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After the two of them finished their lunch and Conrad cleaned up the picnic basket and wiped the table, he moved the documents over.

"These are all the documents regarding your grandma's project. The contract is ready too. Take a look. If everything is alright, you can sign the papers."

Fia couldn't wait as she opened the folder. She wanted to see her grandma's glory.

Conrad stared at her and slowly said, "Sign it, and this project will be yours. You'll be its owner from now on. You'll be able to make all the

decisions over it."

"Stop. Let me finish first." The more Fia read about it, the more surprised she became. Her grandma's project was a fashion project, and its main feature was its emphasis on the traditional style.

All of her grandma's designs back then were extremely beautiful. Every single pattern and style she made was superb and they were all very fresh.

Inside the documents were also the results of the lawsuits

throughout the years. All of them were targeted cases where the plaintiffs had copied her grandma's designs. They won all of them.

No wonder it was so rare to see any other companies copy anything that the Maxwell Corporation produced. No wonder the law department and the lawyers from the company are so universally feared. Their reputation was built case after case!

When Fia thought about how powerful the Maxwell Corporation's law department was, and how her grandma would always mumble about how well Conrad's grandpa was, she couldn't help but ask, "Is the reason your grandpa created the law department in the company

because of my grandma's project?"

Conrad's chest tightened. "Yes."

He didn't realize that she would come to that conclusion. He had already destroyed evidence of whatever their grandparents had collaborated on.

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He didn't want her to know that he made a mistake in the lawsuit. He was doing his best to wipe out the connection that his grandpa and

Thea had.

"Your grandpa really is a good person. No wonder my grandma always praised him!" When Fia remembered her grandma's passing, she looked at Conrad coldly.

"If he hadn't passed away three years ago, he would have protected my grandma and she wouldn't have gotten ill from all the provocation."

Conrad didn't dare to look at Fia's eyes and looked to the side. He then said as calmly as possible, "When it comes to something that can affect the entire company's profitability, I can't simply look at the relationship of their generation."

"Then why are you willing to give the project back to me now?"

"Read it first."

Fia finished the contract and frowned.

The contract was very clear. The project would be transferred to her, but it would still belong to Maxwell Corporation.

In short, she could create new designs, hire a design team, and be the one with the final say on the design side of things. However, all financial-related matters including expenses, profit, sales, and others fall under the corporation's responsibility.

The company would, after calculating the expenses, share with her 70 % of the net profit.

“Why are you doing this?” She couldn’t understand why. 70% was a lot. She didn’t have to do anything other than put effort into the designs.

Even an outsider like her knew that the Maxwell corporation was a very powerful entity when it came to advertising and sales.

“Consider it part of my contribution to my grandpa and your grandma’s work.” Conrad still didn’t dare to look at Fia. She was very sensitive and he was afraid that she would become suspicious.

“You don’t admit it, but you still can’t let it go, can you? You’re blaming yourself for my grandma’s passing!”

Conrad could hear his heart thumping, but he had no choice but to look into Fia’s eyes. “I do blame myself when it comes to our private relationship, but I don’t think I did anything wrong when it comes to the company’s perspective.”

If she knew that a lot of people wanted this project back then and Thea only gave it to his grandpa thanks to their old relationship, and yet he angered Thea to the point of her passing away during the lawsuit... She would blame him for everything, so he must not tell her anything about it.

“Sure. But since grandma gave this project to the Maxwell

Corporation, then I should respect her wishes. For your grandpa’s sake as well,” Fia said as she extended her hand to Conrad. “Give me the pen.”

Conrad gave her the pen that he carried with him all the time. “You’ve double-checked all the terms and conditions? Nothing to add?”

“Nothing. Your terms are very generous,” Fia said. With a wave, she signed her name on the piece of paper.

Conrad looked at her face and saw how trusting she was. He

suddenly felt the weight on his shoulders. He didn’t want to hide it anymore.

“Fia, there’s something I want to…”

Just then, a ringtone cut off what he wanted to say.

Fia grabbed her phone. “It’s Eileen!”

She quickly answered, but her expression showed that she was being very careful.

She whispered, “Hello, Eileen? Where are you? Are you okay?”

Conrad stared at Fia. He didn’t know what was being said, but she stared at him after she hung up.

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There were people that would only love that one, single person. Even if they never met that person again, they could never let it go.

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When they were on their way back from Koi Gardens to the hospital, the two of them didn't speak to each other.

Conrad carried Fia back to her ward in the hospital, but there was already someone sitting there.

"Conrad..."

Esme looked at Conrad carrying Fia with teary eyes. She tightened her hands and cursed at Fia to die sooner than later in her mind.

Conrad looked at her with a frown before putting Fia back on the bed. and he said in a frosty demeanor, "Didn't I tell you not to come here and disturb Fia?"

“I have something important to tell you. It’s very important. I’ve been waiting for an hour, and I didn’t even eat breakfast.”

Fia raised an eyebrow as she lay on the bed. She sighed. ‘Here we go again. She’s trying to act pitiful to get more attention.’

“What is it?” Conrad sat next to the bed and said to her coldly.

Esme kept on acting and said, “After what happened to Eileen, I don’t know how they did their investigation but they pinned it on me. Your cousin then started to attack my dad’s business and he lost

businesses worth millions in just one morning. He got angry and hit me.”

She paused and then placed her left hand on her right, sobbing. “Fia, I know that you’re best friends with Eileen and she never liked me. She would verbally abuse me every time she saw me. But I’m innocent and didn’t do anything to you...”

“Can you take this outside?” Fia cut her off icily. She was bored of the same old act, and it was getting disgusting too.

Conrad gave Fia a glance and said, “No. I won’t. You’re going to misinterpret things.”

Fia was speechless.

He was right. But Esme disgusted her when she was around.

Conrad could see the agitation in her eyes, and so he said to Esme, You know whether you did it or not. If you did, apologize to the people

involved.”

“You don’t believe me, Conrad?”

Conrad didn’t want to talk to Esme about it. He only said, “You and Sapphire are good friends. You can ask her for help.”

Esme was shocked and saddened. It was the first time he was being so adamant that he would not deal with something for her.

“Conrad, I don’t care if other people don’t believe me, but how can you

not believe me? I'm..."

"You're so annoying!" Fia sat up by pulling herself up using the bed head as she stared at Esme with a dark expression on her face, who was still trying to sell how miserable she was.

"You know better than anyone whether you took that video and whether you posted it!"

She went to that bar frequently with Esme in the past. She knew where it was with just one look at its interior decorations.

"That night, Eileen saw you at the bar drinking. You two saw her with Victor. From my understanding of your character, I can confirm that you did it. Unless you're implying that he took the video?"

Fia glared at Conrad before looking at Esme. "Admit it if you did it, alright? He already found out that you did it and you're still trying to

worm your way out!"

"I..." Esme gritted her teeth and wished she could shred Fia's mouth to pieces. Why did she want to say things so clearly? So that Conrad wouldn't give her another chance?

"Enough. I can't help you with this. Go apologize to them yourself." Conrad's tone was firm. "Since the Maxwells and the Mannings do have a relationship with each other, if you apologize wholeheartedly, Victor won't go overboard with it."

Fia smiled mockingly. "And here's why I'm thinking that you're telling her to apologize."

Conrad frowned and knew that Fia was overthinking things again. He grabbed her hand and said, "It has already happened and the dust has mostly settled. Apologizing quickly is the method that's the most efficient."

Esme quickly said, "Conrad's right. It doesn't matter whether or not I'm the one that did this. As long as his cousin stops, I can apologize to them. But Fia, your best friend Eileen has always been someone bitter. I'm worried that she won't forgive me."

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