"Noble princess, I came here because I've been personally requested by the duke.

"Since the royal family's reputation was involved, the royal family's crest was handed to me to handle the situation! Having the family crest is the same as seeing the duke himself!"

The duke was The Empire's head of the ministry of internal affairs and was the equivalent of being the queen's steward. His status was quite immense, and his words held enormous weight.

His status within The Empire was a lot greater compared to the prime minister.

Even the fourth princess could not help but gasp after hearing those words. At this moment, the fourth princess knew that Marquis Dunkirk had come to visit for a pretty dire situation.

She kept on thinking about why he would come at such a crucial time. Maybe Country H had already sent a letter to The Empire to force them to give up the person who orchestrated Mordu's incident.

Without a second thought, the fourth princess said, " Marquis Dunkirk, if you're worried about Mordu's incident, I'll give the ministry of internal affairs a fair statement soon.

"But that's just a part of my plan. I can't tell you all about it just yet."

"Mordu's incident?"

Marquis Dunkirk froze before he came back to his senses.

"Don't worry. That incident's still in the initial stages. It won't affect you for the time being.

"But of course, if you were the one who did it, you should deal with it as soon as possible before you affect the royal family.

"I came here because the royal family's reputation is affected.

"Don't you know what you did?

"How are you supposed to explain this?"

The fourth princess frowned after hearing those words.

"I don't know what you're talking about."

Marquis Dunkirk sighed before pulling out an encrypted laptop. He then threw the laptop right before the fourth princess.

"The best journalists working for the biggest newspaper company in Walsh got their hands on these photos.

"Of course, the ministry of internal affairs also has them.

"The moment we got the photos, we spent quite a lot of money and flexed our power to stop this scandal from spreading.

"One of the journalists said that the person who provided the photos would reveal the biggest scandal on Monday.

"That's tomorrow!"

The fourth princess picked up the laptop with a horrible look on her face.

"B\*stard!" she exclaimed.

"That b\*stard!"

The photos were obviously taken from video footage. There were three photos in total, clearly showing a person kneeling on the ground.

Nobody knew who the person was since the face was censored...

But the clothes and accessories clearly revealed the person's identity as royalty of The Empire.

If this were to be brought out to light, this would be a devastating scandal for The Empire. This was precisely why Marquis Dunkirk showed up at that moment.

While the fourth princess was having a major headache, her phone violently rang.

She instinctively answered the call.

"Well, hello there, Fourth Princess."

The calm tone from the other side of the phone made the fourth princess grit her teeth in rage.

"Harvey York!"

The fourth princess was on the verge of breaking a tooth.

'Did this b\*stard call just to show off?!'

"You're the one who gave these photos so you can screw with me, right?!"

Harvey York chuckled.

"That's right. How are the angles? You like them?"

"You're naive! Even if the scandal's exposed, you'll only tarnish my name at most!

"There's nothing you can even do to hurt me!

"You're an adult, Harvey! You're an upperclassman! Don't you think you're being a little ridiculous doing something like this?"

The fourth princess coldly chuckled.

Harvey seemed powerless to her at this moment. She already took action against his wife...

But, not only did he not take his revenge, all he did was release some stupid scandal!

This was just shameless!

"Hurt you? Why should I? Are you even worthy?"

Harvey calmly smiled.

"Besides, what's the point of killing you off anyway?

"I might just go against The Empire's entire royal family if I do something like that.

"Victoria will probably come for me to settle the score.

"That's why I have no intention to touch you.

"But, I feel pretty agitated if I don't kill you off. After all, you took action against my wife.

"That's why I can only torture your heart instead.

"Tomorrow, footage of the noble fourth princess kneeling will be spread throughout all social media.

"Don't you worry. I prepared a lot of different versions for this special occasion. With the ghostwriters' help, I'll ensure that the footage stays viral for an entire month.

"When that happens, no matter how you want to rise to power...

"I can guarantee you that this scandal alone will haunt you for your entire life. You'll lose every single opportunity that comes your way.

"You're already done for.

"A princess who kneeled can no longer become the queen ..."

'I'll be haunted by the scandal?!

'I can't rise to power?!

'He even got ghostwriters?!

'The scandal will be viral for an entire month?!'

The fourth princess gritted her teeth before speaking gently, "Sir York..."

"What? Are you going to beg?" replied Harvey calmly.

The expression of the fourth princess suddenly changed.

"F\*ck you..."

Harvey was showing a disdainful look on his face.

"Forget it. I don't even like you.

"Besides, I have dignity.

"I don't like being someone else's third wheel."

Bang!

"You goddamn b\*stard!"

The fourth princess furiously smashed the phone as she jumped around in anger. She wanted to slap Harvey through the internet so badly.

The knights of the ministry of internal affairs frowned after seeing the fourth princess' attitude. To the ministry, this was terrible behavior.

Marquis Dunkirk coldly glared at the fourth princess until she calmed down before showing a warm smile. "Fourth Princess, the person who provided the photos must've called you, right?

"The duke told me this.

"He doesn't care why you kneeled, nor does he care about the person who forced you to do such a thing.

"He asked me here to tell you one thing.

"If the scandal actually shows up in public, and the footage goes viral...

"The royal family and the ministry of internal affairs will sign a contract determining that you are indeed not of royal blood.

"Simply put, if you can't fix this soon, you will no longer be the fourth successor of the throne."

Marquis Dunkirk smiled.

"I'm sure the dozens of successors after you will be happy to hear that."

The fourth princess immediately calmed down after seeing Marquis Dunkirk leave.

She knew full well...

That she had no choice other than to kill off Vince York.

If not, Harvey York would definitely not let her off the hook.

She had no choice other than to accept her fate.

Without a second thought, the fourth princess took a deep breath and waved her hand at the secretary, who was slapped in the face.

"Send word to Harvey. Tell him to let Jason Leo and the others go.

"I'll give him a fair statement.

"I do hope to God that he keeps his word..."

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Las Vegas, at the Mordu Casino-Palace.

Harvey was in the study, looking at the mess sitting on the table.

Queenie York walked in with a warm smile at this moment.

"The fourth princess sent word, telling us to let go of the people you're holding hostage and the elites my father took down.

"She said she's going to do as you said.

"And that she hopes that you keep your end of the bargain."

Harvey chuckled.

"Looks like our dear fourth princess has no intention of giving up even at this point."

Queenie frowned.

"What do you mean by that?"

"The fourth princess' main goal is to help Jason make a comeback and get Hong Kong and Las Vegas to rely on The Empire once again," reasoned Harvey calmly.

"Jason alone cannot achieve all this.

"After all, someone has to hold the fort after conquering it.

"Simply put, other than Jason, the fourth princess has a lot of spies planted around Hong Kong. Most of them are from wealthy families too.

"She's still trying to bargain with me at such a crucial time because she has another trick up her sleeve.

"If Vince is killed off, she would definitely throw us under

the bus.

"After all, the people who would kill him are our hostages. We won't be able to get out of the situation after that."

Queenie lightly nodded. The fourth princess was quite a formidable person to think of something like that at such a critical time.

Ordinary people would surely be no match for her.

"Ignore her requests. Tell her people to do whatever they want.

"Tell them the same thing. Once Vince dies, Jason lives.

"Her punishment for Mordu's incident will arrive on Monday.

"There's no room for bargain.

"After all, she has no right."

"Right. I'll tell them right now."

Queenie lightly nodded.

"There's no rush. We're not the ones in a hurry anyway. Let's have lunch first."

Queenie immediately accepted Harvey's invitation. After all, it was the blockhead's first time being so straightforward.

She pondered the situation for a while and asked, "Do

you really think that the fourth princess alone can kill off Vince?"

"It doesn't really matter in the long run," Harvey replied.

"I want The Empire's royal family to completely go against the Yorks of Hong Kong.

"If I don't do that, some people will keep backstabbing each other while pretending to remain neutral.

"It's good to make an example out of them, right?

"I have to leave Hong Kong and Las Vegas soon. I'll help you clean up some trouble while I can before you take up your throne.

"How are you planning to thank me for all this?"

Queenie showed a warm smile.

"I'll give you my body..."

"Please don't..."

Harvey's eyes twitched uncontrollably.

"Did that b\*stard really say that?

"He won't let them go?!"

The fourth princess held her porcelain teacup tightly, trying her best not to smash it on the ground.

"That's right," said the secretary cautiously.

"What should we do now, Fourth Princess? Should we round up our forces?

"It's already way past lunchtime. We'll be in trouble if we don't make arrangements now."

The fourth princess took a deep breath.

"Maybe we should use Jason Leo's plan B now," she whispered.

The secretary froze.

"Plan B's been constantly refined. If we need to, we can use it whenever we want."

"But that plan's for Hong Kong and Las Vegas' upper social circle in case they try to fight back. It might be a bit of an overkill if we use it now."

"You know nothing.

"If we can't deal with the situation right now, it'll be

useless even if we make plans A to Z."

The fourth princess took a deep breath before dialing a number on her phone.

"Hello? Young Lord York?

"I'd like to talk to you about Jason's rescue in person."

On the other side of the phone, Vince was laying on his couch cheerfully.

"Ah. The noble Fourth Princess.

"You must've forgotten about an important detail. That b \*stard shot me in the Mordu Casino-Palace. I almost died because of it.

"You want me to save him even before I settle scores with him?

"Are you f\*cking kidding me?"

After Vince said that, he swiftly made a few gestures to the people around him.

The technicians who were working twenty-four seven immediately went to do their work. Some were tapping into the fourth princess' phone while others were tracking her current location.

Soon enough, a few inconspicuous vehicles came to the fourth princess' place. After deploying a few drones, the cars then drove off quietly.

Obviously, Vince had anticipated receiving the fourth princess' call.

After keeping quiet for a moment, the fourth princess then quietly said, "We're all adults here, Vince. You should know that there are no eternal enemies, only constant benefits.

"You should know what's been happening to me for the past couple of days. Safe to say I've been backed into a corner by that b\*stard, Harvey York."

"If this continues, I can only stop him from releasing the scandal by killing you off.

"But even so, I know it'll be tough to deal with you. I won't be that stupid to go against you at such a crucial time. No matter what happens, none of us will benefit from the situation."

Vince burst out laughing.

"Interesting. I didn't think that you'd be this straightforward. You'll definitely have a chance to rise in the future.

"If that's the case, let's cut right to the chase.

"What do I get if we save Jason?"

The fourth princess took a deep breath.

"Number one, I'll support you all the way and make sure you take the position as the head of the Yorks of Hong

#### Kong.

"Number two, I'll cooperate with you to kill off Harvey.

"And number three, I'll tell Jason to bury the hatchet between the two of you.

"Simply put, no matter the status, influence, strength, and friendship...

"You'll be completely unparalleled in Hong Kong and Las Vegas."