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Daphne was not interested. She smiled, "No matter what, you're still a boss, you have more time than us."

On the contrary, Rita became excited as she spoke. She grabbed Daphne's arm and grumbled, "Daphne, when you're running a business, you will be on-call for 24/7. You will have no time to rest as you need to keep working."

"If you're really tired, you should switch into another job," Daphne suggested.

Rita continued, "I have thought of switching jobs. But, my husband and I had been working hard for five years, and we have managed to achieve something so far. All our little achievements would go down the drain if we decided to switch now."

Upon hearing this, Daphne couldn't help but frown. She couldn't figure out what Rita was trying to say. Was her former classmates just trying to chit-chat?


She paused for a moment and questioned. "Rita, what are you trying to say?"

When Rita heard this, her face fell.

After sighing, she said, "Daphne, I shouldn't have come to you. But I have no choice—"

Daphne's heart skipped a beat. She asked nervously, "Rita, tell me. As long as it is not beyond my abilities, I will help."

"Ah, there is a problem." Rita sighed. "My husband and I run a small company which provides raw medical materials."

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"A few months ago, when our company received a business deal, a problem came up. Now the whole business is stuck." Rita sighed.

When Daphne heard her, she said in a hurry, "How much money do you need? I have some savings. You can use it for an emergency."

Daphne rummaged around her bag for her bank card.

However, Rita stopped her and shook her head. "Daphne, it can't be solved with mere money."

"Are you in a huge debt? Or is it something else?" Daphne asked nervously.

Rita shook her head again, and she went on, "Daphne, we've known each other for a long time. I'll tell you everything."


Daphne nodded, "Tell me. We can think of a solution together."

"Daphne, you are the best." Rita was grateful, "You know that Alstom Antibiotic was facing a shortage all over the country. Many hospitals were buying the antibiotic in bulk. Since the demand exceeds the supply, the price for the antibiotic surged."

"At that time, a pharmaceutical company ordered Alstom Antibiotic from us." Rita explained, "They offered a good price, and the shortage of stocks was not as serious. Thus, my husband and I took on the order and prepared to bring in the antibiotics for resale. We thought that we could earn some agent fees from this."

Daphne frowned, "I'm afraid that I can't help you. The whole country is running out of the antibiotics as well."

Rita sighed, "Yes, I know. But at that time, it was so difficult for us to get it. We didn't expect that this would happen. When we received the money, we went all over the place to look for this antibiotic. There were none!"

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"What's worse, as time goes on, the shortage is getting more and more serious and the price for the antibiotic is shooting up even higher. With the money that we received before, we couldn't even pay for the antibiotic, let alone make any profit."

"We have no choice but to explain the situation to the pharmaceutical company. We wanted to cancel their order."

As Rita was speaking, tears welled up in her eyes, "Since we breached the contract, we are ready to compensate. Who knew that the company would insist on their order. They insisted that we get them the antibiotics."

"How was it possible for a small company like us to be able to get the antibiotic? We've been to many places, and even abroad to look for the antibiotic, but to no avail."

"We have no choice. We are even ready to shut down our company to compensate the pharmaceutical company."

Rita was full of bitterness. Then, she changed her tone, "After that, we heard about the Ephedra Syrup. It was said that it was a more effective and a cheaper medicine compared to the Alstom Antibiotic. It could even replace it."


"The pharmaceutical company heard about it too. Now, they want us to get them the Ephedra Syrup. In doing so, we can solve the previous problem."

"In this way, we don't need to close our company," Rita said.

Daphne finally understood her situation. She frowned, "Rita, you were saying—"

Rita nodded, "I inquired about it. The Ephedra Syrup was being developed in Dragonville. And Daphne, you are one of the main researchers. What a coincidence."

"Therefore, we're here to ask for a small favor from you, Daphne. Can you get us the Ephedra Syrup?" Rita finally revealed her

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intentions.

Daphne furrowed her brows.

After all, the stock of Ephedra Syrup was already insufficient within Dragonville. How could they provide a supply for Rita?

Daphne explained, "Rita, we don't have enough Ephedra Syrup here in Dragonville. I'm afraid that I can't—"

Before Daphne finished, Rita interrupted, "Daphne, don't be like this. We're classmates."

"No, there is really not enough Ephedra Syrup. Maritime Ocean Pharma went against Dragonville before, and we were in a dire situation. Now, the Ephedra Syrup is not enough to supply Dragonville." Daphne justified.

When Rita heard that, she was displeased.

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Dylan, who was standing next to Rita, finally spoke. "Dr. Tao, even if the stocks really are limited, it shouldn't be difficult for you to get some since you're a researcher, right?"

When Rita heard this, she immediately nodded in agreement. "Daphne, I've asked around about it. I know that you're one of the main researchers. It won't be a big deal to ask for some stocks from the factory!"


Daphne shook her head, "Rita, this has nothing to do with who I am. Ephedra Syrup is a limited life-saving medicine. Each unit has its own set of records."

I can get you some if someone you know needs the Ephedra Syrup for medical purposes." Daphne continued, "But if you want to sell it. I'm afraid that—"

"When Rita heard this, she said in a hurry, "Daphne, we are just a small company. We don't need much, ten thousand units will do."

"Ten thousand, will do?" Daphne couldn't help crying out when she heard the number, "Rita, I'm afraid that you're unaware of the situation. The whole of Dragonville only has a total of roughly ten thousand."

"It's impossible for you to get ten thousand of them at once. Stop hoping for Ephedra Syrup. It's better for you to think of other ways." Daphne shook her head and rejected.

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Rita was unhappy when she heard this. She glared at Daphne, "Daphne, we have been old classmates for so many years. I have persuaded you for so long. You're really heartless, are you that unwilling to help me?"

Daphne explained, "Rita, it's not about our friendship. It's that the reality doesn't allow for this, I really can't do anything about it."

"Excuses, they're just excuses!" Rita said coldly. She stared at Daphne with hatred, "Daphne, I thought that I could count on you."

"Think about it, I've been helping you since we were in school. Helping you to buy your meals, opening your drinks for you, helping you to clean up your dormitory, and so on. I've helped you so much, and yet you are not willing to help me with such a small favor. I was so wrong about you." Rita said coldly.

Daphne did not expect to Rita say such things. She looked at Rita in surprise. She could not speak for a moment.

Rita continued, "Daphne, I'll give you one last chance. Get me the Ephedra Syrup, this will settle our scores. I will never find you again after this."


Rita, how could you..." Daphne blanked. She didn't expect that her former classmate and best friend, would say that to her.

Daphne was disappointed and furious. She was trembling in anger.

Fade walked over to Daphne. He put his arm gently around Daphne's shoulders and whispered, "Sister Daphne, don't be angry. For someone like this, it's not worth it."

When Rita heard Fade, she raised her chin and said, "Hey, bumpkin, this is something between old classmates, this is none of your business. Now scram."

While Rita was speaking, Dylan reached out to push Fade away.

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Fade snorted. With a loud shout, he pushed Dylan away, "Get away from me!"

"Dear! Are you okay?" Rita was shocked when she saw that her husband stumbled and almost fell.

She pointed her finger at Fade and stared at him. "How dare you..."

"What?" Fade glared at Rita. In an instant, words were stuck in her throat. She couldn't look at Fade.

Thus, she turned to Daphne again. "Daphne, your friend hurt my husband. You must get me the ten thousand bottles of Ephedra Syrup in order to make up for his injuries, or else—"

Daphne didn't expect Rita to be so shameless. Her face went white.

Fade sneered, "I've never seen someone as shameless as you!"

"Who are you to say that I'm shameless? This is just a normal request." Rita explained, "She owes me that much. What's wrong with doing me a little favor to repay my kindness?"

"Did she owe you a lot?" Fade scoffed, "Are't you ashamed when you say this?"

"Your so-called kindness was bringing her meals a few times when you were classmates. Who do you think you are? Was the food you brought made of silver and gold?" Fade questioned.

"I..." Rita tried to defend herself.

Fade continued, "To repay your kindness, you want her to get you ten thousand bottles of Ephedra Syrup. That's ridiculous! Are you even aware of its price? Each of them costs two hundred yuan. Now, you want ten thousand of them, which costs two million yuan. For your information, two million yuan is just the manufacturing cost price."

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"Look at you. Are you worth this much?" Fade said sarcastically.

Rita flushed and could not speak at all.

Dylan, on the other hand, said, "It's not that we won't pay the two million yuan. We only want Daphne to get us the stocks."

Dylan took out a bank card while he spoke, "Here's one million yuan as a deposit!"

"You want to pay for it, with money?" Fade mocked, "That's ridiculous. What do you think Ephedra Syrup is? Do you think you will be able to buy it even if you have the money?"

"There was someone who came with a billion dollars, and I rejected him. Your one million yuan is laughable," Fade said disdainfully.

A lot of people were talking about him.

"One million yuan for the Ephedra Syrup. What a joke!"

"I don't think that they're from here. They are ignorant about the situation, and yet they are haughty and full of themselves. "

"Having the money won't even get you Ephedra Syrup!"

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When Dylan heard what everyone was saying, his expression changed. "No matter how much it costs, what does it have to do with you, bumpkin?"

Rita added immediately, "Yes, my husband can afford to pay for something worth a million yuan. What about you? You can't even afford to buy a decent outfit. Why are you even here?"

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Rita warned, "Daphne, ask this friend of yours to apologize immediately, or else, he'll pay! Humph!"
After that, the couple glared at Fade with disdain.

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Daphne was utterly disappointed. She was shocked that Rita, her former classmate and best friend, had turned into someone like this.

Daphne shook her head and stood beside Fade. She said, "Rita, I didn't expect you to become someone like this. You are in the wrong. You have to apologize to Fade."

When Rita heard this, she yelled, "Daphne, are you kidding me? You said I'm wrong, and you asked us to apologize to a bumpkin like him. This is so funny!"

When Daphne heard this, she was infuriated. She said, "Rita, I don't know what you've gone through to become who you are today. I won't contact you again in the future."

The meaning was obvious, she wanted to end their friendship.

When Rita heard this, her eyes widened and she said, "Daphne, are you trying to cut me off?"

"Humph, it's not a big deal. Do you really think that you are important just because we were nice to you?" she continued.

"After so many years, you're just a doctor. My husband and I are now the owners of a company. We have more than ten million in assets. It's no pity to be losing a friend like you."

"You've got tens of millions of assets!" Daphne's eyes burned in anger. She recalled something and questioned, "Didn't you say

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that your company was in a critical situation and near the brink of collapse?"

Rita smiled and said, "Daphne, I didn't think you're still this naive. You'll believe whatever we say!"

Daphne shuddered and her face darkened.

Fade reached out his hand and gently patted Daphne on the shoulder. Then he looked at Rita and Dylan and said coldly, "You lied about needing the Ephedra Syrup to save your company. It's a complete hoax. Your real purpose is to get a batch of Ephedra Syrup and sell them at a high price in another city, right?"

Rita said, "Since you've got it right, I might as well tell you. What we said just now was indeed made up. We are going to make a lot of money by selling Ephedra Syrup."

Looking at Rita's shameless attitude, Daphne was enraged. Pointing at Rita, she said, "Rita, you, you..."

Rita was indifferent. Instead, she said, "Daphne, this is how you do business. In order to make money, weaving a few lies is nothing."

Daphne felt that she no longer knew the woman in front of her. She turned around and was about to leave.

However, Rita was not willing to let her go. She ran over, stopped Daphne, and said, "You have to repay my kindness first before leaving."

"Kindness! You—" Daphne was so furious that she couldn't continue speaking.

Fade gently held Daphne's shoulder, then looked at Rita and said coldly, "I will repay your kindness on behalf of Daphne now."

Hearing this, everyone looked at Fade. They were curious about what would he do.

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Fade walked to the large table in the center of the venue, which was full of food and drinks. He picked up a plate of food and a glass of water. He turned around and said to Rita, "Your so-called kindness was helping Daphne to get food and water, right?"

"Now, I'll give them all back to you." Whilst speaking, Fade slammed the plate of food onto Rita's face.

The greasy food and saucy gravy covered Rita's face in an instant, and then fell off onto her clothes, leaving stains all over the fabric.

"Ah, you, you..." Rita screamed and pointed at Fade .

Fade didn't stop. He splashed the water he was holding onto Rita's face.

The food and water mixed together into a murky liquid, dripping down Rita's face.

Rita was in a mess.

Dylan was enraged. He glared at Fade and said, "You're screwed."

Dylan took out his phone, and was about to call the police.

However, Rita stopped him, and said, "Don't call the police. I want them to compensate us with Ephedra Syrup. We wanted ten thousand of them before, but now, I'm asking for twenty thousand of them. We won't let this go easily."

With this, Rita looked at Daphne and threatened her, "Daphne, you saw it clearly. Your friend attacked us in front of everyone. The evidence is concrete."

"With our status and worth, if we call the police, you will all be finished. Now, I will give you a chance to give us twenty thousand bottles of Ephedra Syrup, and we will let go of this matter." Rita said.

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Hearing Rita's words, Daphne didn't know what to say.

After all, her first reaction was not to call the police but to take the opportunity to threaten them for Ephedra Syrup. Rita was completely caught in the lure of money. She would do anything for it.

Thinking of this, Daphne shook her head and said coldly, "It's impossible!"

When Rita heard this, she scowled and said, "Daphne, you have to think it through. We have both evidence and witnesses. If you don't get me the Ephedra Syrup, I will put you guys in prison."

Dylan added, "Dr. Tao, although our company is in another city, its market value is of tens of millions of yuan. In Dragonville City, we also have a good network. It's easy to deal with a mere doctor and a bumpkin."

After that, Dylan took out his phone and made a phone call. Then he looked at Daphne with a proud and confident expression. "I've already called Mr. Hu."

Rita said, "Mr. Hu is involved in Dragonville's medicinal businesses. He has a lot of connections. It's a piece of cake for him to deal with you."

"When Mr. Hu arrives, there will be no turning back."

"Daphne, this is your last chance. It's up to you to decide!" Rita looked at Daphne arrogantly.

Daphne was rendered speechless.

Fade couldn't help but shake his head, feeling that the two people were completely unreasonable. He said, "I thought you two were shameless before, but I didn't expect you to be idiots too."

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"What did you say?" Dylan bellowed.

Daphne glowered and threatened, "Bumpkin, when Mr. Hu arrives, you will know who is stupid."

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Fade did not take Rita's threat seriously at all. Instead, he shook his head and comforted Daphne next to him.

Rita's face darkened when she saw that they didn't want to give in. She gritted her teeth and said, "Two ungrateful things."

Dylan also said with a cold face, "Boss Hu will be here soon. When he arrives, these two guys will know who they have provoked!"

The two of them smirked.

Soon, a middle-aged man with a big belly walked into the celebration. It was Boss Hu.

Rita and Dylan welcomed him with great enthusiasm.

"Boss Hu, you're here!"

"Boss Hu, something happened this time. Thank you for coming."

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Boss Hu waved his hand dismissively and said, "It's nothing. We are business partners. I should help you when you encounter problems in Dragonville."

"Thank you, Boss Hu!"

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"Boss Hu, we're sorry to trouble you."

Boss Hu said, "Well, what's the matter?"

Rita pointed to Fade and Daphne and said, "This woman is my former classmate. I came here to meet her for a reunion. Then I talked about the business of Ephedra Syrup, giving her a chance to make a fortune. She not only didn't appreciate my kindness, but also let her fellow bumpkin attack me."

Dylan added, "A mere doctor and a bumpkin. They're nothing, but we're not from here after all. Therefore, I'd like to ask Boss Hu to deal with them."

Hearing this, Boss Hu nodded and said, "It's not a big deal. I'll ask them to apologize."

With this, Boss Hu walked over to them with a glass of wine in his hand.

Rita and Dylan followed, thanking him, "Boss Hu, thank you very much. After this matter, let us treat you to a meal."

"Hey, turn around. You guys who were being rude to Boss Fan—" Boss Hu said.

However, when he saw that it was Fade and Daphne, he was shocked and froze in place. The wine glass in his hand slipped and fell to the ground. He stammered, "Dr. Tao, Mr, Mr. Chen, I—"

When Rita and Dylan saw this, they were curious and asked, "Mr. Hu, are you okay? The wine glass fell—"

Fade glanced at Boss Hu and said, "You're the one they rely on here in Dragonville? Do you want to stand up for them?"

Boss Hu quickly shook his head and said, "Mr. Chen, no, no, no, it's a misunderstanding. I... I'm not familiar with them. I was just in one business with them"

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Upon hearing this, Rita and Dylan were dissatisfied.

"Boss Hu, how can you say that?"

"Boss Hu, we..."

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Before the two finished speaking, Boss Hu turned around and glared at them fiercely, shouting, "Shut up!"

"Do you know who you have offended? How dare you talk nonsense here?"

Rita and Dylan were confused and asked discontentedly.

"Boss Hu, it's just a doctor and a bumpkin. Why are you acting like this?"

"Boss Hu, if you don't want to help, just say so. We won't force you!"

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Boss Hu was bewildered. He stared at them and said, "I think you guys are totally blind."

"You want to get Ephedra Syrup, but you don't know that the person in front of you is the one who controls it."

"What do you mean?" Rita and Dylan could not understand.

Boss Hu snorted and said, "What do I mean? Dr. Tao is one of the main researchers for the Ephedra Syrup."

"I know that. She's involved in the development of the Ephedra Syrup. Otherwise, I wouldn't have looked for her," Rita said.

Boss Hu glared at Rita, "Shut your mouth. Mr. Chen is the initiator of the development of Ephedra Syrup, the supplier of the

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formula and the owner of the patent. Ephedra Syrup belongs to Mr. Chen. Now, do you understand who you have offended?" Upon hearing this, Rita and Dylan's faces were filled with disbelief. They were completely dumbfounded.

"Boss Hu, you said that this bumpkin is the developer of the Ephedra Syrup?"

"You said that the Ephedra Syrup is his? It's impossible!"

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Boss Hu said coldly, "You don't know anything, but dare to come here to get the Ephedra Syrup. Laughable."

"Let me tell you, Mr. Chen is not only the owner of Ephedra Syrup, but also the vice president of Fei Enterprises Holdings Inc. His net worth is tens of billions yuan."

"What, this—" Rita and Dylan were at a loss for words. Fade, who was wearing a dirty uniform, turned out to be a successful man. They would never have guessed.

Boss Hu continued, "Besides, Mr. Chen is the top martial arts master in Long City. You two, apologize to Mr. Chen and Dr. Tao. Otherwise, you don't know how you'll die."

The two of them didn't have any knowledge of martial arts masters. After all, they were just ordinary people and couldn't get in touch with real martial arts masters.

However, Fade's identity at the moment was enough to deter them.

With a pale face, the two came to Fade and Daphne, bowed respectfully and said, "Mr. Chen, Dr. Tao. We're sorry that we've offended you."

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Daphne didn't say anything. Fade questioned, "Do you think an apology is enough?"
Upon hearing this, the two trembled and blanched. They said, "We were wrong. We—"

Before they could finish, Fade shouted, "Kneel down!"

Their faces twisted, and a hint of unwillingness flashed across their faces.

Although Fade was very wealthy, they thought that they were superior to ordinary people. They had already apologized, but Fade asked them to kneel down, which was too much.

Just as the two of them were hesitating, Boss Hu became anxious and said to them fiercely, "What are you waiting for? Kneel down and apologize!"

"We have already apologized, but we still have to kneel down. Isn't it too much?" Dylan retorted.

Rita said, "Although he is a big boss, we don't have any business connections with him. Why do we have to be so servile?"

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Boss Hu's forehead beaded with sweat. After all, Fade was not as simple as a wealthy boss. He was a top martial arts master. If they really enraged him, he would really kill them!

He kicked the back of Dylan and Rita's knees and shouted, "Kneel down and apologize!"

The two people were caught off guard and fell to their knees in front of Fade.

They wanted to get up, but Boss Hu knelt down beside them and said to the two, "If you don't want to die, bow down and apologize right this instance."

With this, Boss Hu took the lead in bowing to Fade and apologizing.

When Rita and Dylan saw this, they were confused and frightened, but they still gritted their teeth and bowed.

Fade didn't care about them at all. Daphne didn't want to see Rita anymore. The two scoffed, shook their heads, and left.

Seeing this, Boss Hu breathed a sigh of relief and wiped the sweat on his forehead.

Rita and Dylan, on the other hand, were still confused and could not help but ask.

"Boss Hu, did we need to do that? Isn't he just a businessman?"

"That's right. We're not from Dragonville. We have nothing to do with him."

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Boss Hu scowled and said, "You've just escaped death, but you don't even know it. It's ridiculous."

"What do you mean?" The two of them asked.

Boss Hu lowered his voice and said, "Haven't I told you? Mr. Chen is not only a businessman, but also a martial arts master. If you really provoke him, he will beat you to death."

Upon hearing this, Rita and Dylan looked incredulous.

"Kill us? Boss Hu, you're exaggerating! This is a modern society regulated by law. No matter how successful he is, how could he kill people in public?"

"That's right. What martial arts master? Even if we can't defeat him, then we could just avoid him instead."

Boss Hu looked at them and shook his head. "You have no idea what a real martial arts master is like at all."

"With Mr. Chen's strength, killing you guys is no different from pinching two ants to death. You don't understand the real strength of martial arts masters."

Rita and Dylan still didn't believe it. They hadn't come into contact with any martial arts master before, and they didn't know the horror of real martial arts masters.

Seeing this, Boss Hu didn't bother to explain. He warned, "Don't ever provoke Mr. Chen."

After that, he turned around and left.

The celebration gradually became lively. Faye Chen and Daphne Tao were the focus of everyone's attention. Many people came to make toasts.

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Fade clinked glasses and drank with them one by one, then nodded to thank them.

After finishing a glass of wine, Fade took another glass of wine from a waiter. He raised his glass to toast the people in front of him with a smile.

A young man with an excited expression walked over. He held a wine glass in both hands and said, "Mr. Chen, I'm so happy to see you."

"Thank you so much. My father was terminally ill. Because of the shortage of Alstom Antibiotic, his condition deteriorated. Thanks to Mr. Chen, you developed the Ephedra Syrup and gave my father a chance of survival."

"I toast to Mr. Chen!" With this, the excited young man raised his head and drank up the wine in the glass.

"Okay!" Fade answered with a smile, and then he also raised his head to drink.

Just as Fade raised his head and revealed his neck, the young man had a sharp expression flashing across his eyes. He turned his wrist slightly, and a blade appeared in his hand. His eyes gleamed as he aimed for Fade's neck.

At the same time, a grim smile appeared at the corner of his mouth, and he whispered to himself, "Is this the so-called martial arts master of China? This task is too easy!"

This sudden scene shocked everyone and made them stand still.

When they came to their senses, the sharp blade in the young man's hand was less than ten centimeters away from Fade's neck.

In such a situation, people couldn't help but scream.

"Be careful, Mr. Chen!"

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"Ah, he's killing someone!"

"Quick, stop him."

"What, what's going on?"

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Fade, who was drinking with his head up, suddenly sensed a murderous intent at the moment the young man made his move.

Fade leaned his neck backwards immediately to avoid the young man's attack. At the same time, Fade swung a kick towards the young man.

The distance was short and the young man didn't expect that his attack would fail. Moreover, he didn't expect that Fade could fight back in such a situation.

Fade's kick made contact with his abdomen and he flew across the room. He knocked over many tables and chairs, turning the scene into a mess.

The assassin was startled. However, he was an experienced hitman after all, so he returned to his senses quickly. He rushed toward Fade at lightning speed, "Prepare to die!"

Fade squinted, huffed, and pushed his right hand into the air.

Suddenly, an invisible force burst forth and hit the young hitman. The young hitman was thrown into the air again before he could even get close to Fade. He fell heavily onto the ground, and blood spurted out of his mouth.

"It's a master!" Terror clouded over the assassin's face. He said in his heart, "Retreat!"

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Then, he jumped up and weaved through the crowd, trying to stop Fade's pursuit using the crowd as decoys. When the crowd saw the hitman's terrifying moves and the weapon in his hand, they were all frightened and started to scream, crouching down onto the ground.

Rita and Dylan were amongst them.

They crouched down on the ground with their heads in their hands and said with fear, "What, what's going on? Who on earth is that? How can he be so capable? He's just like the ones in the movies?"

Not far from them, Boss Hu was also crouched on the ground. He said, "This is a real martial arts master."

"What, he is a martial arts master? His strength is horrific!" Rita and Dylan were astounded.

Boss Hu said, "Horrific? That boy is not worth mentioning in front of Mr. Chen. Mr. Chen could crush him with one little finger."

As soon as Boss Hu finished speaking, Fade thundered. "Where are you running off to?"

His thunderous voice boomed across the hall, causing everyone's hearts to thunder against their ribcages, leaving them rooted to the ground and hardly able to move.

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Everyone was stunned. The young killer was the first to react. He turned around and ran out of the hall.

Fade's current abilities had exceeded his expectations. The young killer could not help but curse in his heart. What was going on with the client? The information he gave was completely wrong.

They estimated that Fade's strength was between the peak of the Yellow Level to the early stage of the Black Level. Therefore, the organisation sent him who was at the middle stage of Black Level to assassinate Fade.

Unexpectedly, Fade had totally outclassed the killer. Fade's strength was absolutely at the peak of the Black Level. The young killer had no chance of succeeding at all.

He just wanted to escape now, cursing the client and the people in the organization. The wrong information they provided almost made him lose his life back there.

"When I take on any missions in future, I must be more careful. It's best to avoid taking missions in China. The abilities of Chinese martial arts practitioners are uncertain." The young killer thought. He was busy planning life after his escape.

However, to his disappointment, he could not escape at all.

Fade made a grabbing motion, and he captured the young hitman in the air with his large invisible hands.

Fade smashed the killer onto the ground and stepped on his chest. Fade glared at him and asked, "Who are you? Why do you

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want to kill me?"

The hitman's eyes widened in terror, but he forced himself to calm down. He shook his head and said, "I know nothing."

Fade's expression hardened. He increased the strength from his feet. He said, "You will die if you don't say it."

The young killer gritted his teeth and said, "I've long expected that there would be such a day in my career. I won't be a traitor."

"Really?" Fade said coldly, with a hint of killing intent in his eyes.

The young killer smiled. Then he clenched his teeth and his eyes sparked with determination.

As an assassin, he had expected such a result. Their organization was well prepared. Hence, he bit the poison in his mouth, ready to commit suicide.

However, just as he bit the poison, Fade bent down and silver needles appeared in his hand. He stabbed the needles into the young killer's head and the acupuncture points on his neck.

Seeing this, the young killer was shocked and shouted, "What are you doing?"

Fade looked at him coldly and said, "It won't be easy for you to commit suicide in front of me."

Upon hearing this, the young killer's heart skipped a beat. He felt that the effect of the poison was being delayed by a huge margin.

The customised poison from his organisation was a special poison that would cause death within half a minute.

However, a minute had passed, and there was no sign of the hitman being poisoned to death. At the same time, the side effects of the poison gradually took effect. The killer felt pain all over his body and his face twisted all over.

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Fade looked at the killer and said coldly, "Answer my question, and I'll give you a quick death."

Clenching his teeth, the young killer shook his head and said, "I won't betray my client and organization."

"Really?" Fade snorted. "It seems that the pain of the poison is not enough. I should give you more pain."

"What, what are you going to do?" The killer asked nervously.

Fade pricked the killer's chest several times with a few more silver needles.

At first, the killer did not feel anything unusual, but soon, he felt a tingling pain radiate from the silver needles.

It was as if insects were running through his skin and body, continually gnawing at his flesh and nerves.

The killer twisted his body in extreme pain, and he let out miserable howl.

He scratched at his chest with both hands, as if he wanted to break his flesh open and take out the "insects" that did not exist.

Fade said, "If you don't answer my question, the pain will last for two hours. Why don't you decide for yourself?"

The young killer broke down completely. His face was full of blood and tears, and he cried, "I'll tell you, I'll tell you everything. You'd better give me a quick death."

"Say it!" Fade said coldly.

The young killer said, "I am an intermediate level killer of the Blood Blade Killer Organization. The client is Norton, the Managing Director of Bald Eagle Pharma for the Asian region."

"Blood Blade, Norton!" Fade repeated these words as he digested the information, his eyes squinted.

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The killer cried out in pain, "I've told you. Kill me! Kill me now!"

Fade lowered his head to look at the killer and then clapped his right hand in the air. A blast of energy slammed into the killer's head, making a loud sound. His neck made a crackling sound, and then the light in his eyes faded and he ceased to breathe.

Fade frowned and walked away. He called Francesca Sun and ordered her to investigate the Blood Blade Killer Organization.

The guests were all scared out of their wits. They stayed rooted to the spot, staring at the bloody scene. Their facial muscles stiffened.

Rita and Dylan gaped in horror and disbelief at the scene in front of them, and their lips trembled.

"Is this Fade's real ability? So this is a master of martial arts?"

For a moment, fear clouded their minds. Thinking of their disrespect for Fade just now, their hearts raced with panic.

If the two of them had continued to provoke him earlier, it would have been easy for Fade to beat them to death.

At the moment, there was only one thought in their minds, that was, to leave here quickly. They wouldn't be visiting Dragonville again anytime in the near future.

Soon, the police came and closed off the crime scene. All the guests were not allowed to leave.

Then, the Stealth Team of Dragonville arrived. They took over the matter from the police, and learned about the details from Fade. After that, they took the killer's corpse and resolved the situation at the scene, so that the guests would be free to leave.

Fade walked Daphne out, and then looked into the distance with a chill in his eyes.

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"Norton!" Fade muttered and a killing intent burst out from his body. He was about to rush out.

The person in charge of Stealth Team stood in front of Fade and said, "Sir, where are you going? Don't be impulsive."

Fade said coldly, "You know where I am going. How can I not be impulsive when Norton sent someone to kill me?"

The person in charge smiled awkwardly and said, "Sir, after all, Norton is a foreigner. If he dies here, it will be troublesome."

Fade said, "If there is any trouble, put all the blame on me. If anyone is asking for trouble, just let them come to me."

"This, this—" The person in charge hesitated. However, Fade was the special instructor of Stealth Team and his superior by rank. He couldn't possibly disobey Fade's orders. He could only say, "Sir, please be careful."

Fade nodded and said, "Don't worry. It's not difficult for me to deal with Norton. Also, I will leave no traces."

After that, Fade's figure flashed, and he disappeared into the darkness of the city like a shadow.

At the same time, in Maritime Ocean Pharma's Dragonville Branch, Norton and Loomis were still in the office.

Looking at the brightly lit city outside the window, Loomis thought of Henry Hu's words and felt worried. He paced in front of the window.

Behind the desk, Norton leaned casually into the back of his seat. Looking at the anxious Loomis, he laughed and said, "Chiang,

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you don't have to be so nervous. It's just a small matter."

However, Loomis couldn't relax. He said, "Mr. Norton, assassination may not be a big deal for you in your country. But the situation in China is different. Killers hardly survive here. In addition, the target of this assassination is famous. I am worried that there might be some unforeseen circumstances."

Norton sneered and said, "You're too timid. Although China has developed well in the recent years, it's still not an exceptional country. Besides, Blood Blade is an international killer organization. I've hired an intermediate level hitman. There won't be a problem."

"But—" Loomis was still worried.

Norton shook his head and said, "We'll be fine. Blood Blade is a very professional hitman organization. Even if they fail, the target won't find out about us."

Even so, Loomis still felt uneasy. He couldn't sit still at all.

Norton's cell phone rang. He immediately picked up the phone. A voice came from the other end of the phone and said something quickly.

After listening, Norton looked even more relaxed. His mouth curved into a smug smile. Then he poured two glasses of wine and handed one to Loomis, saying, "Don't worry. It's done."

Loomis was shocked and asked immediately, "Fade was really killed! Are you sure?"

Norton said with a smile, "There was an accident in the hotel. Someone died. The police are already there."

"Someone died, but he didn't say who died?" Loomis was still concerned.

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Norton patted Loomis's shoulder, pushed the glass into his hand, and said, "Chiang, don't think too much. Blood Blade has sent an intermediate level killer, which corresponds to a Black Level martial arts practitioner in China. Relax, there won't be any hiccups."

"Let's have a drink to celebrate!" Norton clinked glasses with Loomis.

Loomis obliged as he couldn't refuse his superior.

After drinking a glass of wine, Norton was still not satisfied. He poured another glass of wine, "Fade is dead. It's much more convenient for us to get the patent of the Ephedra Syrup now."

"I'll leave it to you." Norton patted Loomis on the shoulder.

Norton's relaxed mood eased Loomis. He smiled, clinked glasses with Norton and drank another glass of wine.

Seeing this, Norton smiled and said, "Chiang, that's right! Things have been done well. When you get the patent of Ephedra Syrup, I will talk to the company's headquarters. It's not impossible for Bald Eagle Pharma to offer Maritime Ocean Pharma some more favorable terms."

Loomis was distracted from his worries. He began to imagine how his position in his family would improve, as well as the good impression he would be making towards the high-level executives of the Bald Eagle Pharma after his recent contributions.

Thinking of this, Loomis was excited. He took the initiative to pour another glass of wine, clinked glasses with Norton, and was ready to drink it all.

Loomis's cell phone rang. The call was from Henry. His heart skipped a beat and a bad feeling arose.

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Putting down the glass, Loomis picked up the phone and said, "Henry, what's the matter?"

On the other end of the phone, Henry's tone was hurried, and even panicked, "Director Chiang! This is bad. This is really, really bad."

"What's the matter? Slow down and make it clear!" Loomis shouted.

Henry took a deep breath and said, "Didn't you ask me to check up on Fade's background before? I just found some new information. The situation is grim!"

Hearing this, Loomis, who had just calmed down, felt nervous again. "What's wrong? Make it clear."

Henry said, "Director Chiang, didn't I say that Fade was a martial arts master? Now I found out that Fade is not just an ordinary martial arts master."

"Half a year ago, he left Bay City and came to Dragonville. He defeated the Sun Family, the number one family in Long City, in a swift motion. He defeated Francesca Sun, the number one master of Long City at that time, and took the throne of the number one martial arts master in Long City."

"Then, the Martial Arts Convention of the five provinces was held. Fade revealed his skills and badly injured Yohannes Yue, the champion of the last Martial Arts Convention, as well as Franklin Chang, the guardian of the Lightning Clan."

"Fade is known as Master Chen in the martial arts world. Someone speculated that Fade's ability had reached the realm of the Earth Level."

After listening to all this, Loomis was dumbfounded. He asked in disbelief, "What... what you said is true?"

Henry nodded and said, "It's all true. A lot of people in the martial arts circle of Long City have witnessed these. It can't be fake."

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"Director Chiang, Fade is really powerful. Please don't provoke him. Otherwise, our company may be in danger."
"This, this—" Loomis's face was deathly pale and he couldn't even speak.

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Norton was curious when he saw the expression on Loomis' face. "Chiang, what's wrong? Bad news?"

Loomis finally returned to his senses, "Mr. Norton, something bad has happened. Fade is not an ordinary person. He is Master Chen, one of the most powerful martial arts masters. It seems that we have messed with the wrong man."

Then, Loomis asked Henry to tell Norton everything on the phone.

However, after listening, Norton was calm. He waved his hand in dismissal. "Chiang, stop worrying. Things are not as serious as you think."

Loomis was anxious. "But Fade is really powerful. He's an Earth Level master. He's among the best of the best. We—"

Norton waved his hand again. "Chiang, most of these martial arts masters are just fakes. It's just like the martial arts in movies. All they know is some fancy moves. They're nothing in an actual fight."

"Mr. Norton, he's a real master. He's really powerful. Please don't look down on his abilities!" Loomis added.

Norton did not take him seriously. "Well, Chiang. Even if it's like what you said, Fade is a real master. So what? The Bald Eagle Pharma is a world renowned pharmaceutical company, and Blood Blade Killer Organization is a world renowned assassin organization."

"Even if Fade is the best of the best, so what? Does he even dare to fight against us?"

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"This—" Loomis couldn't refute Norton, but he was still uneasy.

Norton patted Loomis on his shoulder and continued, "Besides, I have received a message just now. Fade has been killed. The police are there. Nothing will happen."

Loomis frowned. He sat and thought to himself, "Was I too nervous that I thought too highly of Fade?"

"Well, Chiang. Don't worry. Let's have a toast!" Norton handed a glass to Loomis and they were ready to drink.

However, Norton's phone rang once again.

Loomis, who had just calmed down, tensed up again. He looked at Norton worriedly.

Norton turned on his loudspeakers and asked, "What's the matter? Why are you calling me again? Do you have any latest updates?"

An anxious voice could be heard. "Mr. Norton, I have bad news."

"What's wrong?" Norton questioned.

"The information was wrong. The man in the hotel was indeed dead. However, it was not Fade who died, but the killer we sent. Now, the Stealth Team has arrived at the scene."

When they heard this, their mouths went agape. "What?"

"Are you sure it's the killer who died?" Norton raised his voice.

"We're certain. I saw Fade walk out of the hotel with my own eyes," the man replied.

"How could this happen?" Norton was confused.

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On the other hand, Loomis was in distress, "You saw Fade walking out of the hotel. Where did he go?"

The man said, "I have no idea. He was very fast. It was just a blink of an eye, and then I missed him."

What!" Loomis was anxious for real. He jolted from the chair, "Mr. Norton, we're in trouble. Fade might be on his way here. We must run."

Norton didn't even flinch. "Chiang, don't worry. Even if the killer died, he wouldn't have exposed us. After all, he's from the Blood Blade Killer Organization. I trust their credibility."

Loomis persisted, "Mr. Norton, this is not a matter of credibility. Fade's ability is beyond our expectations. No one knows whether he managed to get any information about us."

"Uh..." Norton hesitated.

Loomis was restless. "Mr. Norton. Just for the sake of our safety, let's go somewhere else."

After some consideration, Norton finally nodded and said, "Okay, let's go back to the hotel. Take my bodyguards with us."

Then, Loomis rushed to open the door.

Suddenly, someone kicked open the door of the office. The unhinged door smashed against the window that was across the room. The sturdy glass broke and shattered all over the floor in pieces.

Then, a seemingly thin figure appeared at the door of the office.

Loomis was shocked and trembled with fear. He shuddered, "F-Fade, you—"

When Norton saw Fade Chen, he frowned and bellowed, "It's you!!"

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Fade looked at them and said coldly, "Where are you going?"

Loomis was so scared that he couldn't speak clearly. However, Norton was relatively calm. He answered, "I'm afraid that it's none of your business."

"Also, this is the Maritime Ocean Pharma, my office. You broke in and even destroyed my door. I want an explanation." Norton demanded.

Fade sneered. He looked at Norton, "An explanation? I think that you are the one who owes me an explanation."

"You hired a hitman from the Blood Blade Killer Organization to kill me. What's the matter?" Fade stressed icily.

When Loomis heard this, he was so scared that he fell to the ground "He... he knows everythi—"

However, before he could finish, Norton shouted, "Shut up, Chiang!"

Norton looked at Fade with a straight face and argued, "Mr. Chen, I don't understand. I don't know what blood blade is. I think you're mistaken."

Fade scoffed. He took a step forward. "I'm mistaken?"

"If you say so..." While he spoke, Fade waved his hand in the air. A burst of energy shot out of his hand and it went directly towards the wooden desk.

In an instant, the thick solid wooden desk broke into half. It collapsed with a loud crash.

Loomis was in such terror that he fell to the ground with a pale face.

Norton frowned. He took a few steps back and said, "Mr. Chen, I don't know where you received this false information. The

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matter that you're concerned about has nothing to do with us."

"You're still not telling the truth." Fade sneered. Energy surged in his hand and went straight towards Norton and Loomis.

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With a wave of his hand, a crimson red light burst forth and cut through the left side of Loomis' body.

In an instant, Loomis's left arm was chopped off from his body and flew into the air. Following a spurt of blood, it fell onto the ground with a thud.

Loomis let out a miserable scream. He clutched his blood-spurting wound and cried out in pain.

Fade showed them no mercy. He ordered, "Admit it."

Norton's eyes flickered as he readjusted his posture. His lips twitched, but he didn't say anything.

However, Loomis couldn't take it anymore. After all, one of his arms had been cut off. If it went on like this, he might lose his life.

Loomis begged, "Mr. Chen, I'll tell you everything. Please don't kill me."

"Speak!" Fade said coldly.

Norton glared at Loomis as he spoke. He wanted to stop Loomis from telling the truth.

However, Loomis was only thinking about saving himself. He ignored Norton and spilled the beans, "Mr. Chen, this is how it happened."

"Norton hired the hitman from the Blood Blade Killer Organization. This was all because he failed to obtain the patent of Ephedra

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Syrup from you."

"I have nothing to do with this matter! I tried to stop him, but he insisted on hiring the killers." Loomis put all the blame on Norton.

Hearing this, Norton's face darkened. "Loomis, keep your mouth shut. You—"

"You are the one who needs to keep your mouth shut." Fade scoffed as he looked at Norton. Then, he crossed the distance between them, and raised his arm. In the center of his palm, a red ball of energy surged like the flame of death.

"Now, do you have anything else to say?" Fade looked at Norton coldly.

Norton's body trembled, but his face appeared relatively calm. He looked at Fade and challenged, "You can't kill me!"

Fade said coldly, "Why can't I? You hired someone to kill me, but I can't kill you. Is this fair?"

Fade stepped towards Norton as he spoke. The ball of energy glowed brighter than before.

Norton finally panicked. However, he still carried an air of confidence and arrogance. "You can't kill me, because I'm one of Bald Eagle Pharma's men. I'm a Micovian."

"If you make a move on me, my company, and my country, will not let you off the hook. A Chinese like you will not be able to bear such consequences. " As he spoke, he became more prideful, and he seemed to be smiling in confidence.

When Fade heard this, he was infuriated. He scoffed, "You're saying that, just because you are a Micovian who works for a big company, you can kill me, but I can't even hurt you?"

Seeing that Fade had not made his move yet, Norton was relieved. He assumed that the guy standing right in front of him was

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not bold enough to do anything to him.

Norton took out his passport and slapped it onto the table. He smirked mockingly at Fade. "You might think that this is unfair, but let me tell you. This is reality."

"You can't hurt me, because I am a man of Micovia. You can't afford to offend a Micovian." Norton raised his chin and looked at Fade.

Fade looked at Norton and said coldly, "Do you really think so?"

Norton smirked, "This is not only a thought, it is the truth. If we foreigners lose a bicycle in your country, your people will need to help us retrieve it. In other words, if you hurt me now, there's no need for my country or my company to lift a finger. Your own people would not leave you unscathed."

After that, Norton picked up his passport and waved it in front of Fade. He got up and said, "Now, I will be taking my leave."

Then, he walked toward the door with a smile on his face. He didn't take Fade's threat seriously at all.

Loomis was stunned when he saw this. Then he shouted hurriedly, "Mr. Norton, take me with you. Mr. Norton—"

Norton turned around and was about to say something to Loomis.

Right as he was about to speak, he saw a flaming rouge blade coming straight for his neck.

Norton's eyes widened in fear. He shouted, "How dare you—"

Before he could finish, the flaming blade sliced through his neck.

Then, a thin slit appeared on Norton's neck. Blood was oozing out of the cut. Slowly, more and more blood flowed out from the

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wound. Eventually, Norton's head tilted to one side. Blood spurted out of his artery profusely.

Norton's head fell to the ground. It bounced a few times on the thick fabric carpet before finally coming to a stop.

At his last moment, Norton's eyes were still open. He stared at Fade disbelievingly, as if he couldn't believe that all this was true.

Fade looked coldly at the beheaded Norton, "So what if you're from Micovia. You're dead now."

On the other hand, Loomis, who had been on the ground shouting for Norton's help, was dumbfounded at the scene before him. He couldn't speak at all.

He was terrified. He did not dare to look at Fade. He was lying on the ground, shivering.

At the moment, Fade walked towards him. The red energy surged again. Loomis could feel the heat burning on his skin.

Loomis trembled as he felt death approaching. He knelt on the ground and kept pleading for mercy. "Mr. Chen, I was wrong. Please spare my life. I can do anything you want me to do. Please..."

"What I want you to do is, go to h*ll!" Fade said coldly and then waved his right hand.

In an instant, his energy turned into a sharp knife. Loomis was killed instantly as the knife pierced his heart.

After getting rid of Norton and Loomis, Fade's eyes were emotionless. As he glanced at the two bodies, he waved his hand gently to create two balls of energy and placed them onto the corpses.

In an instant, the flames spread rapidly and started to burn the bodies.

Soon, the corpses turned into piles of ashes. Then, as Fade waved his hand, the ashes were blown out of the window and scattered into the night sky.

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After dealing with them, Fade jumped out of the window. His jet-black silhouette vanished swiftly in the dark night.

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It was a quiet night in Dragonville. No one was aware that Norton and Loomis had died.

The next day, Maritime Ocean Pharma and Bald Eagle Pharma couldn't contact the both of them. The companies sent people out to look for them, as they felt that something had gone wrong.

However, nobody was able to find them. Norton and Loomis had disappeared overnight. No one knew where they were.

In the end, the police determined that they were missing.

When the citizens of Dragonville heard the news, they hoorahed and clapped their hands. After all, Maritime Ocean Pharma had gone too far in the matter of antibiotics. The people despised the company.

However, in the meantime, the atmosphere was tense in the Maritime Ocean Pharma in Jade City.

Leslie Chiang, the current head of the Chiang family, sat in the meeting hall with a gloomy face. A blonde foreigner was seated at the main seat. Bald Eagle Pharma had sent him to investigate the disappearance of Norton.

The blonde man was frustrated. He looked at Leslie and the others as he spoke, "Norton manages the Bald Eagle Pharma in Asia. His disappearance has a great impact on our company, especially during this critical moment of the battle for the patent of Alstom Antibiotic. With regards to this, what do you have in mind?"

When everyone heard this, they all lowered their heads in silence. Finally, somebody spoke. It was Leslie. "According to the

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police, Mr. Norton was classified as missing. Now, we are trying our best to look for—"

Before he could finish, the man interrupted, "Don't repeat what's stated on the documents. I think we all know what happened to Norton."

"Uh, we—" Leslie stuttered.

The man was stern. He banged the table and said, "Norton hired a killer from the Blood Blade Killer Organisation. Now, the killer is dead and Norton is missing. There is only one possibility. That is, Fade took his revenge."

A man from China killed one of Bald Eagle Pharma, yet no one knows anything about it. We won't let this matter off easily." he said.

Leslie wanted to say his cousin Loomis Chiang was missing too. However, under the current circumstances, it was clear that they did not care about him.

Leslie could only say, "Sir, the latest information we have is that, Fade is a martial arts master. He has a good reputation in the martial arts world of Dragonville. He is also known as Master Chen."

"It was speculated that he is at Earth Level. If we want to fight him, I'm afraid that it will be troublesome." Leslie explained.

The man said coldly, "I don't care about what trouble you would be facing. This matter must be solved as Norton is one of Bald Eagle Pharma, and a Micovian. Do you understand?"

In the face of someone with high status, Leslie had no choice but to nod, "I will find a way."

"Well, I'll wait for your news. Our patience is limited. I expect an efficient investigation. I can't guarantee anything if our company chooses another partner in China," the man said coldly.

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Upon hearing this, Leslie's expression changed. He assured them in a hurry, "Please don't worry. We will solve it as soon as possible."

"It's best to do so!" The other party got up and left.

Leslie got up in a hurry and sent him out respectfully.

In the meantime, in a building in the cave on a pleasant remote island in South East Asia, there were nine people sitting in a circle.

Their bodies were all tattooed with a blood dagger. It was the symbol of the Blood Blade Killer Organization.

The cave on the small island was a secret base of the organization.

The nine people in the base sat in silence. The atmosphere was tense.

A stout Asian man broke the silence. "Number 24 was one of ours. We have to do something about it. Or else, people won't take us seriously anymore."

As soon as the man finished, a buxom woman let out a laugh, "Hey, we're not mercenaries. We Blood Blades are a hitmen organization. It's not a big deal that one of us got killed when he failed to perform the mission. It's a waste of time to seek revenge for a piece of trash who failed."

When he heard this, the stout man raged, "He's one of us. Don't you care about his death at all?"

The woman went on, "Calm down, Kenny. You're agitated because that boy was your disciple."

"I don't agree to use the organization's resources to solve your personal grudges."

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Kenny refuted, "Nonsense. Number 24 was indeed my disciple. The main purpose of revenge is not for the sake of grudges, but for the honor of our organization."

"Haha, that's so cool of you." The buxom woman scoffed disdainfully.

"Davina, you—"

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As the two of them were arguing, a skinny South East Asian elderly man raised his right hand, and it silenced them right away.

Kenny and Davina looked at the elder and said respectfully, "Boss!"

The elder spoke, "There is no need to argue. I have already made a decision about this matter."

Hearing this, everyone looked at the elder attentively.

Under everyone's attention, the elder said, "Blood Blade is a killer organization. It is inevitable that one of us would be murdered when he failed the mission. Generally speaking, when such a thing happens, the organization would not bother about it."

Upon hearing this, Davina smirked as she looked at Kenny smugly.

Kenny chimed in, "Boss, I think..."

Before he could finish, the elder waved his hand and said, "Listen."

He changed his tone and continued, "But this time, it's different."

Everyone's expression changed when they heard this.

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Then, the elder continued, "Number 24 was killed in the middle of his mission. Not only was he killed, but he also spilled about the client who hired him, which is against the contract. As a result, the one who hired him might have been killed too."