

Chapter 710 Investments Avoid Jiebei

"Director Fan," Li Dong was angry inside but didn't show it on his face. "I'm the north regional manager for Lin Group, Li Dong. I contacted you earlier, this is my assistant."

He pointed to Number 5 beside him.

Fan Luo just nodded and didn't even look up. "Oh it's you. What's the matter?"

Li Dong smiled and said, "Director Fan, it's about the Lin Group goods. The approval papers..."

"This is not an easy matter to settle,"
Fan Luo shook his head and waved
his hands before Li Dong could finish
his sentence. "Goods approval has to

follow a process, and nowadays, the procedure for entering the market is very strict. Mr Li, you're an expert in this industry, so I'm sure you know better than me how strict it is. It's not possible."

Li Dong got angry inside. What did he mean by it was not possible?

Any region and any city could get this done. Even if it was done by the book, it would only be a matter of days.

And normally, if a major corporation was entering a market, the paperwork was usually processed more quickly. Why weren't they able to process Lin Group's paperwork



here?

"Director Fan, I know the process and procedure that's required. But now I can't find the right people," Li Dong sounded like he was in a difficult position. "Many documents need to be signed but all the authorized signatories are not around, so the paperwork has been left unattended to for too long and we can't afford it to continue being dragged on like this."

Fan Luo laughed and got up from his chair.

He walked to Li Dong and narrowed his eyes into a strange smile. "Mr Li, are you trying to say that we have





been careless at our job?"

"That's not what I meant."

"Look at the work that we have. Do you know how many things we have to handle everyday? To you, it's just a matter of signing papers. But you're just one company. Do you know how many companies we have to look at?"

"Even if your company can get all the procedures done, I still have many more people to go through on my side. All of you have to get in line like everyone else. We don't give anyone special privileges here, and everything is done by the book."



Fan Luo shook his head and looked displeased. "Since you say that you know all the procedures well, then go get everything else done first. Once you've completed everything else, it'll eventually reach this place. Without the proper paperwork in place, I'm sorry but I can't do anything for you."

"Director Fan..."

"I still have a lot of work to do, please leave," said Fan Luo with a cold expression on his face before Li Dong could say anymore.

Li Dong cursed in his heart. If he now agreed to give them 70% of the profits, he was quite sure that this process would be completed in an



hour or so.

These leeches!

Never mind 70%. They didn't even have the right to ask for 10%.

This was within their job scope, but they kept dragging their feet on it, so many companies had no choice but to give in to their demands.

With such a huge amount of profit gone, how many companies could survive?

Many of them could only quietly pack their bags and leave the northern market. So the huge northern market was still controlled by the powerful



families.

Everyone knew about this, but there was nothing they could do. Either they lived with it, or they got out.

Li Dong left in a huff, and Fan Luo just scoffed. He went back to his office chair and snorted in disdain. "Lin Group? In the past, 70% of the profits would be enough. But now, there are too many people who don't want to let you in."

"Besides, they don't seem to know how to behave at all. They can slowly wait for the documents, as long as they can afford to wait."

Fan Luo was only the public face of

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Jiebei to meet with all these people.
But if they couldn't even get past Fan
Luo, there was no way they were
going to get past the rest.

Li Dong had come into his office without bringing anything and even dared to talk to him like that.

What was there to negotiate?

There was no room for negotiation at all!

Fan Luo leaned against his chair. He narrowed his eyes and calmly said, "If you don't know how to behave in the corporate world, then you won't last long, hohoho."





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Fan Luo closed his eyes and waited for Li Dong to be enlightened.

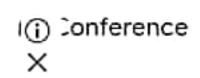
To him, all these people would eventually learn how to behave. Humans had to go through some hardship in order to mature.

Li Dong's face was pale from anger when he walked out of Fan Luo's office.

This Fan Luo was really terrible!

He was just a director and worked for others too. But he was so arrogant!

"Now I suddenly find that you have a really good temper," Number 5 remarked through clenched teeth. "I





nearly killed him on the spot earlier!"

He had never seen someone like that. Fan Luo wasn't just arrogant. He also just did whatever he fancied and was a disgrace to the office he held.

"These people are like that, and it's especially bad in Jiebei," Li Dong shook his head. "But yet, you can't find any problem or evidence against them. They just need to find a lousy excuse and they can force you to give in to their demands. What can you do about that?"

Li Dong was angry too, but there was nothing he could do.

Fan Luo and the six powerful families



behind him who controlled Jiebei used this sort of despicable tactic to get 70% of the profits from Lin Group.

That was the reason why Jiebei couldn't advance as a city. The northern region was pretty much all like this because all the roads into the city had been blocked by all these powerful families. They didn't want any rivals to be able to enter and threaten their position.

"Don't worry, we'll wait for Big Boss to come," said Number 5. "Once Big Boss is here, everything will be settled."

LI Dong had no choice but to call

Jiang Ning. To his surprise, Jiang Ning was already on his way.

He seemed to already know that something would happen and Li Dong would run out of ideas by now. He was going to come when Li Dong needed him the most.

By afternoon, Jiang Ning had arrived. Only Brother Gou was with him, but Number 5 knew that all his fellow brothers had come along too.

"Brother Ning, I'm really sorry." Li Dong was very ashamed of himself. He felt like he had disappointed the hopes that Jiang Ning had in him.

Out of the five gantries, he had only

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taken down two of them. And Jiang Ning had helped him secretly with Tianbei too.

"You've done a good job," Jiang Ning smiled and praised Li Dong. "You know, there are many others who haven't been able to get through a single one. Even those who managed to had to pay a terribly high price."

Li Dong nodded.

It was daylight robbery!

He was never going to agree to such terms.

"Don't worry, these small matters aren't a problem to Lin Group at all,"



said Jiang Ning. "What you need to do is to widen your horizons. This tiny northern market isn't your world."

These few sentences were enough to make Li Dong feel like his blood was surging through his body.

Jiang Ning didn't blame him and even encouraged him. He was even willing to give Li Dong a chance to keep maturing and growing!

"I said before that I want everybody to mature together with Lin Group," Jiang Ning patted Li Dong's shoulder. "What level Lin Group can reach in the future will not only depend on Yuzhen and myself. It will depend on every single one of you who work for

Lin Group. Not a single person less. Understand?"

"I understand!" Li Dong felt like crying. "Brother Ning, I won't let you down!"

Jiang Ning nodded. "Alright now, pull yourself together. It's time to get down to work."

"Li Dong, get yourself ready. Yuzhen's side is almost done and the goods will be shipped over soon. Get ready to receive the goods and prepare for the next step." Jiang Ning walked towards the door. "I'll settle the rest."

Jiang Ning then left with Brother Gou.

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Li Dong took a deep breath and turned to Number 5. His voice trembled, "For a moment there, I really wanted to give my life to Brother Ning!"

Number 5 laughed. He could empathize with him. "I totally get you."

"Let's get to work!"

The two of them sorted themselves out and got busy. Meanwhile, Jiang Ning and Brother Gou left to look for Fan Luo again.

Fan Luo was sitting on the sofa now and leisurely making his tea. The documents on his office desk were



already piled as high as a mountain.

It was more interesting to make tea than to go through all these nitty gritty things.

"I wonder who will look for me next. I hope it's someone who knows how to behave."

Fan Luo was pouring tea for himself when someone suddenly kicked his office door open with a loud bang.



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This loud bang alarmed Fan Luo so badly that he shouted loudly and shook the teacup in his hand. The boiling water spilled onto his own hand and he squealed loudly in pain like he was a pig getting slaughtered.

"AHH!!!" He jumped up and quickly grabbed some tissue to wipe his hand. He looked up to see a stranger walk in. He flew into a rage.

"Who are you?!" Fan Luo was furious. This guy walked into his office without even knocking! How bold!

And now his hand was scalded and the pain made his face redden instantly.

Jiang Ning glanced at Fan Luo's flabby face and pot belly and knew this wasn't a good guy. Which hard worker would look like this?

This guy definitely ended up looking like this from leeching on others!

He walked over and stared at Fan Luo. "You're in charge of approving the goods coming through Jiebei?"

"Who do you think you are?!" Fan Luo was furious. "How dare you speak to me like that!"

"Who the hell do you think you are? How dare you barge into my office like that! Do you know who I am?!" he roared angrily. "Get out now!



Otherwise forget about stepping into my office again! You want me to approve your goods? Dream on... AHHH!"

Before he could finish his sentence, Jiang Ning slapped him across the face and sent Fan Luo flying onto the sofa. He clutched his face and howled in pain.

"I wasn't asking you this." Jiang Ning stepped forward and grabbed Fan Luo's collar. His gaze was icy cold. "I asked, are you the one in charge of approving the goods coming into Jiebei? You just need to say yes or no!"

Fan Luo's face paled from fright but



one side was red from the slap earlier. He opened his mouth to speak, "Y-yes...it's me."

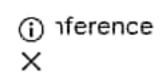
"Great. Get the forms here, I want to start the approval process."

"You...who are you and why should I give you..."

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Jiang Ning slapped him again and now the other side of Fan Luo's face was red too. "Because that's your job!"

Jiang Ning had no expression on his face. "Get the forms here."





Fan Luo felt like his soul was about to leave his body. He had never met someone so aggressive before.

When others came to him to ask for the form, they wouldn't get anything if they didn't beg him or give him a little gift or two. Fan Luo would refuse until they showed their sincerity. But this man not only dared to barge in directly, he even dared to hit him!

Who on earth in Jiebei behaved like this?!

"I...don't have the form!" Fan Luo was both frightened and furious. "Without the go ahead from the others, I can't give it to you! You actually dared to



hit me, so you're doomed! You... AHHH!"

Jiang Ning cut Fan Luo off with another slap. This slap was even heavier than the last, and sent a few of Fan Luo's teeth flying out.

Fan Luo shrieked and fell on the floor. He looked up at Jiang Ning with terror written all over his face.

Who...who on earth was this man?!

"I'm just going to sit here and wait.
Tell whoever is in charge to bring the form here," Jiang Ning looked down at Fan Luo. "If I can't get the approval document today, then you can forget about stepping out of this door.



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Nobody can save you now."

Fan Luo gulped and his entire body was trembling. Jiang Ning's stare was like the stare of a wild animal. Fan Luo felt like Jiang Ning might gobble him up in the next moment.

His entire body was shivering and his teeth chattered. He didn't even dare to stand up.

"You...are you trying to challenge the six powerful families who control Jiebei?!"

Jiang Ning narrowed his eyes and his voice became even colder now. "That's right."



Jiang Ning's smiling face looked even more terrifying than the demon to Fan Luo.

He wanted to challenge the six powerful families who controlled Jiebei?

That was simply crazy!

"Who do you think you are?!" Fan Luo roared and laughed coldly. "You're going to die so badly that nobody would be able to find your remains!"

PAK!

The only reply he got was another slap from Jiang Ning.



Jiang Ning couldn't be bothered with his nonsense. "You can drag this on. I know you people are very good at dragging out the process. No problem, you can drag it out for as long as you're able to endure my slaps."

PAK!

PAK!

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Jiang Ning slapped him several times in a row. Fan Luo started screaming for help and crying for his mother.



But the soundproofing of his office was excellent. For the first time, he regretted making the soundproofing so good in order to get some under the table things done. So even if his voice went hoarse from screaming, nobody would be able to hear him.

And so what if they could hear him?

He had said before that nobody was to enter his office without his permission!



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Fan Luo was sprawled on the floor.

His face was swollen and his nose was black and blue. His tears and mucus covered his face as he barely managed to shout, "Spare...spare me, please!"

He didn't dare to argue anymore.

This fellow in front of him was clearly a nutcase!

He would really dare to slap him to death!

"The form." Jiang Ning still said the same thing as he slowly lifted his hand again. Fan Luo was so scared that he bounced up from the floor and ran to his desk. He pulled a form

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out and quickly handed it to Jiang Ning.

"Fill it out!" Jiang Ning glared at Fan Luo. He felt like crying but he grabbed a pen anyway.

He gulped. "What...what's the name of your company?"

"Lin Group," replied Jiang Ning clearly.

Fan Luo's body shook. The hand that was holding the pen instantly froze.

Lin Group?

This man was from Lin Group?



They were being too arrogant now!

A company from outside this region actually dared to barge into his office and hit him, and even forced him to process the paperwork for their goods.

He didn't want to write anything!

Besides, the people on top of him didn't want Lin Group's products to get past this gantry at all.

If he approved it for Jiang Ning, then he was doomed.

Fan Luo immediately made a decision. Even if Jiang Ning beat him up, he couldn't fill out this form for

Jiang Ning.

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"WRITE IT DOWN!" Jiang Ning suddenly let out a thunderous roar that blasted into Fan Luo's ear.

It echoed in his head and completely dissolved the decision he had just made as well as the courage he had earlier. He continued to tremble and didn't dare to hesitate anymore. He picked up the pen and started filling out the form for Jiang Ning.

"Stop your hand from trembling! If you write anything wrongly, I'll break your hand!" said Jiang Ning.

Fan Luo felt that these two minutes was the longest two minutes of his



life. It passed by so slowly, it felt like a few years had gone by.

He obediently filled out all the information that the form required and stamped the field for his department, then placed the form neatly in front of Jiang Ning. His face was all pale and he didn't dare to utter a single word.

"The approval process for products to come in actually requires six people to sign off?" Jiang Ning frowned. He could see that Fan Luo's stamp was only the first one, and there were five more areas that required others to stamp.

As long as it wasn't complete, this



was a useless piece of paper.

"This...this form needs several departments to approve unanimously in the first place, and I'm...I'm just one of the departments."

Fan Luo swallowed hard.

The six powerful families controlled one department each. Anyone who wanted to enter the north had to go through this process regardless of who they were. It wasn't so easy to come in.

"Who should be stamping here?" Jiang Ning pointed at one of the blank spaces on the form.



"It's...it's Zhao Haifeng."

"Tell him to bring his stamp here," said Jiang Ning calmly.

Fan Luo felt as if his throat was filled with sand.

What was Jiang Ning trying to do?

He wanted everyone to come here and stamp the form for him?

Was he nuts?"

It was difficult enough to see them, but now he wanted them to come all the way here just to approve Lin Group's products and let them into Jiebei?



He was definitely crazy!

"Is there a problem?" Jiang Ning eyed Fan Luo.

"They...they're very busy..."

"I'm even busier," Jiang Ning waved his hand and didn't want to hear Fan Luo spout nonsense. Did he think that Jiang Ning didn't know if those idiots were really busy or not? "Tell them to come here and stamp this form for me, it'll save me the trouble of looking for them personally."

"Also, if you don't get this matter sorted out properly, you can forget about walking out of this office!"



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Fan Luo didn't dare to argue anymore.

Tears flowed down his cheeks as he walked to his desk to call the other five.

"Come to my office with your official ink stamps, it's a very important matter."

He didn't dare to tell them that a terrifying monster was sitting in front of him.

If they didn't dare to come as a result, he could forget about making it out of this office.

"We've got big business coming our

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way? The other party has agreed to 70% of the profits?" the first person he called sounded rather excited. "If they haven't agreed, I'm too lazy to go over."

They wanted 70% because each of the six families would take 10% each, and the last 10% went to the subordinates.

When the master ate meat, the servants doing the work would naturally get to drink some soup.

"You'll know when you get here," Fan Luo just explained it away simply. After he finished making all five phone calls, he stood in front of Jiang Ning and didn't dare to make a



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single noise.

In no time, his office door opened. A middle aged man in a suit, leather shoes and glasses walked in.

The moment he came in, he saw Fan Luo standing in one corner like a piece of wood, and Jiang Ning was seated on the sofa and staring at himself.



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"You're Zhao Haifeng?"

"That's right," Zhao Haifeng frowned.
He could sense that there was
something wrong with this
atmosphere. "Who are you?"

He glanced at Fan Luo, but Fan Luo didn't say anything. There was no expression on his face, as if his soul had flown out of his body.

"As long as you're the right guy.
Stamp this form for me," Jiang Ning nodded and pointed to the form on the table. He couldn't be bothered to explain too much.

Zhao Haifeng snorted and pushed his glasses up. His face was filled



with disdain and he sneered.

"You want me to stamp this form, so I should stamp it?" He walked over to Jiang Ning and suddenly let out a cold laugh. "Aren't you being too arrogant now?"

Who in Jiebei dared to talk to him like this?

This man needed a favor from him but boldly ordered him around.

Pak!

Zhao Haifeng's glasses suddenly flew out. He shouted loudly and his head was spinning.



"You...you dare to hit me!" Zhao Haifeng didn't even bother about his glasses. "I am..."

Jiang Ning didn't let him finish. He sent a kick towards Zhao Haifeng's knees and Zhao Haifeng immediately fell to his knees.

"Even if you were a god, I'll hit you anyway," said Jiang Ning calmly. "Since you don't want to stand and do this, then you can stamp the form on your knees."

He was holding this position but refused to do his work. Jiang Ning didn't have that much patience.

He didn't care if Zhao Haifeng was



someone from a powerful family. Even if he was a god, Jiang Ning would dare to break his legs!

Thud!

Before Zhao Haifeng could say anything, Fan Luo obediently knelt down and whispered to Zhao Haifeng, "If you don't want to die, listen to him!"

Couldn't Zhao Haifeng see how his own face was as swollen as a pig's?!

Zhao Haifeng clenched his teeth. He was deeply humiliated but he dare not say anything threatening now.

Jiang Ning was so imposing that his



face paled from fright. He had no choice but to listen to Jiang Ning and obediently affixed his stamp on the form after filling out all the necessary details.

Just after he finished writing, someone opened the office door again...

The person who came in noticed Fan Luo and Zhao Haifeng kneeling on the floor. His expression changed but before he could react, the door closed behind him.

He didn't know what was going on. He looked warily at Jiang Ning seated on the sofa. Who was this big shot that could make both Zhao Haifeng and Fan Luo kneel on the floor?

"Come over here and sign off the form," Jiang Ning couldn't even be bothered to ask who he was. "Kneel down and fill it out!"

After a while, there were some muffled sounds coming out from inside the office. A few faint screams were heard, then everything returned to normal.

Brother Gou stood outside the door. His stern and unfeeling expression made everyone who walked past keep their distance. He gave a quick count. Everyone should have already arrived.

After a while, the door opened and Jiang Ning rolled up the approval form and said, "Let's go."

The entire process was over and done with in no time. The entire thing took less than half an hour, and it was probably the fastest an approval was given.

So many people had to run back and forth for months to try to persuade these men to approve their papers and ended up giving in to their demands. But Jiang Ning got it so easily.

He didn't even bother trying to convince them by setting a good example.

That was because trying to reason with people like Fan Luo and the rest wasn't the example they needed.

Inside the office.

Fan Luo and the other five men were still kneeling on the floor. It wasn't that they didn't dare to get up. They couldn't get up.

Jiang Ning kicked their knees and their lower bodies were numb and felt like they were paralyzed. All of them were pale in the face and didn't even have anymore energy to cry or

scream.

After a long time, feeling finally returned to their legs and they all clambered to their feet. They all collapsed on the sofa and the fear on their faces had turned into fury and murder.

"Fan Luo!" Zhao Haifeng grabbed Fan Luo by the collar. "You bloody tried to kill us all!"

Fan Luo struggled and looked back fiercely, "I'm a victim too!"

"Who on earth was that? How dare he offend all of us from those six powerful families all at once? What is he trying to do?!"

All six of them were extremely furious. They had spent so many years in Jiebei and they had never been humiliated like this.

Even those multinational companies had to give in to them and come with some sincerity in order to get past them, and wouldn't even dare to speak too loudly. But now they had been beaten up and even had to kneel on the floor and forced to give their stamp of approval!

This hadn't just insulted them. This was an insult to the six powerful families that backed them.

The other five men glared at Fan Luo. Fan Luo was the one who called

them over, so they wished they could strangle him to death now.

"Lin Group!" said Fan Luo through clenched teeth. "He's from Lin Group!"



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