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Inside the meeting room of the Ford Group, all the higher-ups sat around the long meeting table, reporting the negative impact of the employees' suicide issue on the company.

Everyone held their breath as the CEO wore a dark expression on his face while he went through the reports.

There was a pin drop silence. Ding! A ding from a phone broke the silence. Instantly, everyone looked towards Tobias as it was his phone.

The staff had started to notice that Tobias was a different man now. Back then, he would have never brought his phone along into the meeting room, but not anymore.

Right then, he looked up to take a glimpse of everyone there and the lot of them immediately shifted their gaze away. Tobias opened up his WhatsApp to see a photo of Skylar with her new hair color.

His brows knitted. What color is this? She looks like someone just dumped soda on her.

Tobias raised his hand as he kept his eyes on the photo. She's such a weirdo, nothing like how a woman should be.

"Did I ask you to stop? From now on, everyone reports to me on the solution of your respective department and the possible reasons behind the suicide. Starting from the right and go from there."

Tobias issued out the order while his hand replied to the message.

Tobias: It's so ugly.

Everyone present was on their best behavior, carefully reporting everything as they were terrified to even misread a word.

Soon after, Skylar got a reply from Tobias. His blunt response was a clear indication of his displeasure with her new look.

Valerie had asked her assistant to bring Skylar to the practice room. The room took up almost the whole floor. It was a place where the trainees practiced their dancing and body shaping exercises.

Skylar watched their practice through the glass wall. The boys in there all looked quite feminine, but their bodies looked really fit. Everyone had a towel on their neck as they repeatedly practiced the dance moves. Their shirts were already soaked in sweat.

“Yo... isn’t this my sister-in-law?” A familiar voice came from behind. Skylar turned around and saw that it was Sheldon.

He sounded the same as always, his tone was much softer than Tobias’. And every time he greeted someone, he would have a sly grin on his face.

“Why are you here? I think I haven’t seen you in a long while now.” Skylar asked. She was still getting used to how Sheldon addressed her.

“My girlfriend’s inside.” Sheldon pointed into the practice room.

Skylar was immediately stumped. She was shocked by the speed at which Sheldon changed his girlfriend. The last time she saw him, he was with a famous online influencer. But now, it was a trainee. Truth be told, Sheldon was famous on the internet. A lot of female celebrities and online influencers were vying to get close to him.

“It’s been a long time since I saw my brother too,” Sheldon continued. “He doesn’t pick up my calls and ignores my messages on WhatsApp. Being neglected like this doesn’t feel good.”

Skylar could not tell Sheldon that she was with Tobias every day either.

“You free tonight? Let’s have dinner together,” Sheldon invited.

“I’m actually on a diet recently, sorry.”

Hearing that, Sheldon started inspecting Skylar. She did seem slim enough, but compared to the female celebrities, Skylar still had some baby fat to get rid of.

However, Sheldon smiled. "It's just one meal. You need to eat to gain energy for your diet anyway. I can only see my brother if you were there."

Sheldon's intentions did not seem pure, but seeing that he missed his brother so much, Skylar decided to agree. "Alright then. I'll get to work first. Call me later tonight."

Right as Skylar left, Sheldon received a call from Kai, so he decided that the more the merrier and asked Kai if he was free that night to go for a drink.

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Kai agreed without any hesitation. He had been in the countryside for so long, so he figured it was about time for him to have some fun.

At night, Kai looked at Sheldon when he saw Skylar. He was not sure if Sheldon did it deliberately or was it all just a coincidence.

On the other hand, Sheldon was unaware of their situation and introduced them to each other. "This is my brother's girlfriend, Skylar. She's gorgeous, right?"

Meanwhile, Kai looked at Skylar and asked, "Why did you blacklist my WhatsApp? It indicated that my messages were being denied whenever I sent something."

"You guys, know each other?" Sheldon was puzzled. "You should've told me earlier then. I wouldn't have introduced you. You actually have a wide range of friends, Skylar."

"I met him during the filming," Skylar explained as she sat down. "We're in the same movie, but I was done with my scenes earlier since he's the male lead."

Kai sat opposite Skylar, and he really wanted to know why Skylar blacklisted him. "Aren't we friends?"

He was really bothered by this issue. Seeing that, Skylar reflected on her actions and realized that she might have gone too far. So, she smiled and said, "I think that was an accident on my part."

"I do that too!" Sheldon was innocently trying to play along with Skylar. "I accidentally delete people all the time. Kai, you're a handsome man, why have a dog as your profile picture? And you don't post anything. Who would know that it's you? There were many times where I almost deleted you by accident."

However, Kai was still very frustrated. He did not trust Skylar's explanation, but he could not dig any deeper. From what he knew, there was a high chance that Tobias was behind it all. After all, Tobias was a selfish prick that could not tolerate anyone near his any of his possessions. Even if Tobias' feelings for Skylar were fake, he would not let any man near Skylar either way.

"The woman makes the decision here," Sheldon said as he passed the menu to Skylar.

Skylar took the menu and order some food as well as a salad for herself but no alcohol for her.

Nonetheless, Sheldon asked for a bottle of gin but was roasted by Kai for it.

"Since when were you such a cheapskate? You actually think you can treat us with a bottle of cheap gin like that?"

Kai and Sheldon were of a similar age, and their relationship had always been good, a direct contrast to what Kai thought about Tobias. To him, Tobias was as cold as ice, to say the least.

What Kai said hit Sheldon right where it hurt as his facade started to crumble. "My brother froze all my financial support, okay. He's forcing me to work at the company! With what I have, the cheap gin is all I can afford right now! You should be grateful that you at least have something to drink! Don't be so picky now," Sheldon exclaimed.

Hearing that confused Skylar. "Your brother would never actually force you to do things you don't like, what happened?"

It was the same question on Sheldon's mind, so he let out a sigh. "Maybe he thinks I've been going too far recently. He said I was living like trash and have no contribution or value at all. He told me that if I continued like this, I'm better off just being dead."

Those were some really hurtful words, but Skylar was certain that it all came from Tobias. She knew that sometimes, his sharp tongue would cause others more than just pain. The way Tobias talked made others feel like he was slicing them slowly and dashing salt all over the wounds at the same time.

Compared to everyone else, Tobias treated Skylar very gently.

"What does he mean by value? Is everything just a business transaction?" Kai sneered. "Do we have to go against our conscience just so we could maximize our gains?"

"Have you been stuck in the countryside for too long? Why are you so cynical all of a sudden?" Skylar asked.

Kai remained quiet. Is she defending Tobias?

After a while, all the dishes were served, but Skylar was only touching the salad. I must persevere!

Kai, on the other hand, thought that she was just being shy since she was in front of two men. Women need to maintain their image in front of men after all, is what he thought. So, he picked up a piece of beef and was about to put it in her plate.

Sheldon sensed something from Kai's move and immediately stopped his fork from moving any further. "It's not like she can't reach it. Maybe she just doesn't like beef."