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"Never would I have expected to see Yuri Zhang, the innocent campus belle of our Capital City Music Academy, in a bar acting like a wh*re. What will happen if I spread the word to our school mates?" Easton gave a lopsided smile.

Yuri's face turned red with anger as she said, "Easton, don't talk nonsense. I'm not a wh*re."

"Oh, is that crap?" Easton laughed, "We will know if it's crap or not if you follow me to my room. I'll be a tester and see if you're still a virgin. If you are, I'll take back my words, how about that?" He smiled in a leery way and closed in on her.

So enraged was Yuri that she turned beet red. She spat and said, "You are shameless!"

"Yes, I'm shameless. Not only am I shameless today, I also want you!" He rubbed his hands together and laughed maniacally, "Let's see how far you are going to put up this act!"

Frightened, she stepped back again.

Fury was written all over Jasmine's face as she stood in front of Yuri and said sternly, "If you come any closer, don't blame me for being impolite."

Easton's gaze turned towards her. His eyes lit up as he licked his lips and said, "Hey beautiful, don't be impatient! Why don't you and Yuri have some fun with me in my private room? I have a few mates in there, so we can all have fun together. I mean, it's not like you're a stranger to this."

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Slap!

Fury filled Jasmine as she slapped Easton's face, giving rise to a crisp sound.

He was puzzled for a moment before rage took over his expression, "B*tch, you dare to slap me! Don't you know who I am? I'II..."

Roaring with the devil's own wrath, he was about to make a move on Jasmine.

However, at this moment, a large hand grabbed him by his collar and directly lifted him up. Then, a deep and suppressed voice could be heard saying, "Do you want to die?"

Easton turned his head and saw a young man in his twenties with a gloomy face. He immediately shouted, "Who are you? Let go of me, I..."

Slap!

Unhesitatingly, Fade gave Easton another slap. It was unlike Jasmine's earlier slap. The force was so great that Easton's cheeks turned red and swollen. Two of his teeth had been knocked out by Fade and they fell to the ground together with a mouthful of blood.

Easton let out a blood-curdling scream before he shouted, "How dare you hit me? Do you know who I am? I am Easton, and my father is the director of the eastern suburb. I..."

He was still shouting, but Fade wasn't bothered. He gave him another slap, and another two teeth of his on the other side were also knocked out. His mouth started dripping blood and his speech was badly affected.

Jasmine and Yuri immediately leapt towards Fade the moment they saw him. Their expressions were a blend of anger and a

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kernel of excitement, and their eyes were shining like pearls.

"Brother Chen, here you are."

"Brother Chen, just now, he..."

Fade held the two women in his arms and comforted them, "Don't worry, I'm here now. It's okay."

Then, he kicked Easton, who was still lying on the ground groaning in pain, and brought the two ladies back.

No sooner had they returned to their booth that the others saw that something was off, so they asked about what happened.

As Yuri and Jasmine started explaining, they put two and two together. Easton was Yuri's senior in her campus, and he had pursued her before.

However, just because his father was a director in their suburb, Easton was very arrogant. On top of that, he was also a playboy. Yuri would never agree to go out with a guy like him, so she rejected him right away.

Easton, who had been rejected a few times, was displeased about that. Little did he expect to run into her in the Windy Desert Bar.

Clearly, he had been under alcohol's influence as he got lusty and even wanted to force Yuri to his will.

Joey, known for her violent temper, immediately slammed a wine bottle on the table upon hearing this and said, "Who the f*ck does he think he is to be treating Yuri like this!"

"Fade, what did you do to that bastard?" She asked.

Without waiting for his reply, Yuri answered, "Brother Chen has already given Easton a good beating, and several of his teeth

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have fallen out. I don't think he has the balls to repeat this in the future."

Joey smacked her palm on the table. "Fade, you only knocked out some of his teeth when he did this to Yuri?"

"If it was me, I would first thrash that guy, then tie him up and cut his balls off! Otherwise it wouldn't be enough to vent my anger," she said.

Yuri, who had always been gentle and quiet, was rather stumped at her words. She immediately said, "Joey, this... this whole thing is getting to you. He didn't even touch me, so you don't have to go that far... What Fade did was already enough."

"What? I know scum when I see one, and they will never stop until they feel the pain." Joey said with confidence, "We can't let him get away with this."

"Let's go, Yuri, I'll avenge you." She grabbed Yuri and walked out.

The others exchanged glances; surprised and confused faces found each other as they stared at Fade.

He knew well of Joey's explosive temper, so he nodded and stood up, "Let's go and have a look."

Then, the rest of the gang all got up and rushed over.

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At this moment, on the other side, Easton's face was red and swollen, and his mouth stained with blood. He howled as he dragged himself to his private room. Immediately, there was a wave of gasps.

"Easton, what's wrong with you?" Someone asked.

"A trip to the bathroom and you lost your teeth? Wait, did you knock your head on the toilet?" Someone joked.

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A man, who was lounging on the sofa in the middle of the room, frowned slightly and said to the bodyguards standing behind him, "Take care of Easton."

Hearing that, the bodyguards nodded and went to tend to Easton and his injuries. A few minutes later, he came back with an ice pack on his face.

The man said in a deep voice, "Easton, tell me, what happened?"

"Young Master Tan, this is what happened. I..." He grimaced, his face filled with hatred as he recounted what had just happened.

After hearing what he'd shared, the rest of the people in the room started cursing.

"Bloody h*II, who is that sh*tty guy? How dare he hit Easton!"

"Innocent campus belle? She's just putting on an act. What's the difference between a 'campus belle' and a prostitute anyway?"

"In my opinion, they're just a bunch of imbeciles who don't know anything about this world. Easton, flaunt your father's status and they'll learn it the hard way."

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Easton's face was full of grievances as he said, "I did mention my dad, but they weren't bothered about it... Moreover, that guy seems to know martial arts..."

"Martial arts? What a joke. He's nobody in front of our Young Master Tan!" A guy said as he casted a look full of admiration at the man sitting on the sofa.

"In my opinion, they are like those nerds in school who think they are powerful just because they have a skill or two, but little do they know that one will only be deemed powerful if they are from strong backgrounds. Do some research on them. No matter if they are in work or in school, get them expelled. Let them know what it feels like to suffer. I'm sure they'll come crying and begging in front of Easton, then we'll be able to do whatever we want to them!" Another sassy guy said.

Hearing this, Easton gritted his teeth and his face was full of resentment. "Okay then, we will have to teach them a lesson. I'll make Yuri, that b*tch kneel in front of me and beg me for it! F*ck it!"

The others echoed

At this moment, Young Master Tan, who was sitting in the middle of the sofa, waved his hand. He appeared uninterested as he said, "Alright, let's stop wasting our time on such small matters. Let's continue with what we were doing."

"Yes, Young Master Tan."

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"Come on, find a beauty to sing a song or two for our Young Master Tan."

"This is my song, I can sing a duet to entertain Young Master Tan."

"F*ck off, you are a guy and nowhere near a beauty. What fun will there be?"

"Haha!"

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Just as everyone in the room started singing and having fun.

Suddenly, the door was kicked open. A woman's voice rang out, "Where is Easton Liu? Get the f*ck out of here."

In an instant, everyone in the room looked towards the door.

When they saw Joey kicking in through the door, their eyes suddenly lit up and their faces were full of excitement.

This was especially the case for Easton. He smiled and said, "Beauty, are you here for me? What's the matter?"

The others also started to gossip with excitement.

"Easton, it seems that you've hooked up with another beautiful woman!"

"This chick here is not bad!"

"Wait a minute. Let's have fun together!"

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Joey wasn't bothered by the jokes. Her gaze was fixed on Easton as she stepped towards him and asked coldly, "So, you are

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Easton Liu?"

"I am. How should I address you, my beautiful lady? Why are you looking for me?" He intentionally stroked his hair, ignoring his swollen face as he tried to sound charming.

However, just as he started smiling, Joey slapped him directly on the face. Immediately, there was a clear cracking sound, and the wound that had just started healing was cracked open again. Fresh blood started flowing down his face.

He was confused. He covered his cheek, and looked at Joey in disbelief as he asked, "You... What are you doing? Why did you hit me?"

"Why?" Joey snorted coldly, as she pulled Yuri out from behind her and shouted, "Have you forgotten that you bullied Yuri?

"Now, kneel down and apologize to her," she shouted domineeringly.

As soon as Easton saw Yuri, his face fell. He looked at the person standing in front of him and said in a low voice, "It's you?"

At this moment, the other people in the private room looked over at Yuri and their faces changed. They looked at each other and began to talk about her.

"Here comes another beautiful woman. She's even on par with the other girl!"

"No wonder he couldn't contain himself. Even I would fall for this beauty right here!"

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Young Master Tan, who was obviously the center of attention among this group of people, walked over with a smile and said, "Hey there, we are all civilized people. Let's try to talk things through, shall we?"

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"He's right, he's Sinclair Tan, whom we call Young Master Tan, and this is Young Old Mr. Liu and Master Han. We are all reputable figures in Capital City. Let's be friends, shall we?" Someone echoed.

Hearing this, Joey glanced at them and said rudely, "Do you think I don't know what you are thinking? You are all a group of rich kids, who are like parasites to your parents, spending their money to bully the weak. You are all disgusting!

"Just f*ck off, would you?"

After cursing, Joey's gaze was still fixed on Easton as she sternly shouted, "Kneel down and apologize! Didn't you hear what I said?"

He didn't expect her to be so hot-tempered. His face darkened.

As for Sinclair and the others, they did not expect her to be so disrespectful towards them either. Hence, they all glared at her fiercely.

"It's great that a beauty like you has character, but it's stupid for you to not know your place."

"Let me tell you this. Easton's father is the director of the Education Bureau in the eastern suburbs of Capital City. Are you sure you can afford to offend him?"

"As for Master Han, his father is working in the business bureau, and his mother is from the tax bureau."

"As for Young Master Tan over here, he is even more incredible than all of us. The Tan family has a martial arts foundation for over a hundred years. The number of his relatives who serve as an officer in the army is countless. Young Master Tan himself also has the rank of a lieutenant."

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"You are all talking so much nonsense. What do you want to say exactly?" Joey glared at him.

He was startled before he narrowed his eyes and said in a low voice, "Nonsense? It seems that if I don't teach you a lesson, you won't know your place at all."

After that, he waved his hand and shouted, "Security, come and catch them."

Suddenly, several uniformed security guards came over and were about to grab Yuri and Joey.

Although Yuri didn't know martial arts, and Joey couldn't make full use of her cultivation because of her physical condition, she was still able to defeat the security guards easily because of her strong martial arts foundation.

Seeing that she had defeated the tough looking security guards with ease, the rich kids stared with strange expressions.

"It seems that she has some skills. No wonder she's so arrogant."

"She's a martial arts student. No wonder she's so hot-tempered."

"So what if she's good at martial arts? She's just a slightly trained individual."

"Call the bodyguards. Catch them!" A rich kid shouted.

Suddenly, several men in black, who were obviously more professional than the security guards, stepped forward and approached Joey.

Seeing this, she narrowed her eyes slightly, with a strange look in her eyes.

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She was not afraid of these bodyguards. Although she was not in good physical health, it was not a big deal for her to take down a few bodyguards of the Yellow Level.

However, just as she was about to make a move, Fade came out from behind and said to her, "Joey, let me do it."

"Okay!" She nodded and stood behind with Yuri.

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Easton's eyes narrowed when he saw Fade. A look of anger and hatred appeared in his eyes as he glared at him and gritted his teeth. "It's you. How dare you come to my territory. You must be courting death!"

Easton then looked towards the sofa and shouted, "Young Master Tan, this kid knows martial arts. Please lend me your bodyguard."

Sinclair did not look up. He waved his hand and said, "Bandru, go ahead. Be quick. Don't disappoint us."

"Yes, Young Master Tan!" A man in his forties or fifties strode over with a calm demeanor.

Compared to the bodyguards that Easton and the rest had dispatched, Bandru's aura was obviously much stronger. The aura of martial arts that he exuded was definitely not something that an ordinary martial artist could exude.

With the help of Bandru, Easton's expression became proud and arrogant. He looked at Fade and said with a smile, "You brat, did you just show off your martial arts in front of me?"

"Now, I'd like to see you show off again. Master Lin here is the bodyguard of Young Master Tan. He has the martial arts strength of the Middle-stage of the Black Level. He can kill you with just one hand."

Easton was pleased with himself as he continued saying, "If you kneel down and beg for mercy now, perhaps I can consider whether I should only break a leg or two of yours."

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Fade looked at Master Lin and frowned slightly. He asked, "Are you a soldier? Or have you joined the army before?"

Master Lin paused for a moment and then said, "I've retired from the army."

He nodded and was about to say something.

Joey, who was behind him, could not wait any longer, "Why are you wasting time? Just beat them up. They are just a bunch of garbage. There's no need to waste any more time on them."

"We still have our drinks to get back to, am I right, Melanie and Yankee?" Joey said with a smile.

Hearing Joey's words, Easton looked behind Fade and immediately found Melanie and Yankee, two other beautiful women.

If Yuri was considered an innocent beauty, and if Joey was the lively kind of beauty, then Melanie's beauty was more towards the mature sexy type, whereas Yankee was a tomboy beauty.

He was a little dazzled by the sight of the four beauties standing there.

At the same time, he also felt jealous of and frustrated with Fade. Why was it that someone like him could have four beauties of different styles by his side?

It seemed that they had to knock him down in order to score these four beauties. When Easton thought of this, a cruel look appeared on his face. He then said to Bandru, "Master Lin, break both of his legs, and do not harm any of the beauties standing behind him."

Bandru stepped out, and his aura began to surge. He was about to attack Fade.

Fade narrowed his eyes and was ready to fight.

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However, at this moment, Sinclair, who had just lowered his head, looked up again. A light flashed across his eyes and he looked horrified. He bounced up from the sofa and hurriedly waved his hand as he shouted, "Stop, stop right now. Don't do anything."

Bandru, who was about to make a move, and Easton, who was extremely excited at the fight, were all puzzled when they heard his cry. They looked over at the same time.

Bandru stopped and Easton was confused. He looked at Sinclair and asked, "Young Master Tan, what's wrong?"

Sinclair glared at him fiercely, gritted his teeth and said, "Easton, you nearly killed me."

Then, in the midst of Easton's confusion, Sinclair walked up to Fade and forced a smile. He bowed and said, "M-Mr. Chen, you, you are here!"

Fade looked at Sinclair in front of him. For a moment, he felt a little awkward. He seemed disinterested and said, "You are?"

He quickly introduced himself, "I'm Sinclair Tan. Some time ago, during the party at the quadrangle courtyard, Sandra and I..."

"Oh, it's you! You are Sandra's boyfriend!" Fade finally had some impression of him.

"Yes, yes, that's me, Mr. Chen," Sinclair hurriedly nodded. At the same time, he smiled and continued, "And, you know my sister too."

"Your sister? Who is she?" Fade really couldn't remember.

Sinclair said, "Mr. Chen, my sister is Belinda. The Five Elements Squad's..."

Hearing this, Fade looked a little surprised. "Belinda is your sister?"

Belinda, the captain of the Water Squad in the Five Elements Squad, was a pretty girl with short hair, and she was tough. Fade

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could never relate her with Sinclair if he didn't bring this up.

Fade looked at him and said, "You and your sister don't resemble each other! Your sister has made great contributions in the military camp, but you seem to be enjoying yourself out here!"

Hearing this, Sinclair immediately looked ashamed. He lowered his head and said, "I, I'm not as talented as my sister. I don't have much talent in martial arts. I..."

Fade didn't have the mood to engage in small talks. He waved his hand and interrupted Sinclair's words. He pointed at Easton and said in a deep voice, "Tell me, what's going on? Did you instruct him to do it?"

Hearing this, Sinclair quickly waved his hand and said, "No, no. Mr. Chen, I barely know him, and we were just having some drinks here. I don't know about anything he did outside. If I knew, I wouldn't even have allowed it."

"Really?" Fade said in a deep voice, "Tell me then, what should we do with this?"

Sinclair immediately looked at Easton and shouted, "Easton, how dare you make a move on Mr. Chen's friends? Quickly come here and apologize!"

At first, Easton thought that Sinclair was here to support him, but he did not expect this to happen. He could not help but be doubtful as he asked, "Young Master Tan, I..."

The other few rich kids also looked puzzled and started to ask.

"Young Master Tan, what's going on? Do you know this guy?"

"Since you know him, why don't we break only one of his legs?"

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"Young Master Tan, what's wrong with you? He's just a brat. I'm sure he's no big deal!"

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Hearing their words, Sinclair felt like his blood vessels were about to explode. He glanced at them and shouted, "Shut up if you don't want to die! Easton, apologize immediately!"

All the rich kids were shocked by Sinclair's attitude, and they were dumbfounded.

Easton's face fell as he frowned. He looked over reluctantly.

Seeing this, Sinclair was anxious and he was on the verge of cursing at Easton. How could Easton drag him down into such a mess!

He was this near to pressing Easton's head down and forcing his apology, when...

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Fade's eyes narrowed, as he waved his hand and said, "It seems like they will not learn their lesson if I don't teach them one."

With these words, he shot out a ray of light from his palms and broke Easton's left leg in an instant, causing him to let out a horrifying howl.

As he howled, Fade broke his other leg with a splash. Easton screamed miserably at once.

The other rich kids also felt a pain in their chests when they heard his screams. All of them looked nervous and did not dare to make a sound.

"Young Master Tan, help me. Young Master Tan..." Easton screamed in pain. However, at this moment, Sinclair lowered his head and dared not say a word. He could only pretend that he did not see anything.

Fade said coldly, "I warned you not to cause Yuri any trouble. If this happens again, I will make sure that you would suffer so much that you would wish you were dead instead."

After that, he turned around and was about to leave the room.

Joey, who was standing behind, suddenly stepped forward and kicked Easton between his legs.

With a crack, he clutched his crotch with his eyes almost popping out due to the pain.

She looked at him, as if she was satisfied with her work, then she clapped her hands and tugged Yuri, "It's all done now. Let's

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head back.

"By the way, Yuri, if you meet any guy who wants to make a move on you, just kick them hard in that exact same spot. You must teach them a painful lesson!" Joey said sternly.

The ones in the room were silent until Fade and his gang left the room. They immediately asked their bodyguards to take care of Easton's injuries.

His pain finally subsided by a little. He was waiting for the ambulance to arrive as he looked at Sinclair with confusion and resentment in his eyes.

The other rich young masters also gave Sinclair a strange look. Although they did not say anything, there was obviously some estrangement and confusion in their expressions.

Sinclair understood what they were thinking. After all, in their eyes, they were friends who had fun together, but he, who was like a leader to them, did not protect them, but instead pushed them to the enemy.

They felt betrayed no matter what.

Sinclair's background was much stronger than theirs, but he knew that he still had to make things clear before his reputation was damaged among their social circle.

Hence, he looked around at them, then sighed and said, "I know what you are thinking. You think that I've betrayed Easton and pushed him to the enemy."

They didn't say a word, but this silence had already reflected their thoughts.

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He continued to explain, "Actually, I did this for Easton, and for all of us."

Upon hearing this, their eyes flickered, and they obviously showed a look of disbelief.

Seeing this, he sighed and said, "The reason why I said so is that we can't afford to offend Mr. Chen."

Upon hearing that, they could not help feeling curious and doubtful.

"Mr. Chen? Is he famous?"

"Young Master Tan, your Tan family is reputable in the martial arts world, yet even you can't afford to offend him?"

"I think he's only someone who knows how to fight. We don't lack powerful officials in our families. So what if he knows martial arts? We can still take him down easily."

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Hearing this, Sinclair shook his head and said, "Those things you all just mentioned would be useful if he was someone ordinary, but Mr. Chen is definitely not an ordinary guy."

"Let me tell you this. His name is Fade, and he teaches Chinese medicine at Capital University. On top of that, he's also a martial artist."

"A teacher and a martial artist... He sounds ordinary to me, doesn't he?" Someone asked.

Sinclair continued, "He's not an ordinary martial artist. He's a top master."

"I wonder how powerful he is. Is he of the Yellow Level or the Black Level?" Someone asked.

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"Can he be more powerful than Master Lin?"

"He can't be an Earth Level master, can he?"

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Sinclair nodded and said in a deep voice, "He is indeed an Earth Level master. You all know my sister, right?"

"Of course we do. Belinda is an iconic strong woman in Capital City."

"That's right. She became the captain of the Water Squad in the Five Elements Squad before she turned 30. Her skills are of the Middle Stage of the Earth Level, and she ranks 17th on the Dragon List. She's a real expert!"

"Wrong, she's no longer 17th. The Dragon List ranking has been updated after the Martial Arts Convention, and Belinda has advanced to the 12th place. It's not impossible for her to enter the top 10 in the future."

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Sinclair nodded as he listened to their discussions. A proud look appeared on his face. Without a doubt, Belinda was the pride of the Tan Family.

However, he immediately darkened his face and said in a serious tone, "You know how powerful my sister is. Now let me tell you, Mr. Chen is also working in the Stealth Team. He is my sister's immediate superior, the chief instructor of the Five Elements Squad."

"Other than that, during the Martial Arts Convention that has just ended, he defeated Faxon in the final round and obtained the number one position on the Dragon List. This is the Fade Chen I was talking about."

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After hearing Sinclair's words, they were all shocked.

"This, this is impossible! How could he be so powerful?"

"He is the chief instructor of the Stealth Team? And also number one on the Dragon List?"

"As number one on the Dragon List, he should possess the advanced skills of the Earth Level, am I right?"

"No wonder! Thank you, Young Master Tan for stepping in to stop us. Otherwise, we wouldn't even be able to walk out from that!"

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Amidst the cries of surprise and fear, even Easton's expression changed, and his face revealed a look of surprise.

Sinclair looked at him and said, "Easton, do you understand what I mean? It's not that I'm ungrateful. It's just that we are not of the same level. Mr. Chen is not someone we can deal with. Do you understand now?"

"I, I understand!" Easton was silent for a while. Although there was still unwillingness and resentment deep in his eyes, he had no choice but to nod.

Sinclair patted his shoulder when he saw this. He immediately thought of something and said, "Take a look outside. Why hasn't the ambulance arrived yet? Why is it so slow?"

One of his men went out immediately to check on the situation, but soon, he came back in a panic, "Bad news... Something bad happened."

Sinclair frowned at his words and yelled coldly, "Speak clearly. What happened?"

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The subordinate panicked and said, "A group of fierce looking people are here, and they look like they are about to fight someone. I heard that they are here on Young Master Hu's instruction."

"Young Master Hu? Is he the same Young Master Hu that we know?" The rich kids asked in confusion.

The subordinate said, "I heard that he is Farrell Hu."

"Farrell!" Sinclair and the others were surprised to hear that name.

"Farrell, why is he here?"

"The Hu family is a family with real power and influence. What is he doing here?"

"That's right. The high ranking officials in our family can't even be on par with the Hu family."

"The Hu Family is working in the Sports Bureau, and they are even the in-laws of the Zhao family. How can we ever be compared to them!"

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They sounded envious.

Even Sinclair looked curious and confused. He stood up and said, "Let's go out and have a look."

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Immediately, they walked out of their room and headed downstairs, in hopes to find out what was going on.

They saw more than 20 bodyguards in black suits standing on the first floor of the bar, and they all looked tough. The patrons who were supposed to be out on the dance floor had all hidden in one corner.

Then, Farrell strode towards a seat with anger on his face, while being surrounded by a wall of his bodyguards.

"Fade, get the f*ck out here!" Farrell shouted angrily.

Hearing this, Sinclair's heart skipped a beat. Could it be that Farrell was looking for Fade? No way!

Just when Sinclair was gasping in his heart, Fade and his gang stood up from their booths and looked towards Farrell's direction.

Fade's eyes narrowed slightly, and then he said coldly, "It's you? What are you doing here?"

"What am I doing here?" Farrell picked up an expandable baton and smashed it on Fade's table, smashing the wine and food. Then, he glared at him and said angrily, "What do you think I'm going to do? Did you forget what happened at Swallow Lake two days ago?"

Upon hearing this, Fade said faintly, "Is this about Swallow Lake and the stall... What do you want to do about that?"

"What do you think I'm about to do?" Farrell was full of arrogance. "First of all, hand over the Frost Plum Blossom. Then, break both your arms on your own. Don't force me to do it for you."

Hearing this, Fade sneered and crossed his arms in front of his chest, saying, "Break my own arms? Should I also kneel down to apologize to you?"

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"Of course you should!" He nodded.

Fade's face immediately darkened. Without further ado, he sent a palm flying over. Farrell was caught off guard and was sent kneeling on the ground by Fade's palm.

"Ouch..." Farrell screamed in pain. He glared at Fade and his eyes were full of resentment. "How dare you hit me! You must be looking for death..."

Amidst the roar, Farrell shouted, "Come and kill him!"

Suddenly, the Hu family's bodyguards brought by Farrell were about to rush up and attack Fade.

Seeing this, Sinclair's gang started murmuring among themselves.

"It's really Farrell Hu!"

"Is this man, who seems to be in a conflict with Young Master Hu, the same Mr. Chen?"

"Although Mr. Chen is indeed a martial artist, I'm afraid it won't be easy for him to get away after offending the Hu Family this time!"

"The Hu family is not a small family like ours."

"He deserves it anyway!" One rich kid who was much more closer to Easton said mockingly. It was clear that he did not like Fade.

When his companions heard this, they quickly pulled him over and pointed at Sinclair. They then shot him a meaningful glance and said, "Don't say that. Young Master Tan is still here."

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The rich kid's voice became softer.

As for Sinclair, the moment he saw Fade stand up, his heart thumped and he had a bad feeling about this.

Sinclair had never liked Fade's attitude either. However, after learning about his identity and his skills, coupled with the praises from his sister, Sinclair started to change his impression towards him.

But now, he was still in a dilemma.

If his sister was here, she would ask Sinclair to step in and help Fade with this. With this, Fade's impression of him would improve, and it would also improve the bond between the two of them.

However, this time, Fade had offended the Hu Family, which made Sinclair feel a little helpless.

The Tan family was indeed powerful. There were many military officials in their family, as well as young and promising officers like Belinda.

However, compared to the Hu family, they were still slightly inferior. Although their martial arts practitioners were powerful, most of the people in this world were still ordinary people, and the officials who managed the ordinary people were those with greater authority.

Therefore, unless the martial artist had reached some kind of peak in their skills, the martial artist would still be inferior to influential officials. Especially in an era where firearms and weapons were on an advanced scale, 99% of the martial artists wouldn't even survive being attacked by firearms.

Moreover, the Hu family was backed by the powerful Zhao family as well. The Tan family might not be able to defeat both families even if they were to compete in martial arts.

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These thoughts made Sinclair feel conflicted. If he really stepped in for Fade, he would definitely offend the Hu Family, who would become a tough enemy for them.

"What should I do?" He was in a dilemma. He couldn't find the answer. He took out his phone and called Belinda. He told her what happened and wanted to know what should be done.

Sinclair thought that she would hesitate. After all, the Hu Family was not to be trifled with. However, Belinda did not hesitate at all after hearing what had happened. She said directly, "Do you need to think much about it? Of course, you have to help Instructor Chen!"

"But, the Hu family..." Sinclair was still a little worried.

She interrupted him and said, "Don't think too much. Instructor Chen is much more powerful than you think. He doesn't need your help at all, but we should still do something to show that we, the Tan family, support him."

"As for the Hu Family, I'll explain it to our family. You don't have to worry about it," she said.

After hearing his sister's words, Sinclair didn't hesitate anymore. He hung up the phone and walked out directly.

The bodyguards of the Hu Family were about to attack Fade, when Sinclair came over and shouted, "Hold it right there."

Hearing the voice, everyone looked at him.

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"Sinclair, why are you here?" Farrell, who was struggling to stand up with the help of others, looked surprised when he saw Sinclair coming over.

Then, he snorted, "What are you trying to do by asking us to wait?"

Sinclair forced a smile at Fade. Then, he said to Farrell, "Young Master Hu, I'm acquainted with Mr. Chen. Please do me a favor. Let's sit down and talk about this instead."

"Do you a favor?" Upon hearing this, Farrell's face fell. He glared at him and sneered, "Sinclair, you really think of yourself as an important person, don't you? Who do you think you are to interfere?"

Sinclair didn't expect Farrell to be so determined. He didn't give him any room for negotiation and even scolded him. He could not help but say in a deep voice, "Young Master Hu, Mr. Chen here is my sister's instructor. His strength is extraordinary. You have to think it over."

"I know what kind of person he is," Farrell scolded angrily. "Isn't he some sort of martial artist? Who the hell does he think he is in front of our Hu family?"

"Sinclair, know your place and stay out of this matter. Otherwise, I'll beat you up too!" Farrell shouted.

Sinclair did not expect such a reaction. His face darkened and he was about to say something else.

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However, at this time, Fade came over and said to him, "I understand the Tan family's intention, but you can just leave the rest to me."

After that, he stepped forward and looked at Farrell. "You are very confident to be looking down on us martial artists, aren't you?"

Farrell sneered, "Only the Zhao family can be considered as martial artists. Who do you think you are? You are just a thug who has nothing but your strength. Stop taking those praises seriously."

"Let me tell you. In front of a real powerful person, a person like you is not worth mentioning. Our Hu Family can easily gather up a group of people like you by just raising a finger," he said with a proud voice and looked at Fade with disdain.

Fade's eyes narrowed slightly, and he said in a gloomy tone, "Really? Then, I'll show you how powerful a martial artist can be."

Hearing this, Farrell waved his hand and said to the bodyguards beside him, "Beat him up hard. If you don't win, you will no longer survive in the martial arts world, do you understand?"

The bodyguards trembled all over. Knowing that Farrell was not joking, they looked serious and tried their best to attack Fade.

When Farrell saw this, he crossed his arms and stood by the side with an arrogant look on his face.

But soon, he couldn't laugh anymore.

That was because the bodyguards he brought were like weak children when faced with Fade. They had no chance to resist his attacks at all.

With a series of cracking sounds, Farrell's bodyguards were all knocked to the ground. They were all crying in pain and had lost their ability to fight.

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At this moment, Fade stood in the same spot with a calm face. He was not injured at all, and he seemed relaxed.

He looked at Farrell and said, "Do you have more fighters? Ask them out now!"

Farrell didn't expect such a result at all. His face was stiff and unnatural. "How, how could you defeat so many of my bodyguards?"

Sinclair and his gang were also shocked.

Although they had heard from Sinclair that Fade was powerful and that he was the instructor of the Five Elements Squad, as well as number one on the Dragon List, they had no idea about his real strength.

Thus, when they saw him putting down more than 20 bodyguards of the Hu family, who were all of the late stage of the Black Level so easily, they realized just how powerful he really was.

For a moment there, they couldn't help but gasp, and their faces showed horror and fear.

Even the rich young man who spoke for Easton's behalf was extremely shocked. He thought that he was lucky for not offending Fade in person. Otherwise, he would have gotten himself in trouble.

At this moment, Farrell looked at Fade who was approaching him. His face showed fear and his voice trembled. "You, don't you come over!"

Fade stepped forward. "Why not? You wanted to teach me a lesson, didn't you? Why, are you afraid now?"

Farrell panicked and said, "I'll tell you, our Hu family are in-laws with the Zhao family. Do you know Ingram? That's my cousin. If you dare to touch me, he and the Zhao family will not let you go!"

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Hearing this, Fade frowned, shook his head and said, "Can you talk less about this nonsense? It's making me sick."

After that, he picked Farrell up with ease, and with two clicks, he broke both of his legs before throwing him out from the bar.

Then, Fade and his gang left the bar with everyone staring at them in shock.

The next day, Hollace called Fade, "Mr. Chen, are you free tomorrow?"

"What's the matter?" He asked.

Hollace said, "Mr. Chen, although the Martial Arts Convention is over, the relevant ceremonies are not over yet. There will be an awards ceremony and a forum held tomorrow. You will be our key guest as the champion of the Earth Level Tournament."

"A forum and an award ceremony?" He wasn't interested.

Hollace hurriedly explained, "Mr. Chen, it's like this. Although our Martial Arts League is an organization formed by martial artists, it's still under the government's supervision. Therefore, to some extent, we are also an official organization."

"Therefore, a forum after the tournaments will be unavoidable. Although it may be a bit boring, many of the leaders and family members of the relevant departments will be attending."

"Their presence can be counted as an official acknowledgment of our identity as martial artists and also to promote martial arts. It's still greatly beneficial to our kind. Therefore, Master Zhu hopes that you can attend it," Hollace explained.

"Since Master Zhu has already said so, I will attend it then," Fade said.

"Alright, I'll help you with the formalities then," Hollace said before hanging up the phone.

At noon the next day, after having lunch, he personally came to pick Fade up for the forum.

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After he got in the car, they arrived at a building that was not very tall after an hour's journey.

Although the building was not fancy on the exterior, it was still exquisitely decorated in its interior. Although it was not luxurious, it was still tidy and elegant.

The velvet seats were arranged in rows, and a row of red tables was placed on the stage. On the top, there was a banner with the words "The Martial Arts League National Forum" written on it. Looking at it overall, it was quite similar to the style of the conference held by the nation's leaders.

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Fade was wearing a black suit and a pair of leather shoes. He felt a little strange as he walked in.

Hollace led him in and he started greeting and engaging in small talks with the guests who were already there.

Although it was just socializing, Fade felt that it was even more exhausting than participating in a fight.

This was because the guests whom Hollace wanted him to meet were not martial artists at all. Instead, they were of the management levels.

They were either the director of the Martial Arts Association, the director of the Sports Bureau or the members of the committees.

Their hair were all slicked back with hair gel and they all had beer bellies. They didn't seem like martial artists at all. They greeted him in a bureaucratic manner.

A member of the committee shook hands with Fade with a huge smile plastered on his face, praising that he was skillful.

The director encouraged him to be less arrogant, and that he should continue to work hard to strive for better results.

Furthermore, the other director patted Fade on the shoulder, encouraging him to work hard, to strive to participate in the international competitions, and to make the country proud.

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In short, the conversations were pointless and those officials were just acting bureaucratic towards Fade. He was almost on the verge of breaking down.

Fortunately, Romeo and a few other acquaintances from his world had finally arrived at the scene. They started chatting with him, which made him feel more comfortable.

After chatting around, he noticed that Romeo didn't attend this forum as a member of the Five Elements Squad, but rather as a representative of some kind of management committee for the martial artists.

In short, this event was for all sorts of organizations and the nation's leaders to participate in.

Fade, the champion of the match, was just a mere guest.

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At 2:30 p.m., the forum officially began.

First of all, the host gave a speech. He was a man with a big belly. With a script in hand, he read through it for more than 30 minutes on stage.

Fade clapped his hand when the host was finally done speaking, but soon, he realized that the torture was yet to end.

More representatives and members of committees presented their speeches on stage.

The speeches were at least 15 minutes long each. Half an hour was the most common duration, and someone even presented for more than an hour.

Fade was sitting and staring at these so-called leaders who had no martial arts cultivation at all. They were talking about the

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difficulties and opportunities they faced while promoting Chinese martial arts. They said they wanted to pour in more effort in developing martial arts and even suggested integrating it with the modern age civilization concept. He grew stiff in his seat as he heard those words, and he forced a smile while applauding at each speech.

After a few hours of suffering, it was already 5:30 p.m. and finally, the forum was about to end.

Fade, as the representative of the martial artists, was finally called to the stage. He received an honor certificate and a bouquet of flowers from the leaders. Then, he nodded and accepted the words of encouragement of the leaders. He promised to continue to work hard in the future, to practice hard, and to make the country proud.

It wasn't until the group photo session which took place later that he finally got back his freedom.

However, it was not over yet. After the forum, they proceeded for dinner in the canteen, and there would also be a cocktail reception later at night.

Fade felt that he had had enough. He didn't want to go to the party at night, but Hollace told him that the party at night was the perfect opportunity for him to communicate with other martial artists, as the officials would be retiring for the night after the forum ended.

Therefore, he continued to stay on. He got on a bus and attended the party at another hotel.

After the same official routine speech, the party finally began. Although it was still a little awkward, it was much more relaxed when compared with the forum earlier.

Overall, there were fewer officials and more martial artists present that night.

In that environment, Fade looked a bit more relaxed. Romeo and Hollace also brought him with them to socialize with different

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martial artists.

Hollace intended to introduce some martial artists with official backgrounds to Fade. It was to at least establish an official impression and identity for him, preventing him from falling into the category of an unknown martial artist.

On the other hand, Romeo introduced some martial artists from big families to him. Among them, there were many hidden families that were similar to the Hsing family in Capital City.

Harmon was there that night, and he started singing praises about Fade again, hinting that he wanted to recruit him, but Fade rejected his offer.

Halfway through the party, the remaining officials finally left the venue too.

The remaining night was left to the young martial artists, and they were mostly from official backgrounds and of reputable skills.

The gathering was basically for them to exchange their skills, propose ideas on promoting martial arts, and also to plan the prospect of martial arts. It was a lively atmosphere.

As the champion, Fade was naturally the center of attention that night. Some martial artists came over to greet him and be acquainted with him that night.

He greeted them one by one and politely declined some of their recruitments. Then, he sat down on one side to take a break.

However, at that moment, a series of footsteps approached him.

Fade looked up and saw a man in his mid-20's walking towards him with a wine glass in hand. Behind the man was a group of young martial artists. It was obvious that this man was someone not of the ordinary.

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"Mr. Chen, I've heard so much about you!" The man walked over with a smile and raised his glass to greet him.

Fade also raised his glass and said, "Hello!"

At this moment, Romeo came to Fade's side and whispered in his ear, "This is Ingram, a member of the Zhao family in Capital City. He has reached the late stage of the Earth Level. He is comparable to Faxon."

"Zhao family?" Hearing this, Fade was slightly surprised and asked, "Is it the same Zhao family that is related to Farrell? I heard that they work as bodyguards for the government?"

Romeo nodded and said, "It's indeed them, the imperial guards. They are considered to be the family with the highest status among us martial artists. The entire Zhao family's martial arts cultivation is of high skills and they hold some important roles."

Fade nodded and looked at Ingram, his heart filled with doubt.

Logically speaking, he was not acquainted with Ingram, and he had beaten Farrell up previously. Yet, Ingram was all smiles standing in front of him.

Regardless, Fade still nodded with a smile and said, "Hello, Mr. Zhao, I've heard a lot about you too."

Ingram smiled and said, "Mr. Chen, I heard you've defeated Faxon this time and won the championship. It's a shocking achievement!"

"I was just lucky," Fade said politely.

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Looking at Fade, Ingram smiled and said, "Mr. Chen, you are being modest. We've seen your performance. I'm afraid that even I won't be a match to you."

After he finished speaking, he turned to look behind him. The group of people who had been following behind him immediately nodded in agreement.

"Indeed, Mr. Chen defeated Faxon so easily. His strength is truly surprising."

"Mr. Chen, your strength must have reached the late stage of the Earth Level at the very least. It shouldn't be too long before you reach the peak stage of the Earth Level."

"It's a pity to not have known an expert like Mr. Chen earlier!"

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Fade didn't feel proud at all at their flattery. On the contrary, he frowned and his expression became serious.

After all, he had no connection with this group of people. There must be a reason why they were flattering him.

After thinking for a while, he really couldn't think of a reason. He stopped guessing and asked directly, "Mr. Zhao, you are flattering me so much. I can't help but wonder what your true motive is."

Ingram was startled at how straightforward Fade was. However, he immediately smiled and said, "There are really some things

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that I want to talk to you about."

"Please go ahead then, Mr. Zhao!" Fade said.

Ingram narrowed his eyes slightly and stared at him for a while. Then, he said, "You've won the championship in this Martial Arts Convention. Naturally, you would also earn the right of access to the Dragon Mausoleum, right?"

Fade narrowed his eyes at the mention of the Dragon Mausoleum. He paused for a moment and said, "That's true. What can I do for you then, Mr. Zhao?"

"I just want to talk to you about a business opportunity," Ingram said with a smile.

"Business? What business?" He asked.

Ingram replied, "I'm sure you are also aware of the legend surrounding the Dragon Mausoleum. It is said that there are secret guides for martial artists to improve greatly within a short period of time. Not to mention, there are also all sorts of weapons and medicines for our cultivation purposes."

"The business opportunity is simple. I will pay you a 100 million yuan as a deposit to reserve the treasures that you would be getting in the Dragon Mausoleum."

"Deposit and reserve?" Fade felt that something was wrong.

Ingram continued, "Mr. Chen, if you don't understand, I'll tell you in detail. Our Zhao family is willing to buy anything you find in the Dragon Mausoleum. Mr. Chen, you don't have to worry about the price. We, the Zhao family will definitely pay you handsomely as long as you manage to bring those items out."

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He did not wait for Fade's reply. He waved his hand and said to his subordinates, "Give the deposit to Mr. Chen!"

Immediately, one of his men took a special VIP black card and handed it to Fade, "Mr. Chen, here is a deposit of 100 million yuan. Please accept it."

Fade looked at the bank card but did not reach out to take it. Instead, he frowned at Ingram and said, "Mr. Zhao, what do you mean by this?"

A few of his subordinates started explaining after hearing his words.

"What Young Master Zhao meant is he will buy the items you bring out of the Dragon Mausoleum. With money."

"It's a business deal. If you bring the items, he will pay you with money. Do you understand it now?"

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Fade narrowed his eyes and said, "What if I don't want to sell them?"

Upon hearing this, Ingram's eyes darkened. Instead of answering his question, he said in a louder tone, "Our Zhao family will offer you a high price. There's no way you won't want to sell anything."

"Is that so?" Fade felt that something was wrong and he continued, "What if I really don't want to sell it?"

Hearing this, Ingram's eyes darkened as he glared at him. He was silent for a moment.

The subordinates standing behind him were looking tough too.

"Mr. Chen, the deal will only benefit you. Thus, you'd better agree with it."

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"That's right. Other people who are qualified to enter the Dragon Mausoleum have already agreed to accept the deal with Young Master Zhao. You should reconsider it."

"I'm sure Young Master Zhao won't disappoint you."

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Ingram joined in and said, "If you are not satisfied with the price, I can raise the deposit to 200 million yuan."

Upon hearing this, Fade completely understood his intention. In his eyes, Fade was nothing but someone who could be bought by money and could deliver him the valuable items from the Dragon Mausoleum.

Fade would never agree to this. He sneered at Ingram, and said, "Thanks for your interest! However, I don't lack money, thus it seems like a waste of time for you to approach me."

After that, he turned around and was about to leave.

Ingram's face fell and he roared in a low voice, "Mr. Chen, this is a condition made by me, Ingram, and you are offered to make a deal with our Zhao family. Are you sure you want to refuse?"

Fade sneered and said, "The Zhao family? So what? Can you force me into a deal just because you are from the Zhao family?"

Ingram's eyes narrowed as he looked at him and said coldly, "Fade, I know you are a capable man. You have several companies under your name and you have plenty of funds in your hands. However, do you think your assets are even worth mentioning in front of our Zhao family?"

"I'll give you one last chance to agree with my proposal. Accept the deposit, and I will ignore everything you've just said," Ingram

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said to him in a condescending tone.

Fade shook his head and said with a smile, "If you turn around and leave now, I can pretend that I didn't hear what you've just said too."

"You..." Ingram's eyes darkened as he glared at him coldly.

Behind Ingram, his subordinates were all acting tough.

"Hey, do you even know your place? You are talking to Young Master Zhao here."

"If you offend the Zhao family, you are looking for death. You can never step foot in the martial arts world in this country ever again."

"Kid, don't act on impulse. It'll be too late to regret it in future."

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Fade ignored their words and turned around to leave.

Ingram snorted and said coldly, "I can still offer you the amount I mentioned, but if you take another step out from here, I will demand more than just the items from the Dragon Mausoleum!"

Fade was not afraid of his threats at all. He looked at him and said coldly, "Really? Why don't you give it a try when the time comes?"

After that, he turned around and left.

"You..." Ingram's eyes were dark and his expression was cold.

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The subordinates behind him were about to rush towards Fade.

"Stay where you are, you bold b*stard."

"Are you thinking of leaving after offending Young Master Zhao? You'd better stay here!"

"B*stard, take this!"

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Amidst the chaotic shouting, someone rushed over and wanted to hit Fade.

However, before he could do anything, Romeo blocked the attack in a flash and said coldly, "Mr. Chen is my instructor, and he's also my friend. If you want to fight him, you must go through me first!"

After saying that, he did not hold back at all. His aura burst out and he knocked over his opponents in an instant.

Romeo was a martial artist trained in the Five Elements Squad. His strength was at the late stage of the Earth Level. He was even comparable to Faxon and Ingram.

Ingram's subordinates were only average in martial arts as they were brought up under families who prioritized their career paths as government officials. Therefore, under his imposing aura, their faces darkened and their bodies trembled. They could no longer stop themselves from trembling.

All of them darted around as they looked at Ingram. It was clear that if Romeo was to make a move, Ingram would be the only one among them capable enough to take him on.

Ingram looked at him and said in a low voice, "Romeo, do you know what you are doing? You are making an enemy out of the Zhao family!"

Romeo did not give in. He coldly said, "I know what I'm doing, but do you know what you are doing? I've already said that Mr.

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Chen is my instructor, and also my friend. If you are to attack him, you would be declaring war against the Hsing family."

"You..." Ingram's eyes narrowed as rage filled his eyes.

However, right at that crucial moment, he thought of the hidden family behind the Hsing family and eventually restrained himself. He said to his guys, "Let's step down for now!"

Then, he turned around and left with his subordinates.

Romeo also withdrew his positive energy and returned to Fade's side.

Seeing this, Fade nodded to him and said, "Sorry to trouble you."

"Instructor Chen, we are friends, so you don't have to be so formal with me," he said with a smile. "Besides, Ingram is too arrogant to just rely on his status as a member of the Zhao family. He's acting as if we are his subordinates."

Fade smiled and didn't say anything.

He didn't care much about Ingram. He didn't even care about the entire Zhao family. If they really wanted to start a fight, he could use it as a platform to demonstrate his real strength. If he failed, he could just mention the name of that old fogey, and everything would be fine.

After staying for a while, he felt bored and was about to leave the venue.

Just then, the lights in the venue dimmed down, and music rang out. Everyone's attention was focused on the center of the stage.

Fade, who was about to leave, could not help but be curious. He asked Romeo, "What is going on?"

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Romeo said, "It's an artistic performance. Instructor Chen, why don't you leave after the performance?"

"An artistic performance?" Fade was startled, then he waved his hand and said, "I'm not interested in this singing or recital performances. I think I'll just leave."

Romeo stopped him and said with a smile, "Instructor Chen, those performances you mentioned are generally catered to the officials' preferences. On such a night where youngsters are gathered, it wouldn't be those typical performances."

"What kind of performance is it then?" Fade asked.

Romeo said, "I don't know the details. Anyway, I heard them say that they have invited popular singers and dancers this time. They are at least well known to the general public. I believe it won't be boring."

"Why don't I..." Fade was still hesitating.

Romeo simply pulled him towards the stage.

The performance had begun. The first singer on the stage surprised Fade. It turned out to be a singer who often appeared on TV.

The singer's performance was indeed excellent, and it won a round of applause from the crowd.

Then, the performances started one after another, and they were all familiar faces to Fade, who didn't even bother much about celebrities. Moreover, among the performances, a couple of them were even considered as the top artists of this era.

From this, it could be seen that this party was not an ordinary party.

The atmosphere was lively and the performances got better with time.

Next, another performer came on stage. She was a young dancer in her early twenties. It was said that she had won some

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international dance competitions.

She was not as famous as the top artists mentioned earlier, but as soon as her performance started, the atmosphere was particularly enthusiastic.

This was because her outfit was rather revealing, and the fabric only covered the private parts whereas other parts of her body was exposed to the crowd.

The perfect figure of her silhouette, accompanied by the beautifully choreographed dance, the audience became restless, and the atmosphere became more and more enthusiastic.

The rich young masters from well known families, who were still chatting in their suits and holding wine glasses in their hands, were all staring at the stage at that moment. Under the alcohol's influence, they started shouting and clapping, while some even started taking off their coats.

"Take one more layer off!"

"That move just now, spread your legs wider!"

"Yes, keep your legs open a little more."

In such an atmosphere, the dancer on the stage was done with her performance, and the next performance was from a singer. Similar to the dancer from earlier, the singer was a beautiful young lady too, and she was also wearing a rather revealing outfit, exposing her fair skin to the hungry crowd.

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Some people even went straight to the stage regardless of their images, and began to sing with the singer closely in their arms.

Such a scene was beyond Fade's expectations. A scene that was normally found in some cheap bars and dance floors, was happening right in front of his eyes in a party held in the hotel.

"Is this even appropriate?" Fade frowned and asked.

Romeo sighed and said, "No matter how high their status is, they are all men, and they are no different from those thugs on the street when they are exposed to such things."

Fade shook his head speechlessly. Without saying anything, he turned around and prepared to leave.

However, right at that moment, the singer who was singing on the stage was held tightly in a rich man's arms, and they were laughing and cuddling as they walked towards a room on one side.

And so, the crowd was waiting for the next singer to enter the stage.

However, after waiting for a while, there was no movement on the stage, which earned some shushes from the crowd.

"What's going on? Why hasn't the next one come on stage yet?"

"What's going on? We were just starting to get excited!"

"I'm still waiting for another beauty so that I can have fun like Mr. Wang just now!"

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In the midst of that, Ingram frowned and said, "Go find out what's going on."

"Yes!" One of his subordinates immediately went backstage.

Soon, the subordinate returned to Ingram's side and said, "Young Master Zhao, I've found out what's going on."

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"Tell me, what's going on?" Ingram asked.

The subordinate immediately said, "The next singer is making a fuss backstage. She doesn't want to perform in revealing outfits, and that's what's holding back the performance."

He frowned. He slammed his palm on the table and bellowed, "Who does she think she is? Other singers were performing just fine, yet she decided to make a scene all of a sudden?"

"Does she even know her place? Who does she think she is to be acting against us? She doesn't get to pick a thing! Find someone and make her go on stage. I want to see her performance right away!"

The subordinate hurriedly nodded and said, "Yes, Young Master Zhao. I'll get Susie Song on stage right away."

At the mention of this name, Fade who was about to leave the venue, immediately froze in place. His gaze was cold as he stared into the distance.

"Susie Song?" Fade frowned. Yuri did mention at their dinner the night before that Susie was preparing for an important performance and had to skip the dinner.

Could it be that her rehearsal that night was for this? His heart skipped a beat at this thought.

Thinking back to the revealing outfits and performances by the artists earlier, as well as the perverts among the crowd, his face

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fell and he strode towards the backstage area.

"Instructor Chen, where are you going?" Romeo was startled, then he quickly followed after him.

At the backstage area, he saw a number of celebrities preparing to go on stage, and there were a few familiar faces whom he had often seen on TV.

The beautiful female singers were all wearing revealing outfits while doing their final rehearsals. The scene was strange to even look at.

Fade couldn't help but to picture Susie being forced into outfits like these, and his steps quickened at his thoughts.

He arrived at the entrance of the wardrobe, and before he could make his entrance, he could already hear sounds of quarrel coming from the inside.

"This is not a place for you to make a fuss at, especially when we have guests of this scale outside! Get changed and get on stage now!" A man yelled.

Then, there was a woman's voice saying, "I'm fine with performing, but not in such outfits. You didn't mention this at all when we were rehearsing earlier!"

"Artists, who are way more well known than you, have already performed looking like that. What's wrong with you revealing a little bit more?" The man asked.

"I don't care about them, but I will never wear it. If you dare force me, I'll leave immediately," she said.

"If you dare to refuse, I can guarantee that your career as a celebrity will be over!" The man shouted.

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"Then, I'll just stop being one," she said.

"You, stop right there! You have to perform whether you like it or not. This is no longer a negotiation but an order!" He yelled.

"I don't... " She wanted to say something.

"Stop pushing our limits! Someone come over and force her to change right now!" He yelled.

"Let go of me..."

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Fade couldn't hold back any longer when he heard the conversation. He kicked the door open and rushed into the room.

Several men were holding the woman down, ripping off her clothes, while she continued to struggle even though she was clearly not strong enough to fight them off.

She was none other than Susie.

"Get lost!" Fade let out a furious roar and rushed over.

"Who are you? What..."

He slammed them down without waiting for them to finish their sentence. He then pulled Susie towards him as he took off his coat and draped it around her. He comforted her by putting his arm around her shoulders and said, "Sister Song, I'm here now. You'll be fine now."

Susie was so frightened that her face was covered in tears. She was surprised to see him. "Why, why are you here? Fade, I..."

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He said in a deep voice, "Don't worry, Sister Song. As long as I'm here, no one will dare to do anything to you."

A subordinate rushed into the room at that moment. He pointed a finger at Fade after watching the scene and asked, "Who are you? What are you doing? Hurry up..."

"Get out!" Fade kicked him away.

"How dare you... I'm a subordinate of Young Master Huang!" The other party introduced himself, but before he could say anything more, he was kicked by Fade and he fainted.

Then, Fade left with Susie in his arms.

However, they didn't manage to go far as a group of people was walking towards their direction, and the leader of the pack was Ingram.

Seeing the scene in front of him, Ingram's eyes darkened and he said coldly, "It's you again."

Ingram's gang also shouted.

"Hey, what are you doing here? Are you ruining our mood again?"

"What do you have against us?"

"D*mn it, I was just getting excited and you just had to ruin things for me!"

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Fade looked at the group of people coldly and said in a low voice, "Sister Song is my friend. She said that she doesn't want to perform, thus I'm taking her away now."

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"She doesn't want to perform? She had signed a contract! She can't just leave the scene!"

"She's nothing but a mere performer. Stop acting high and mighty. It's your honor to be able to perform for us. How dare you be so picky?"

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In the midst of the shouting, Ingram looked over at Fade with his dark gaze and said, "I don't care who she is to you, but she has to continue with the performance, or else she will be insulting me and I will never allow this."

"Then, just treat it as an insult," Fade hooked his arm around Susie's waist and strode forward.

Ingram shouted coldly, "Stop him!"

In an instant, all the young martial artists and bodyguards, who were behind Ingram, immediately stood in front of Fade, blocking his path.

He looked around and said in a cold voice, "Whoever stands in my way must die!"

"You arrogant piece of sh*t! I am from the Liu family and I'm going to stop you today. I'll see if you dare..." A rich young man stepped out and stood in front of him arrogantly.

Fade did not hold back either. Without waiting for him to finish his sentence, he kicked him squarely in the chest.

With a loud thump, the man was sent flying away. His body flew more than ten meters in the air before crashing into the wall, where he slid to the ground. There was a dent in his chest, and if he wasn't dead by the attack, he was most likely greatly injured.

With such an attack, everyone was deeply shocked.

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"You actually hit him!"

"That's Young Master Liu. How dare you..."

"Do you know that you've brought huge trouble upon yourself?"

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Fade's eyes swept around as he shouted, "Who else wants to stop me?"

They kept quiet out of fear and took a few steps back. They dared not look him in the eye.

Fade snorted coldly. He held Susie in his arms, and continued moving forward.

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