the pond, but he's no kid... He's a demon!"

"I'm going to spray you with water again if you're rude!" Adie aimed the water gun at Seraphina and threatened.

"No!" Seraphina covered her head with her hands, looking terrified.

"That's enough, Adie." Renee stopped Adie, then got to her feet and carefully made her way over to Seraphina. "I won't let you off the hook since you tried to push my son into the pond."

Seraphina scoffed, "Is that so? What do you want to do then? You don't have any money or power to fight my family. You..."

Renee slapped Seraphina hard before she could finish, and Seraphina gaped at her in shock. Holding her face, she looked at Renee in disbelief. "You... You... How dare you slap n

Renee slapped Seraphina again, and ordered, "Say sorry to my son, or I'll keep on slapping you until you do."

"How dare you! My family will never let you go. I—" Smack!

“Renee, I’ll fight you-“

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Smack!

“You did it again! I’m going to tell Dad and ask him to crush this lousy place of yours!” Seraphina wailed as she touched her swollen cheek. She fled, not even realizing that Renee was blind.

“Mommy, you’re so cool. You drove her away so fast. You’re a hero!” Hugging Renee’s waist, Abby looked up at her mother in admiration. “I want to be a hero like you too when I grow up.”

“No, be a princess instead. Don’t get into trouble,” Renee touched Abby’s head and said gently.

Adie, however, was not satisfied. “That woman is a villain, Mommy. She came here to find fault with us, but you let her go with only a few slaps. Weren’t you too easy on her?”

‘Adie, you’ve already vented your anger on her, so there’s no need to overdo it. Although she’s not nice, she’s not so bad that it’s unforgivable. She’s just a little stubborn. Plus, she’s a victim in this affair too. She’s quite pitiful, and she’s been punished enough today,” Renee patiently tried to persuade Adie. Despite Seraphina’s radical actions, Renee had a good impression of her. Seraphina was straightforward, and she sincerely loved Stefan. If the both of them had not fallen in love with the same man, they might have been friends.

Renee was much more scared of those who secretly plotted against them than Seraphina who was straightforward in her revenge. When she thought about it, a figure appeared in her mind, making her shiver. It was Briar, the woman who had passed away. Renee had accidentally pushed Briar off a cliff to protect herself, and she had felt guilty ever since. She had wanted to confess to her crime many times but couldn’t bear to leave the children and Stefan. She knew she had no choice but to push Briar off, because if she hadn’t, Renee would’ve been pushed off instead.

“Mommy! Mommy!” Adie called softly as he held her hand.

Renee snapped back to reality and asked in Adie’s direction, “What’s the matter, Adie?”

“I think that bad woman won’t let things go like this. Should we hire some bodyguards to protect us?” Although Adie was young, he did things meticulously. Since Stefan was not around, Adie considered himself the man of the house. He would bear the responsibility of protecting Renee, Abby, and Margaret.

“I don’t think she’ll pester us; she’s just here to show off and scold me. Now that she knows I won’t leave your father, she might not focus on me...” Renee felt that Seraphina would focus on how to ruin Stefan instead, and to do that, she would probably conspire with Jovan. Stefan was the one who had to worry, not them...

“Should we just ignore her then?” Adie was still a little worried.

“Yes, we’ll go on as usual,” Renee replied calmly.

She had no idea that there was somebody else targeting them that would prove to be more troublesome than Seraphina.

Chapter 1526

Stefan's late arrival at Hunt Enterprise upset the shareholders greatly. They were already unhappy with him because the sales report from the secretary had been dissatisfactory, and the atmosphere in the room was tense when he entered.

"You saw it, didn't you, Mr. Hunt? The profits for this year have plummeted, and our stock price has been decreasing. Undeniably, the company is on the verge of death. As the head of Hunt Enterprise, I wonder what your solution to this is." Shane Webb, one of the seven large shareholders, rarely appeared. He only came during the annual shareholder meeting, and he was always the most crafty and unkind. He never took Stefan seriously because he owned the most shares besides the Hunts.

"In the world of business, it's inevitable that profits will fluctuate. You never mentioned the dramatic rise in profits after Mr. Hunt took over Hunt Enterprise, and this is just a minor setback. Isn't it normal? The economy for the past two years has been bad, and most companies have been suffering losses, but our company had the least losses. I think we should be thanking Mr. Hunt. If he didn't try his best to remedy the situation, Hunt Enterprise might have gone bankrupt ages ago!" Jimmy Wright was also one of the seven large shareholders, but he was always on Stefan's side. Although he did not own many shares, a lot of people supported him because he was close to Stefan.

"So you're saying that Mr. Hunt's the reason our stock price has been falling for several months, and we have to reward him, right?" Shane's cold laughter echoed throughout the conference room, showing everyone how much he disrespected Stefan and Hunt Enterprise. He was afraid of no one, and only respected those who were capable and could help him earn money. However, he felt that Stefan's glory days had passed, and he had become an incapable leader, so he had gathered the other shareholders to figure out how to remove Stefan from his position.

"Everyone, please stop fighting. After a thorough analysis, I found two reasons for the recent fall in our profits. The first is that the bad economy is making it hard to do business, and the second is... Mr. Hunt's absence due to his health. Although he's almost recovered, I think it's a bit hard for him to hold a high-pressure job like company president. He doesn't have the energy for it, so naturally, his recent decisions haven't been the wisest." Wesley Jennings was on Shane's side, and after a meaningful look from Shane, he decided to speak. Immediately, a few of the shareholders protested, firm in their support for Stefan.

Meanwhile, Stefan sat in the middle of the conference room, his expression inscrutable.

"We're all giving our opinions, so what about you, Mr. Hunt? Why don't you say something? Are you still feeling sick? You can take a short break, if you like," Shane faked a smile and suggested to Stefan.

"No one can comment on my health except me, gentlemen." Stefan sat upright, speaking calmly with a powerful aura. His body might be weaker now, but he had become warmer. He was decisive and dictatorial in the past, but now he had a greater outlook and perception of things. He realized the company wasn't everything, and it was only his sense of responsibility that controlled his decisions. He no longer felt that one solution could resolve everything. Unfortunately, his kindness had indirectly given a lot of his competitors the chance to make a counterattack, and Hunt Enterprise had been affected as a result.

Chapter 1527

“Why do you say that, Mr. Hunt? The purpose of this meeting is to identify problems. We’ve got many competitors, and the internal conflicts in this company are getting serious. Also, many of our talents have resigned. If we don’t come up with something, it’s only a matter of time before the company crashes and burns.” Wesley added fuel to the fire, nearly exposing his idea of dismissing Stefan.

Stefan glared at Wesley coldly and sneered, “So, Mr. Jennings, what do you think is a good solution to this?”

“Well... I can’t bring myself to say it!” When Wesley met Stefan’s gaze, timidity got the better of him. He kept his head low and didn’t dare to speak.

Shane then took over and said boldly, “His idea is simple- he wants you to rest and get better, and we’ll appoint someone else as the president of Hunt Enterprise.”

The conference room instantly became silent.

However, Stefan remained calm. He smiled and said, “Mr. Jennings, is that what you meant?”

Wesley waved anxiously. “I... No, I didn’t mean that. I just want what’s best for the company and your health, Mr. Hunt.”

“Thank you for being so thoughtful, Mr. Jennings.” Stefan’s tone was dangerous, and Wesley’s face paled.

“I think Wes’ idea is good, but no one else can lead Hunt Enterprise except Mr. Hunt. We’d better not appoint another president and get a worse one!” Another shareholder plucked up the courage to express his thoughts.

“You don’t have to worry about that. Isn’t Mr. Jovan Hunt, the former vice president, pretty talented? Wasn’t the business department in North Amentia making great profits, second only to the profits made by the headquarters? Now, it’s actually on par with the headquarters. I think he’s a rare talent,” Shane quickly said.

“Did all of you forget what he did? How can we let such a reckless and cunning man lead Hunt Enterprise?” Jimmy smacked the table and objected indignantly.

“He did that for the sake of the company because he thought something had happened to Mr. Hunt. I think it’s understandable since he just took the position as leader during a time of crisis,” Shane explained casually, avoiding the main point.

“But I heard that his health isn’t good, and he’s living on medicine. Plus, he’s blind too, and resigned ages ago. I’m afraid he can’t replace Mr. Hunt,” Jimmy scoffed. He always looked down on Jovan.

“Thank you for your concern, Mr. Wright, but my eyes are fine now.” Jovan’s voice came from the door as he strode into the conference room in a suit, looking refined.

Chapter 1528

All the shareholders looked at Jovan in shock.

“What? Isn’t Mr. Jovan Hunt blind?”

“He was demoted from vice president because he looked frail, but he seems very energetic now!”

“I’m glad he’s back. There’s hope for Hunt Enterprise after all!

Everyone welcomed Jovan’s return and hoped that he could replace Stefan to help Hunt Enterprise out of its predicament.

Smiling, Jovan walked over to Stefan. “Stefan, I’m sorry you had to manage Hunt Enterprise alone all this while; it must have been tough on you. But I’ve recovered now, so I’m here to help you.”

Stefan stared at Jovan coldly, and when he saw Jovan’s eyes, his heart skipped a beat. An unsettling theory emerged in his mind, but he didn’t want to think about it. “Work well for Hunt Enterprise then. We’re in the same boat, so if you can help revitalize the company, your return is more than welcome.”

“You’re a generous and insightful man, Stefan. Don’t worry—I won’t let you down. If it’s necessary, I might even take up your position to save Hunt Enterprise!” Jovan smiled widely, boldly announcing his intentions.

Everyone drew in a breath, but nobody disagreed.

“Sure, as long as you’re capable,” Stefan narrowed his eyes and said coldly.

Jovan pulled a chair out and took a seat in front of Harry York, his assistant, and elaborated on his ideas and plans. The shareholders felt enthused listening to him.

“Mr. Jovan Hunt’s business is centered on the market in North America, which is rather open-minded. If his plan can be carried out effectively, I’m sure our company will be saved!” Shane was the first to stand up and clap enthusiastically.

Seeing that, some of the other shareholders clapped too. Although it was awkward for Stefan, he remained calm.

Icily, Elijah said, “So, Mr. Jovan, you’re saying that the company should work harder to expand its projects in the next season, right? However, the company’s profits have been cut down by thirty percent, and we’re currently facing the risk of a shortfall of funds. If we expand the projects blindly and burden the company, we might face the danger of bankruptcy, right?”

Shane glared at Elijah and scoffed, “What would an assistant like you know? The fall in profits is because of the low market share. If we don’t expand our projects now, the decline in profits will continue. Plus, there are so many new companies nowadays, and if we just sit back and do nothing, our company won’t be in the top spot for long. We’ll lose our position in the industry if that happens!”

“I agree with Mr. Jovan’s idea. It’s better to be bolder and take risks during this critical period. If we win the battle, we’ll keep our top position...”

“Yeah, our company has always been famous for our bold and decisive means. Why should we be so conservative?”

Everyone agreed with Jovan’s plan, but eventually turned to Stefan.

'Mr. Stefan Hunt, you're the president of Hunt Enterprise. What do you think? After all, you'll make the final call,' a shareholder said to Stefan respectfully.

Chapter 1529

"I share the same opinion as Elijah-I think Hunt Enterprise should play safe instead of expanding its projects," Stefan said finally.

"Mr. Hunt, why have you become so conservative? Do you want this company to be knocked off its pedestal?" Wesley said to Stefan rudely.

"Calm down, gentlemen. I know why Stefan's become like this..." Jovan explained to the others, "You know that he was down and out for the past six months, and his body has become quite fragile. That's why his character has changed a lot, and he's become conservative. However, what you don't know is that he's had two brain surgeries, which would be a huge blow to anyone... Harry, send Stefan's medical report to all the shareholders."

"Okay, Mr. Jovan." Harry nodded and sent Stefan's check-up report to the shareholders.

Enraged, Elijah snarled at Jovan, "What are you doing?! Mr. Hunt's medical report is meant for his eyes only! What gives you the right to hand it out?"

"Mr. Young, calm down. I agree that medical reports should be confidential, but he's the president of Hunt Enterprise. He's leading the company, so his health plays a major role in the fate of the company. Plus, aren't we discussing why our profits have dropped? I think this report can provide the answer," Jovan smirked and said coolly. He had obviously come prepared.

After reading Stefan's medical report, the shareholders were in shock.

"Mr. Hunt's health is so bad..."

He's suffered brain damage, and has also experienced memory loss. No wonder his leadership style has changed!"

"I knew it! So the reason the company is facing issues is a problem with its leader!"

Elijah felt sorry for Stefan who had to face their criticism." Mr. Hunt, should we end this meeting early?"

Stefan shook his head and looked at the others calmly. "I understand your concerns, and I have to admit that my health isn't as good as it used to be."

"So, are you still planning to keep this up knowing you're no longer suitable to lead this company?" Jovan sneered, hoping Stefan would resign.

Naturally, I'm willing to resign if someone capable can replace me. However, I don't know if you're that person, Jovan. If I remember correctly, your health isn't so good either, especially your sight. I wonder why you can see again all of a sudden." Stefan had expected the shareholders to attack him during the meeting, but he hadn't expected Jovan to return so quickly. Truthfully, Stefan was unconcerned about being president of Hunt Enterprise-all he wanted to know right now was why he felt like he had seen Renee's eyes the moment he saw Jovan.

“You don’t have to worry about that, Stefan. Someone willingly donated their eyes to me, just like how I willingly donated my eyes to you...” Jovan’s gaze was fierce as he spoke.

Chapter 1530

Jovan’s words struck Stefan speechless. Stefan had only learned much later that it was all because of Jovan’s eyes and blood that he had survived. Technically, he owed Jovan his life, so he couldn’t argue with him about this.

“If that’s the case, we can experiment with your plan in the next season, Jovan. We’ll see the effects after the expansion,” Stefan sounded regal and dignified as he spoke and all the shareholders present listened to him attentively and dared not object.

“You’re insightful, Stefan, and it seems like you truly care for the company... but there’s something I’m curious about.

“What’s your next step if the profits of the company do skyrocket after the next season?” Jovan faked a smile as he asked Stefan slyly.

“What do you want me to do?” Stefan boldly met Jovan’s gaze, staring him down. The atmosphere became tense.

After a while, Shane said, “Mr. Stefan, we all know you’re a generous man. If Mr. Jovan can help the company prosper, I’m sure you’d be willing to give your position to him, right?”

Jimmy smacked the table and pointed at Shane, scolding him angrily, “Shane, you’re being rude! Only a man with both integrity and talent has the right to be the president, and nobody is more suited for it than Mr. Stefan Hunt.”

“What’s the use of integrity when it comes to making profit?”

All the shareholders care about are profits. We’ll support whoever wants to be president as long as he or she can help us earn money...”

The two of them started arguing with each other fiercely.

At last, Stefan waved and said coolly, “I agree with Mr.

Webb’s idea. If Jovan can make the company successful after a season, I’m willing to resign.”

Stefan’s words surprised everyone, including Jovan. He had been fully prepared to fight Stefan for the position, but unexpectedly, Stefan had given in quickly.

The long shareholder meeting finally ended when it was nearing time to clock out of work. The shareholders left the room one by one, and soon, only Stefan and Jovan were left in the large conference room.

Jovan immediately abandoned all pretense and hissed at Stefan, “What are you hiding? It’s unlike you to give up the position of president so easily.”

Stefan just raised an eyebrow. “Show me your capability if you want this post so much. If you can, I’ll let you have it.”

“There’s no way you’d admit defeat that easily! Use whatever tricks you want—you know the consequences you’ll face if I become president.” Jovan approached Stefan menacingly, studying his expression for weaknesses.

“You’re overthinking. I’ve long wanted to retire, so I’d be happy if you took the position from me. After all, I have something more important now, and I’m sick of all this superficial fame and power.”

Jovan narrowed his eyes. “What’s so important to you?”