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Someone instantly stepped forward to stand on Isaac's side, speaking up for him.

Others got on their feet as well, and expressed their support in retaining him as the company CEO. Isaac was obviously a capable man, after all. These people might not have many shares, but they had certainly reaped a lot of benefits under Isaac's management. If they put another man in his position, there was no guarantee that the company would maintain its impressive standing in the industry.

They were already skeptical about removing Isaac as it was, and Travis' recent debacle only made them more wary of him and Gunter.

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"Are you even listening to yourself?" one of the shareholders burst out. "Are you saying that age is the basis of one's skill? Skills are acquired and developed through hard work. I'm afraid that Gunter doesn't even know the current state of the market, given how idle he has been all these years."

The man who had just spoken on behalf of Gunter was effectively rendered speechless.

Although the Johnston family came from old money and had a long-established business, it was Isaac who had brought them to the pinnacle of success. He might be young, but there was no denying his achievements.

A tense silence fell over the conference room.

"I still think it depends on the qualifications—"


"What qualifications, exactly? Aside from Gunter's age, what else does he hold over Isaac that makes him worthy of becoming the CEO?"

One of Robin's men had tried to speak up again, but the other side was quick with their rebuttal.

Unlike his grandfather, Isaac had made no contact with these people prior to the meeting, even though he was already aware of Robin's scheme.

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He had a contingency plan of his own, and he didn't really care about keeping his position in the company at all.

He was only disappointed at his grandfather. Who knew that the old man would resort to such vile tricks? No, the truth was that the entire Johnston family was made up of ruthless animals who knew no mercy, Isaac himself included.

"I'll be taking my leave now. Do inform me when the board has reached a decision." Isaac stood up and buttoned his suit jacket. He didn't want to hear any more of this pretentious drivel.

"We are in the middle of a meeting," Robin snapped. "How dare you leave as you like?"

He had a nagging suspicion that Isaac had also bribed his own group of shareholders to go against him.

And if his grandson left now, it would only serve as a blatant show of disrespect toward him.

Isaac shot his grandfather a bland look and spoke in a cold voice. "I don't care whether you remove me as the CEO or you dismiss me altogether."

He didn't care about Paramount Corporation at all. The truth was that, in the last three years, he had been gradually moving the company's business transactions abroad.

Isaac knew more than anyone that Paramount Corporation had only grown to be the behemoth it now was because he was at the helm. Once he was gone, the company would dissolve into nothing.

"If you want the position so much, I'll just hand it back to you." Isaac's expression was blank, and his tone was neither curt nor resentful. His indifference took Robin aback.

But the old man recovered shortly after, and the cogs in his brain began to turn.

Was Isaac doing this on purpose?

He already had the backing of some directors in the company.

Robin was convinced that Isaac, too, had devised something behind the scenes.

There was no way his grandson would forsake his position and give up the company just like that.

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"Mr. Robin Johnston," another director piped up. "I think we can all agree that the company's stock value has fallen because of Travis' misdeeds, which the media has conveniently blown up. Don't you think we should hold him accountable for this? And since he is detained, wouldn't you agree that Gunter should give us an explanation on behalf of his son?"

A lot of them had started to panic when they heard Isaac's intention to leave the company.

They weren't all idiots. Even those who were motivated by selfish interests knew Isaac's value to the business.

If he left, the Paramount Corporation was bound to plunge into decline.

They had to try their best to keep him as their CEO.

Meanwhile, Robin scowled at the man's words.

Gunter, who could no longer stay calm, chose that moment to butt in. "Sure, Travis might have caused an issue, but as the CEO, shouldn't Isaac have taken measures to minimize the loss incurred by the company? I heard that he wasn't bothered by it, and simply relegated the task to the Public Relations Department. If he had overseen the matter properly, perhaps the stocks wouldn't have fallen!"

Another pregnant silence followed after his outburst.

It was true that Isaac hadn't done anything to prevent the shares from crashing.

Gunter had a point.

Even so, Isaac merely turned on his heel and headed toward the door, as if he didn't have a care in the world.


Gunter slammed his fist on the table and shot to his feet. "Stop right there, Isaac! What the hell is wrong with you? Your grandfather is still here, how can you be so impertinent? Even if he wasn't, I am still your uncle! How dare you disrespect us like this!?"

Isaac didn't break his stride, not even glance back.

Exasperated, Gunter turned to Robin. "Dad, look! You've spoiled that brat

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too much! He doesn't even have manners!"

But Robin was well aware of Isaac's temperament.

He ignored Gunter and dove deep into his thoughts.

Did Isaac really not care about the CEO position?

Or was it that he had a backup plan?

"Dad..." Gunter whined.

"Shut up!" Robin glared at his son, annoyed that the younger man couldn't keep his composure. Even Isaac hadn't been this rattled.

"Since we couldn't seem to agree on a single conclusion, this meeting is adjourned." The meeting was going nowhere, anyway, so he might as well dismiss it for now.

"Mr. Robin Johnston, there must be a reasonable explanation behind this matter. Mr. Isaac Johnston has always been meticulous in handling the company's affairs, everyone knows that. Besides, people make mistakes, that's what makes us human. I don't think the situation is so bad that we have to change the CEO."

Some of them were still trying to persuade Robin to retain Isaac.

The old man just nodded along, though he already had plans of his own in mind.

He would have to start with Isaac.

"I will take this into serious consideration," Robin assured them.

Hearing this, Gunter was understandably flustered. He was worried that Robin would withdraw his support and turn to Isaac again. If that happened, then all his efforts would be in vain. "Dad..."

"I know what I'm doing!" Robin cut him off.

Gunter had to learn when to shut his mouth.

But he couldn't help it, he was too damn anxious!


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Camila stayed at Isaac's villa and looked after Joe diligently.

Sometimes, when the baby fell asleep, she would keep him in her arms.

Isaac had already arranged for a doctor to give their son a thorough examination.

He was only temporary, though.

The specialist that Forrest had found had yet to arrive.

At that moment, Joe had just finished his bottle of milk and was babbling in earnest. "My baby," Camila crooned. "Do you think you can say 'Mommy'? Hmm? Mommy."

"Woo, woo, woo..."

Camila kissed his cheek. "You have to grow strong and healthy, Sweetheart."

Just then, her phone vibrated on the table.

She glanced at the screen and saw that Rowena was calling. "Mila," her mother said as soon as she answered. "Something happened to Aldrin."

"What? What is it?"

"I don't know. I just received a call from the hospital, saying that he is in emergency treatment..."

Camila could already guess what was going on. "Mom, you should go and check on him."

"What about you?" Rowena asked.



"I can't go at the moment." Camila gathered Joe close. On the one hand, she couldn't possibly leave her son alone. On the other, she needed to confirm whether Aldrin's matter had anything to do with Isaac or not.

"All right," Rowena agreed. "Take good care of Joe. I'll call you as soon as I can."

"Okay."

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Camila hung up and just sat blankly on the sofa for a few seconds. Then she stood and walked to the door with Joe still in her arms. "I want to go out," she told the men standing guard at the door. "Prepare a car for me."

"Where are you going?" the head bodyguard asked.

"I'm going to see Isaac," Camila answered, deliberately addressing Isaac by his given name.

Sure enough, the bodyguard immediately complied. "Understood."

The two bodyguards then drove Camila to the company. One was behind the wheel, while the other kept an eye on the surroundings and made sure that they were safe.

Camila was in the backseat with a restless Joe on her lap. The baby kept squirming, and even grabbed at her hair once in a while.



They arrived at the Paramount Corporation shortly after.

Before she could even get off the car, one of the guards was already opening the door for her.

Camila carried Joe to the elevator and pressed the button for the top floor. She already knew where Isaac's office was, so she headed over directly. She pushed through the door, only to be greeted by the sight of a woman leaning over Isaac's desk in a decidedly enticing manner.

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