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Sera hired a professional translator for the contract signing and a lot of the procedures, which made work easier for her. Presently, Harmony was in the car. Noticing her dour mood, Sera asked, "What's wrong? Are you tired?"

"No," Harmony mumbled. "I haven't seen him for a week."

"He's probably busy," Sera mentioned. "I know he hasn't shown up, but he's arranged for your script and character. The best thing you can do for him is to portray the character well."

"Will we meet again?" Harmony felt sad. Ezekiel felt so far away from her all of a sudden.

Back in the manor, Ezekiel walked with his mother. He came back this time because his family told him to join in an election.

"Ezekiel, I saw you walking the red carpet with a lady a while ago. Did you find a girlfriend?" Sophia looked at her son curiously.

Ezekiel shook his head. "I was just helping her, Mom. We're not dating."

"Is that so? Do you like her, then?" Sophia asked.

Ezekiel mused over it and answered honestly. "I do like her."

I see. Sophia knew her son was an opinionated person since he was a child. He could do anything well, even without supervision. She had observed the ladies around Ezekiel and told him to stay away from those who only wanted him for riches and prestige. She wanted her son's wife to marry him because of love, not money. "You call the shots for your relationship. Our family will be holding the election this time, so you might not be able to leave the house for a while."

“I know, Mom. I’ll deal with this matter before I leave.” Ezekiel nodded. He went back to the study and picked his phone up. Even though he hadn’t been contacting Harmony, the set would send him emails every day, reporting their progress. Ezekiel scrolled until he found Harmony’s number, and he texted, ‘Is work exhausting? Are they pressuring you?’

Meanwhile, Harmony was hanging from a wire, doing a mid-air stunt herself. She had been trained in dancing for ten years and had great moves. She finished her stunts in one fell swoop. Even the director was impressed, and he gave her a thumbs up.

It had been ten days since Harmony joined the set. Since her scenes were tight, they were taken consecutively. Ever since she went into the set, she almost never came out. All the events back home were postponed or canceled. What Harmony needed to do now was not expand her popularity but accumulate enough work to stand firm in the industry.

Shooting was hard, and she did feel a lot of pressure, but she held on. She went into the bathroom at night and checked the mark left by the wire on her back. It was so painful that she couldn’t touch any water, but she gritted her teeth and held on.

Harmony could have a half-hour break after the scene. She took the phone from Sera and plopped down on the couch. Out of habit, she checked her messages, and what she saw made her eyes go wide. She stared at her phone in disbelief. “Sera, he texted me.” She was excited.

Equally excited, Sera sat with her. “What did he say?”

“Just saying hi.” Harmony smiled sweetly.

Sera patted her. “Chat with him. I’ll get you something to eat.”

Harmony looked at the message. She wasn’t someone who would complain since that would only worry everyone. She texted, ‘I’m fine. It’s not exhausting. Where are you now?’ Harmony waited for his reply quietly, but then her phone started to ring. She checked it out and immediately felt like she was holding a hot potato. He’s calling! Surprised, she heaved a sigh and took the call. “Hi, Mr. Weiss.”

"I went away in a hurry last time and didn't tell you. I'm back at my family's place, dealing with some business. I can't see you for now."

"Don't worry about it. You do what you have to. We can meet when you have time." Harmony would not complain now.

"Is work hard on you?"

"It's alright. Everyone's patient with me, and we get along well," said Harmony. She knew that she only was treated well not because of her abilities but because she had ties with Ezekiel. One of the crew members waved at her, and her heart squeezed up. Time for another scene. Reluctantly, she said, "I have to go now, Mr. Weiss. Another scene is coming up."

"Talk to you next time," Ezekiel said swiftly.

"Talk later." Harmony was reluctant to go. She didn't hang up, hoping he would talk more, but he hung up, thinking she had ended the call. Harmony bit her lip and smiled bitterly. What was I thinking? He gave me a perfect chance. I should seize it instead of fantasizing about impossible stuff.

After work was done for the day, Harmony went back to the hotel. She held her phone throughout the way, yet she didn't have the courage to disturb Ezekiel.

Sera saw through her, and she huddled closer.

"Harmony, listen to me. He helped us mostly because he has high hopes for you, but that doesn't mean he likes you romantically. Make that clear."

Harmony knew what Sera was trying to say, and she blushed. Fortunately, the car was dark. She said earnestly, "Sera, I know. I wasn't thinking about that."

"You're still young. There are tons of opportunities waiting for you out there. Once you make a name for yourself, you'll have options. Even when it comes to romance, you'll have the power to decide for yourself," said Sera.

Harmony looked outside the window, immersed in her thoughts. She wouldn't consider marriage unless... She smiled bitterly. No way. There's no way that will happen. I'll stay single forever.

Harmony was still popular back in her home country because of the fashion show. The media was happy to keep her popularity alive since they received rumors of a powerful person helping Harmony out. The media was sensitive to stuff like this, so they didn't dare offend Harmony anymore.

Catalina managed to get Reuben a movie back in their home country, but she didn't find any news about Harmony. It was as if Harmony had disappeared into thin air. She didn't attend any events, nor did she show herself. Where did she go?

That was the question Harmony's fans had. Why don't we see her now?

Three months went by in a flash. Harmony would occasionally receive a call from Ezekiel, but they didn't chat too much. He was probably busy. She didn't disturb him.

One day, Sera got news of Harmony's Asian film getting an award back in their home country. The organizers invited Harmony to the award ceremony, and the crew members contacted them, too. Sera happily told the organizers Harmony would be there to receive the award.

Harmony's shoot was ending; the crew would be wrapping up at the end of April, and Harmony could return in early May to kick start her business back in her country.

Harmony was happy about the news, too. That film was her lucky movie. She got her first Best Actress award after filming for a long time, and she was even nominated twice.

May was an important month for the Presgraves as well because their daughter's wedding would be held this month. The chilly winds of spring had come to an end, and the early warmth of summer came. On a beautiful day like this, Willow would don her wedding gown and enter a marriage with the person she loved.

The Weisses, even though they were abroad, received an invitation too. Only Ezekiel and his mother would return for the wedding since Ezekiel's father couldn't leave his post.

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Harmony's shooting was finally done, and she could finally return to her home country. Before she boarded her flight, she couldn't hold back and texted Ezekiel. 'Mr. Weiss, the shoot is over. I'm coming back now. See you back home.'

She then turned on airplane mode. It had been six months since she left home. She gained a lot after the red carpet procession the week before. The media praised her to high heavens, and the Internet was filled with pretty photos of her.

Her social media followers had also hit the five- million mark. Sera kept Harmony's overseas shooting a secret, so naturally, the crew members wouldn't tell anyone about it either. No one knew she had a role in a famous international movie for now. They would find out once the movie was released.

The flight took more than twenty hours. Harmony slept all the way back as she was too exhausted. When they disembarked, she and Sera pushed their luggage out. Sera told her to wear a mask and a pair of sunglasses. They got a cab at the airport and went back to their condominium.

Harmony then remembered that her phone was still in airplane mode, so she turned it off, and she received a few texts. Her heart started to race, and she checked the messages. She saw Ezekiel's text.

'See you back home, Ezekiel texted.

Her eyes went wide. Am I seeing this right? He's coming back too? We're going to meet back home?

Sera was asleep, and Harmony held her phone to her chest, hiding her delight within her heart.

Harmony stayed at Sera's place for the time being since Sera had to talk to her about work. In order to develop Harmony's career, Sera had been trying to get more jobs for her. In the end, Sera chose an interview for Harmony to do.

"Harmony, they asked for this interview. I think you're well-known enough for it. What do you think?"
Sera smiled at her.

Harmony picked up the contract and went through it earnestly.

Sera added, "Almost all award-winning actors have gone to this interview. This is one of the many ways to make you more famous."

"Sure, I'll do it." Harmony nodded. Spending time abroad made her more confident about herself, and she had one thing she must do—to become a better version of herself. Even if not for herself, then for the favor Ezekiel did for her. She must be better.

"I'll talk to the TV guys then." Sera picked up her phone and talked to the person in charge at the TV station. They agreed to meet up in the afternoon and write a draft of the script for the session.

Catalina was made aware of the news soon enough. She had a lot of connections in the industry, and people would tell her about every move Harmony was making. Everyone in the industry knew she and Harmony were at odds.

"What? Someone like her was invited?"

"Yeah, our main editor wanted her. I can't believe she's qualified now."

"Then, I'll make her embarrass herself."

"What are you going to do, Catalina?"

"When she goes onstage, change out the host's script," Catalina said. She was an expert saboteur.

"Not a bad idea, Catalina. It's a live show. Even if the host knows it's the wrong script, they can do nothing about it. I bet Harmony's going to be embarrassed."

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Ruby's eyes lit up at the mention of five hundred thousand. It was a huge temptation for her.

“Tell me your plan directly, Catalina!”

“Switch Harmony’s script and make the host read the script I gave you,” Catalina explained.

Ruby hesitated, understanding that Catalina intended to tamper with Harmony’s interview. “I’ll get fired if I do this,” she said.

“The five hundred thousand is your compensation. If you refuse, I can find someone else, Catalina stated.

As soon as Ruby heard this, she quickly agreed. “I’ll do it, Catalina. I’ll help you.”

Catalina handed her the script and said, “I’ll give you half now. Once the job’s done, I’ll pay the rest. No room for failure; I won’t let you off otherwise.”

After hearing her half-threatening words, Ruby immediately replied, “Don’t worry. I have my way.”

Catalina smiled and couldn’t wait to see Harmony embarrass herself.

At noon, Harmony had lunch with the former crew director. Now, she had already received a script handed to her. It was the leading role, and she had collaborated with him before and trusted his skills. Thus, she agreed to take on his new script.

At the airport, a giant private plane landed, and two people disembarked. Ezekiel had just returned just in time for the Presgrave Family’s wedding in two days. He accompanied his mother out of the airport and returned to his grandparents’ home. In the evening, Ezekiel dressed casually and came downstairs. He saw Martha was watching a movie. Due to their age, they liked watching classic dramas. Ezekiel looked at the TV and noticed Harmony’s figure. He smiled and sat next to his grandmother as they watched the movie together.

Martha pointed at the actress, Harmony, and said, “I like this girl. She acts so well.”

He shifted his gaze to Harmony. Her various displays of dresses were pleasing to the eye. Looking at her, Martha couldn't help but admire. "I also liked wearing these kinds of dresses when I was young. However, she wore better than me."

"Grandma, I can introduce you to her if you want."

"Oh! Do you know her?" she asked in surprise.

He smiled and nodded. "We're friends."

"That's great. I really want to meet her! Of course, you don't have to make it too formal."

"We can just have a meal together someday," Martha said. She couldn't believe she could enjoy the feeling of being a fan at her age.

"Okay. I'll arrange it." Ezekiel was determined to fulfill her request.

Soon, it was Friday. Due to Harmony's busy schedule recently, she felt sleep-deprived. After finishing her lunch, she had some time to sleep as she aimed to be in good condition for the 6.00PM evening program. As she drifted into sleep, she had a dream. In her dream, she saw Ezekiel. She joyfully chased after him in the crowd, but she couldn't catch up to him no matter how fast she was. Although he seemed right in front of her, he didn't seem to hear her calls from behind as he continued to chat with others. It was an exhausting dream, but Harmony was unwilling to wake up. She was determined to greet him somehow.

"Ezekiel! Ezekiel!" She shouted in her dream. Suddenly, an otherworldly ringtone sounded. Just as she felt annoyed, she suddenly realized she might be dreaming. Without opening her eyes, she reached for her phone and pressed the answer button with a sense of familiarity.

"Hello! Who's this?" she mumbled.

A charming and husky voice came from the other end. "Are you sleeping, Miss Mayo?"

In that split second, Harmony's eyes snapped open, and she moved the phone away to check the caller ID. When she saw who it was, she was wide awake instantly. It was Ezekiel, not the man from her dream.

"Yes. I'm sorry, Mr. Weiss. Have you returned?" Harmony asked excitedly.

"I'm back. Are you tired from working?" Ezekiel asked with concern.

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"It's not that tiring. Thanks for asking." Harmony's heart warmed. Listening to Ezekiel's words, she felt her energy replenished.

"Do you have time tonight?" he asked.

After hearing that, she wondered if he was asking for a meet-up. Just as she was about to agree gladly, she suddenly remembered she had a show that night.

"I... I'm free tonight, but I must record a show at 6.00PM first." Harmony panicked. She was torn between not wanting to reject Ezekiel's invitation and being caught up with work.

"Until when?"

"It starts at 6.00PM and ends at 7.00PM. We can meet after that if you still have time. If not, we can reschedule," she said, worried about conflicting schedules.

"No problem. We can meet at 7.00PM and have dinner together."

"Okay! Will that make you stay hungry with me?" She didn't want him to suffer.

"Not at all! Tonight, besides me, my grandmother will also be there. She's your fan and wants to meet you."

“Oh!” Harmony blushed. She didn’t expect Ezekiel’s grandmother to like her. It was truly a great honor!

“My grandmother really likes the classic drama you filmed. Of course, she also admires your acting skills.”

“It’s my honor for her to like me,” she replied as she had gained a genuine admirer.

“Where are you recording the show? I’ll find a restaurant nearby, and we can go together after you finish.”

“Sure. I’m recording at NBO News. There are many good restaurants around. I’ll make a reservation!” Harmony said as she was eager to treat him to a meal.

“No need. Just focus on the show. I’ll handle the reservation. Next time, you can treat me,” Ezekiel said. She didn’t insist any further and replied, “Alright. See you tonight then.”

“See you tonight.”

“Um... Can you come to watch my show? Tonight, we’re inviting fifty people to attend. I... | can reserve a seat for you.” She braced herself and asked. Still, she wouldn’t mind if he had other plans.

Ezekiel agreed without hesitation. “Sure, I’ll be there.”

“It’s in Studio Six. We start at 6.00PM, but you can come a bit later. It’s not a problem,” Harmony said. She would be thrilled even if he stayed for just ten minutes.

“Okay, I’ll drop my grandmother off at the restaurant before picking you up,” he said.

“Alright. Thank you, Mr. Weiss.” She felt happy.

“No worries,” he said in a low voice.

“I won’t disturb you then,” Harmony said.

“Okay! See you tonight.” Ezekiel finished speaking and hung up the phone.

After hanging up the phone, she joyfully sank onto the couch, embracing her phone while giggling. She couldn’t believe that he would come to watch her show tonight. She was determined to perform well and not stutter during her speech on stage. She would handle everything with composure.

She took the script she was looking for in the morning and meticulously studied it, committing every detail to memory as if gearing up for an exam. Little did she realize that her script for the night had been tampered with.

Harmony shared this exciting news with Sera, who was also delighted. After all, the mysterious Ezekiel was finally going to make an appearance.

At 4.00PM, Harmony arrived at the television station early for makeup. The station had arranged for a sponsor to provide her with the dress to showcase her elegance. The dress had a classical charm, and when she changed into it, she looked fascinating. Even her hairstyle mimicked the one from her film roles, and her makeup looked elegant. She cooperated with the makeup artist since she would meet someone she wanted to see.

“Miss Mayo, you look stunning in this dress! Others can’t have the same vibe as you, and your figure is simply amazing,” the chief editor praised her as he came over.

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“Thank you for the compliment, Mr. Markus Mortz. Harmony smiled confidently.

At this moment, Ruby was also watching Harmony not far away as she held the script for tonight. She first had the chief editor to review it before handing it to an intern. The intern held the script and would soon deliver it to the studio. Time was ticking away, and Sera was also waiting outside.

At this moment, Ruby’s phone rang. She took out her phone and saw it was Catalina calling.

“Hello, Catalina,” Ruby answered in a hushed tone.

“Did you do as I instructed?”

“The script will soon be switched. Don’t worry! Everything is according to plan.”

“Good. I’ll be waiting for a good show.”

“You can look forward to seeing Harmony make a fool of herself!” Ruby said.

Not only had Catalina bribed Ruby, but she also used the connection of her mother’s company and established a good relationship with the host. As long as the host performed usually, everything would go smoothly.

After hanging up the phone, Ruby turned to greet Harmony with an adoring expression.

“Miss Mayo, I really love your movie.”

“Thank you, Harmony responded with a smile.

“Harmony, let’s get ready. It’s already 5.40PM. Let’s go! There’s also a two-minute fan meeting over there.”

“Okay!” Harmony nodded. Just as she left the corridor, some fans approached boldly, presenting flowers to her.

“These are flowers for you, Miss Mayo. I hope you like them.”

“Here’s a small gift too!”

“Thank you.” Harmony smiled gratefully.

“Wow! She looks even more beautiful up close, and her figure is even better.”

“She’s simply a goddess.”

“You are so beautiful. I love you so much.” A male fan exclaimed. When Harmony smiled and looked at him, his heart raced. “Harmony, I love you. You are my goddess.”

“Thank you, everyone!” After interacting with fans for two minutes, Harmony was guided to a lounge by the staff. After a ten-minute wait, she was welcomed by the enthusiastic female host. She sat in the studio amid the warm cheers of her fans.

At this moment, the intern placed the script in front of the female host. She glanced at the script and noticed the questions written on it. However, the Martin Family had already talked to the female host about it and told her to follow the mistaken script, disregarding the consequences.

Ruby stood nearby and watched with a triumphant smile as the script was presented to the host.

Harmony took a deep breath and looked at the entrance. Right now, she was anticipating the long-awaited figure to appear.

She had pondered whether Ezekiel would show up, but her expectations weren’t too high. After all, she could empathize with someone as busy as him possibly being unable to attend.

Just then, the director made a gesture, indicating that the live broadcast had begun. The host skillfully led the opening of the show, introducing today’s guest, Harmony.

“Hello, everyone. I’m Harmony Mayo. It’s a pleasure to meet you all. I’m honored to participate in this interview.”

“Let’s start with a casual chat, Miss Mayo. We’re all curious about how you walked the red carpet at Fashion Week. Did the brand invite you, or did you use some connections?”

Harmony was surprised when she heard the host’s words. She looked up at the host, who was smiling and waiting for her response. Of course, the entire audience and her fans were also waiting.

Harmony didn’t expect the TV station to ask such an unexpected question. Still, she smiled and replied, “I’m honored to attend Fashion Week. It was my friend who invited me to accompany him on stage and walk the runway together.”

“Oh! So, you walked the red carpet through your friend’s connection. That makes us even more curious! According to our information, it was a male friend. Can you tell us about your relationship with him? Are you friends? Or is he someone special?” The host continued to inquire.

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Facing the unexpected questions, Harmony tried to maintain a smile while thinking of a plan in her mind. She hadn’t anticipated the TV station would prepare two sets of scripts and wondered if this was a play to manipulate celebrities for increased viewership.

“We are just friends.”

“Well, what is your opinion of being on the red carpet, Miss Mayo? Do you think such behavior has ethical implications?” The host continued to inquire.

Meanwhile, Sera was anxious as she saw Harmony being bullied on stage. Sera quickly found the deputy director and asked, “Sir, what’s going on? These questions aren’t the ones my artist agreed upon. Why are they asking random questions now?” She questioned angrily.

“We’re not sure about this. It’s a live broadcast, so we can’t switch the scripts now,” the deputy director explained. He noticed that the current views had already reached fifty million and thought tonight might hit a hundred million views. Thus, in terms of profits, he wouldn’t stop these actions since he believed these sharp questions would attract more attention than the initially planned ones.

On stage, Harmony answered her opinion on being on the red carpet. Then, the host continued with a smile, “Miss Mayo, we believe the fans have witnessed your acting skills. Not only are you skillful in

acting, but you are also a beauty. Our fans are interested in whether you've had plastic surgery or not. Could you share aspects to consider if one decides to get plastic surgery?"

This question directly labeled Harmony as someone who had done plastic surgery before.

Harmony smiled and replied, "I don't know much about this because I haven't had any experience. Sorry about that."

The host chuckled and eased the awkwardness. "Oh my, Miss Mayo doesn't want to discuss this topic. Let's move on to the next question, then."

In the meantime, Harmony was already annoyed. She hadn't expected the TV station to play such a dirty trick and wanted the interview to end as soon as possible.

"Miss Mayo, you started your career at a young age. We believe you've encountered many actors. So, please tell us which three actors you dislike the most. You can use initials instead of names."

This question was clearly meant to create conflict. Harmony couldn't answer this question, so she simply shook her head with a smile and said, "I don't hate anyone because I think they are all wonderful people and have taken good care of me in many ways."

The host continued to smile, appearing friendly. However, her eyes were filled with malice. She picked up the script and said, "Okay, we'll have a rapid Q&A next. If your boyfriend is angry, how will you quickly appease him?" she asked.

Harmony calmly replied, "It depends on the situation. Adults should resolve issues rationally."

"Under what circumstances did you and your boyfriend first have an intimate relationship?"

In that split second, Harmony was speechless.

On the other hand, a tall and handsome figure had quietly taken a seat in the back row. Since Harmony was entirely focused on the host's questions, she didn't notice that someone had arrived.

After hearing this question, the man narrowed his eyes in displeasure. He could not help but ponder, What kind of interview is this? All the questions are filled with ill intentions.

Harmony blushed, and her eyes shimmered. After all, this question was impossible to answer. Although she had been in a relationship with Reuben for five years, they never engaged in a sexual relationship. It wasn't that she didn't want to answer, but this question was too personal. Whether she answered or not, it would have an impact on her.

In the meantime, the fans were also expressing their dissatisfaction. After all, this wasn't the appropriate way to treat their idol.

Harmony pursed her red lips, and the camera deliberately zoomed in on her face, wanting to capture her embarrassed expression more clearly.

"Well..." Harmony was lost for words, unsure of how to reply.

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At this moment, a deep voice resonated, "You don't have to answer that."

The entire studio was shocked. Fans turned their heads with wide eyes. At the same time, Harmony was thrilled as she realized that Ezekiel actually came. He stepped onto the stage and ignored the gazes as he took Harmony's hand. "Let's go."

"Sir, this is a live interview! Leaving without permission is a breach of contract," the host hurriedly interjected.

Ezekiel glanced at the host coldly and said, "I will handle the rest."

Harmony didn't fully react to the situation, but he had already held her hand tightly. In front of the female host, the director, the fans, and nearly eighty million viewers nationwide, she was led out of the interview room by Ezekiel. As he led her down the corridor, Sera approached eagerly. She was grateful

for his help but was still concerned since Harmony was a celebrity. Hence, this behavior wouldn't sit well with the TV station and would affect her career.

"You're here, Mr. Weiss, you're here. That's wonderful," Sera said.

"I'll take her away first. I'll handle any breach of contract issues," he said.

At that moment, the deputy director rushed over and blocked their way. "Please stop. The live broadcast has been interrupted, and we need an explanation to the audience. Please wait here for our instructions."

Harmony scolded, "Kent Donnor, why is the script different from what we discussed? Did you change the script?"

"We will investigate this matter, but your actions today have violated the terms of our contract, Miss Mayo. You may need to bear the responsibility of compensation." Kent snarled. After all, the views had almost reached ninety million, yet Harmony cut off such a high-profile broadcast. Thus, he was furious. Then, he turned his gaze to Ezekiel. "Who might you be, Sir? Why do you have the right to take away our guest without permission? You have no right to do this."

"He is my friend," she explained. Then, on second thought, she added, "He is my boyfriend. He has the right to do so. Please don't cause trouble for him."

"I don't care what kind of relationship you guys had, but you have violated our television station's rights. Hence, you must stay here and deal with this until we are all satisfied with the result.

Ezekiel's face already showed signs of annoyance. Then, he said sternly, "Step aside."

Kent was taken aback and looked at Ezekiel, who emitted an intimidating aura. At that moment, Kent felt a sense of trouble and wondered if Ezekiel was someone from a wealthy family.

"We're leaving," Ezekiel said as he dragged Harmony away. Regardless of the consequences or the amount of compensation, she was also willing to face it.

Ezekiel held her hand until they exited the building and arrived at the parking lot. After they got into the car, he let out a sigh of relief and leaned toward her. "Did I scare you?"

She pursed her red lips and shook her head with a smile. "No. What you did back then was cool. Thank you."

He smiled and reassured her. "Don't worry. I'll handle this matter."

"It was the television station that broke the agreement first. They played a dirty trick, giving me a completely different script than they used on stage. I will take legal action against them," Harmony said, not wanting to be treated like a pushover.

"Good! I'll provide you with a lawyer, and we'll make the television station publicly apologize to you in front of the entire people," Ezekiel declared, wanting to help her vent her frustration.

"How much does your lawyer charge?" she asked curiously.

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Ezekiel gripped the steering wheel elegantly while turning his head with a smile. "It's free for you."

Harmony was momentarily stunned before nodding in response. "Okay, then. Thank you in advance."

At this moment, the television station quickly switched to other programs and promptly issued an announcement-the live broadcast concluded ahead of schedule due to health concerns affecting the artist.

Facing the deputy director's accusation, Sera refused to back down. "Compensation? You should be the one compensating my artist! It is unacceptable that you intentionally made things difficult for her."

"Miss Longjohn, I think it's best if we don't make things ugly. If your artist doesn't want her reputation to be affected, we better resolve this privately," the deputy director suggested.

“How do you suggest we resolve it?” Sera asked.

“Have your artist issue an apology to us in the form of a video. Also, you must compensate us according to the breach of contract terms in the agreement.”

However, Sera was not willing to compromise. “That’s impossible. Let’s settle this in court!”

“Are you sure you want to go to court with our station? We have the best lawyers, so you have no chance of winning,” the deputy director threatened.

At the thought of Ezekiel, Sera straightened her back with confidence. “We can afford to retain an international legal counsel! Just you wait!”

After saying that, Sera left. The deputy director, with his arms crossed, sneered, “How dare she spit nonsense? Alright, then. We’ll see what she has up her sleeve.”

Meanwhile, Ruby thought Harmony would endure these problems until the end, but she was unexpectedly taken away by a mysterious and handsome man halfway through.

Now that the entire incident had escalated, she thought she could shift the blame to the intern, but she quickly realized that even her job might

be on the line.

“Ruby, come here!” Natalie Lawson, the host, called out to her angrily.

Ruby immediately went to Natalie’s office, where Natalie threw the script harshly at her. “What’s going on? Why is the script you gave me different? Did you change it?”

Ruby knew that Natalie had also received favors from Catalina, yet now she was trying to shift all the blame to her.

“Sorry, Nat. I didn’t do it on purpose. Moreover, it wasn’t my mistake. It was the intern who messed up. I’ll make her take responsibility for this right away.”

“You better not involve me in this matter. Now, go and settle it!” Natalie ordered.

Ruby nodded quickly. She thought that if she pushed this issue onto the intern, she could save herself.

As soon as Ruby went out, the intern ran over to her. “Ruby, how did the script get messed up?”

“Why are you asking me? Wasn’t it you who messed up? How dare you ask me that question?” Ruby sneered.

“I.. I got it from you.”

“Why didn’t you check it? It was your responsibility. You were the last person to review it, and yet, you still made a mistake. Admit your mistake to the director! This has nothing to do with me.” After saying that, Ruby left with a disdainful snort.

Soon, her phone rang. It was a call from Catalina, so she quickly found a secluded place to answer the call. “Hey, Catalina.”

“What happened? Why was the live broadcast cut off? Did something happen?”

“Well, a man suddenly barged in and took Harmony away. We’re helpless. Even our deputy director is furious now!”

“What man?”

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As for Catalina, her nerves tightened. She hadn’t expected Ezekiel to appear, which meant that the situation had become more complicated.

If Harmony sought help from Ezekiel and intervened, not only Ruby but the entire television station would be affected.

Catalina only wished for this matter not to implicate her.

Meanwhile, Harmony sat in Ezekiel's car and arrived at the restaurant. She was in a traditional attire that made her exude a special charm. Ezekiel hadn't properly appreciated it at the television station, but now, his gaze couldn't help but linger on her.

As they entered the restaurant, Ezekiel noticed that when Harmony appeared, all the men around couldn't take their eyes off her. Whether young or old, their gazes were fixed on her, especially on her chest.

Ezekiel suddenly felt displeased. He stepped forward to block half of Harmony's figure.

Harmony was momentarily surprised, her pretty face blushing slightly. Their sudden closeness made her feel like she was in a dream, and she was torn between not wanting to push him away and not daring to take the initiative.

She was afraid that it was just a man's fleeting fancy. When they arrived at the door of a private room, Ezekiel knocked on it before pushing the door open.

Cecelia Anders was sitting alone inside, having been in there for quite some time. When she saw her grandson and the movie star-like Harmony entering, her eyes instantly lit up, and she felt ten years younger in an instant.

"Oh, my! You're gorgeous, Miss Mayo!" Cecelia personally came forward to welcome her.

Harmony felt pleasantly surprised. She looked at the kind old lady and then at Ezekiel. Noticing the joyful look on his grandmother's face, Ezekiel introduced her to Harmony. "This is my grandmother."

"Pleasure to meet you, ma'am!" Harmony greeted her.

Cecelia was delighted to hear that. She nodded while exclaiming, "It is very nice to meet you too! I would have been delighted if I had such a beautiful granddaughter."

Ezekiel widened his eyes slightly. Is my dear grandmother planning to officially acknowledge Harmony as her granddaughter?!

Harmony simply continued smiling and enjoyed the feeling of being adored.

"Come and have a seat, darling." Cecelia pulled Harmony to sit beside her. The more she looked at the young woman, the more she liked her. When Cecelia turned to her tall and handsome grandson, a thought suddenly crossed her mind.

If her grandson could win Harmony's heart and marry her, it meant they would be a family. Cecelia wouldn't have to formally acknowledge Harmony as a granddaughter anymore. Harmony could just become her granddaughter-in-law!

"Ezekiel, how did you and Miss Mayo get to know each other?" Cecelia asked curiously.

Smiling, Ezekiel responded, "It's a strange fate. We first met at the airport."

Looking embarrassed, Harmony added, "I bumped into him and accidentally dropped the gemstone from my necklace onto him."

"That's fate!" Cecelia exclaimed.

"After that, Miss Mayo came looking for me, so we met again," Ezekiel finished, seemingly recalling their encounter in the hotel. A hint of a meaningful smile played on his lips.

Hearing that, Harmony no longer dared to make eye contact with him. She nodded in agreement and pursed her red lips. "Yes. I went looking for him because the gemstone is very important to me.

“What happened afterward? Did you meet again, or did you just meet tonight?” Cecelia continued asking questions as she was curious about the progress of their relationship.

“We met later in Dansbury and became good friends,” Ezekiel answered.

Hearing him add the word ‘good’ before ‘friends’ in front of his grandmother, Harmony presented a shy smile.

“Come on, darling. Order anything you like. You must be hungry!” Cecelia then took the menu over.

Harmony and Cecelia ordered together, and the food arrived quickly. After that, Cecelia began chatting about Harmony’s movie, discussing the plot, and praising her acting skills.