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The other day, Felix had checked the surveillance footage and saw that Derek didn't help him when he was framed. Because of that, he had a fistfight with Derek and ended up severing ties with him. If he were to see us having dinner with Layne right now, he might lose his shit and cause a scene.

Before I could ponder on the matter further, Felix already saw us.

He was talking to Eric while they were entering the restaurant. The moment he caught sight of us, his face turned grim and his eyes flared up with anger. Aaron seemed to have noticed the look on Felix's face, so he followed the latter's gaze and saw me right away.

Felix wanted to walk to our table, but Aaron stopped him and steered him to the other side of the hall. Then, they sat down at a table far from ours.

There was now a large pillar blocking our view. Fortunately, the other people with me didn't see Felix and his company.

I breathed a sigh of relief, and thought that Aaron would probably be able to stop Felix from doing anything stupid.

At the same time, I hoped that our dinner with Layne would end as soon as possible.

However, Louise seemed to be in a good mood today. It sounded like she had a lot of things she wanted to talk about.

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Around thirty minutes later, Derek had already burned through several cigarettes.

It was then that I saw Felix walking towards us with a bottle of wine in hand. Aaron and Eric tried to restrain him, but he broke free.

When Derek looked up, he noticed Felix coming our way, but he still seemed calm.

Acting as though he didn't even notice Derek, Felix went straight to the table and put the bottle of wine down.

"What a coincidence!" he said, smiling like usual. It appeared that Felix had drunk a lot.

Louise was previously leaning on Layne's shoulder, but she was now sitting upright and looking at Felix. Based on the look on her face, she was alarmed.

None of us spoke. We were all just looking at the uninvited guest. The atmosphere had become awkward.

Felix poured some wine into a glass and smirked. "I'm here to wish you all a happy New Year. Am I not welcome here?"

After a moment of silence, Layne grabbed the bottle and filled his own glass. Then, he raised it towards Felix. "Happy New Year, bud." With that said, he gulped down the entire glass of wine.

A frigid smile appeared on Felix's lips as he glanced around the table. He just swept his eyes past Derek, as though he had never met him before. In the end, his eyes fell on Colin.

Colin was the one sitting closest to him, so Felix took his glass and refilled it.

Visibly embarrassed, Colin picked up his glass and said with sincerity, "You saved my life, Felix. And for that, I will forever be grateful to you."

Felix had one of his hands in his pocket, and the other swiveling the wine glass around.

"Just because you said you're grateful, does that mean we're even now?"

That sentence heightened the already strained tension in the air.

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Felix might've drunk more than he could handle. I was really worried that he would say something even worse to ruin the entire night.

Seconds later, Aaron and Eric also came to our table. Eric glanced at Derek, and the latter gave him a knowing look.

It was then that Eric tried to drag Felix away. "What are you doing here? Are you here to greet some acquaintances? Well, now that you've made your toast to them, let's go back to our own table and drink, shall we?"

Felix pulled his arm out of Eric's grasp with great strength, and then he slammed down the glass in his hand onto the table, causing the wine to splash upwards.

He looked over at Colin with eyes filled with both misery and hatred. The latter was looking down, unable to raise his head.

"If you weren't her father, I would've killed you already. But no, you're Louise's father. So if you die, she'll be devastated," said Felix.

"Enough!" This time, Louise was the one who spoke.

She looked at Felix and quickly averted her gaze. It seemed like she couldn't bear to see him like this.

Louise stood up, filled up her glass, put down the bottle, and raised her glass. She made sure that every word that came out of her mouth was heard loud and clear.

"Felix, I am grateful to you. Thank you for everything you've done for me. You're a man, so I hope you can act like one and put the past behind you."

Her voice was choked, almost like she was on the brink of sobbing. Then, she looked down and added, "After this drink, let's go our separate ways. We won't even be friends, and I hope you can stop bothering me again in the future."

The atmosphere was almost suffocating.

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Layne didn't stop Louise, nor did he interrupt her. He just quietly held her hand and did his best to comfort her.

Meanwhile, Felix was rooted to his spot for a long time.

Louise kept holding her glass in midair and stubbornly waiting for his response.

She was forcing him to oblige!

At this moment, Felix looked at Louise with all the sadness built up in his heart. His hands were trembling as he forced himself to raise his glass. Slowly, he held his glass towards the one in her hand.

As their glasses clinked, it seemed like an invisible bond between them had been shattered into pieces.

Afterwards, Louise gulped down her wine, leaving not a single drop in the glass.

Felix, on the other hand, didn't drink until he saw that her glass had been emptied. A bitter smile formed on his lips as he drank his wine down. Then, the glass in his trembling hand fell to the floor, shattering upon impact.

His eyes became bloodshot, and he tried to force himself to smile and nod. "Indeed. It's time we go our separate ways."

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"You're drunk, Felix!" Soon after that brief interaction, Eric and Aaron dragged Felix away. As soon as Felix turned around, a tear fell from the corner of his eye.

I wasn't sure if Louise saw him tearing up, but from where I was sitting, I could see it clearly. Felix was walking away with an unsteady gait, clearly inebriated. Even from afar, I sensed his overwhelming sadness.

Instead of going back to their table, Eric and Aaron helped him out of the restaurant.

Louise sat back down, pretending as though nothing had happened. She just asked the waiter to bring over a menu, ready to order some more. But the moment she looked at the menu, her pale face betrayed her true emotions.

Thus, I took the menu from her hand and said, "You shouldn't order anymore. You've had enough. Don't let all that food go to waste."

From what I could see, none of us at the table were in the mood to eat anymore, including me and Derek.

Moments later, our dinner finally concluded. When we got out of the restaurant, Layne took off his coat and draped it over Louise's shoulders. Louise looked awful. She couldn't even find the strength to bid goodbye to me.

I could tell that she was incredibly sad right now, so 1 didn't say anything more. I just told her that she should go home early and get some rest. After getting in the car with Derek, he told me that he didn't want to go home yet.

He was acting all mysterious and was unwilling to explain why. I couldn't tell what he was planning to do.

A while later, he drove the car into Dere International's underground parking lot.

After he pulled over, I turned to look at him.

"Mr. Sullivan, you're not planning to work overtime during a holiday, are you? You're so dedicated to your job! They should give you an award as the most diligent CEO of the year!" Derek chuckled as he flicked my forehead.

"Get out of the car," he said before opening the door and getting out.

Once I had gotten out of the car, he held my hand and led me into the building.

At the moment, there were no other employees in the building aside from the security guards on duty. Everybody else must've gone home for the holidays.

Derek and I took the elevator to the top floor, and then walked to the roof.

"This building is the tallest one in Sousen. From up here, we have an overlooking view of the entire city," Derek remarked.

I walked to the edge of the rooftop to look down. And when I got there, my legs grew weak.

I backed away from the edge and waved my hands in refusal.

"No, no! This is too high, Derek. I'm scared of heights."

Derek held my hand, smiled, and pulled me into his arms. Gently, he rubbed my shoulders in an attempt to comfort me.

"No need to be afraid, my love. I'm right beside you."

Then, he led me back to the edge.

"Just don't look down, okay?" he said. "Focus on the horizon," he added.

The moment I looked into the distance; I was stupefied.

I never knew that Sousen could be this beautiful at night. Every building was accentuated beautifully, and the scenery was nothing short of majestic. The continuously flowing traffic and the light from every vehicle made the city look lively. Even though Sousen wasn't the most prosperous city in the country, it was certainly a great place to live.

The New Year Bell hadn't rung yet, but the fireworks had already been set off one after another.

"Wait a minute," Derek suddenly said.

"Where are you going?" I asked nervously.

To be perfectly honest, I was terrified to be here on the dark rooftop all alone.

After taking a few steps, Derek turned around and flashed me a bright smile.

"Just stand still and enjoy the beauty of the night. I promise you, you're not going to fall."

With that, he left the rooftop.