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The Lindberg Family of Brimmopolis?

Peter Lindberg!?

Many people at the scene became dumbfounded.

The Lindberg family of Brimmopolis was an exceptionally prominent household.

They had many talented members of the family who were involved in business, politics and even the military.

Peter Lindberg was the most brilliant in his generation and stood a chance of being named the successor of the Lindberg family.

Nathan had certainly heard of this household.

Nevertheless, he gazed at Peter in confusion. Why is he looking for me? I've never had anything to do with the Lindberg family.

"I came looking for you for only one

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reason!" Peter exclaimed haughtily.

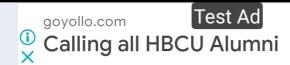
Nathan creased his brows. "Which is?"

"My family requests that you change your last name to Lindberg!"

Everyone was instantly horrified. There's a saying: a true man never changes his last name. But now, this man is asking Nathan to do it? That's too much!

Nathan's gaze darkened. "What do you mean?"

"Your mother, Angela Lindberg, happens to be my aunt. Didn't she ever tell you?" Peter said arrogantly. "She used to be part of the Lindberg family, but she chose to marry your dad. As a result, a huge fight broke out among the family and she was cut off. We stopped contacting each other for two to three decades! But our matriarch recently began to think of your mother. She was truly saddened to hear that your mother had passed on after being kicked out by Zayn Cross. She says that since you're the son of Angela Lindberg, you are



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also part of the Lindberg. You don't have to carry Cross as your last name."

Nathan smiled coldly. "I've never heard my mother talk about her relationship with the Lindberg family. Besides, when she and I got kicked out of the Cross household and ended up on the streets, none of you ever lent us a hand. To me, your family is even more ruthless than my father. At least my old man eventually realized his mistakes. You can f*ck off. I won't change my last name, nor will I ever fawn over the Lindberg family."

Peter's eyes instantly widened.

Does he not know how powerful the Lindberg family of Brimmopolis is?

Does he not know how proud others are to be connected with us?

The resources my family provides is enough to last a person a lifetime.

Yet, this man is turning down our request and choosing to keep his last name?

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"This isn't an opportunity you could ever ask for, Nathan. Don't regret it," Peter remarked frostily.

Nathan scoffed, "That's funny. My mother had severed her ties with the Lindberg's since long ago. You watched her die from illness and never once helped her, but now, you're here asking me to be part of your family. What's with that?"

"As the saying goes, a lady never marries a tramp. Your mother's marriage to your father was the most embarrassing thing that could ever happen to the Lindberg family. Both your parents are dead now, but you still have the Lindberg's blood running through your veins. We can't just stand by and watch you remain as a Cross. You have to change your last name, and your daughter has to be a Lindberg too!"

Nathan snorted, "And if I refuse?"

Peter gave Nathan an icy glance before smirking. "No one gets to say no to whatever the Lindberg family asks for. You're no exception. I heard you've

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offended the Holt family of Brimmopolis. Ben Holt has announced that he's going to go after your family. If you change your last name, you'll be under the Lindberg household's protection. The Holt's will never dare lay a finger on you. But if you insist on keeping your last name as Cross, you and your family shall await the Holt's revenge!"

Hearing that, Nathan responded indifferently, "Thanks for your concern. I won't change my last name, nor will I need the Lindberg's to protect me. As for Ben Holt, he'll get on his knees and personally apologize to me tonight."

Peter couldn't help but laugh. "The Holt family is a prominent household in Brimmopolis. They may not be as powerful as the Lindberg's, but you can't afford to piss them off, Nathan. The fact that you can brag about Ben Holt coming over to beg for your mercy is hilarious! Will he bow before you and apologize, or will you come crying for our help after getting beaten up by the Holt's? I'd like to see what happens next!."

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Peter didn't believe that Ben would go down on his knees and beg Nathan for mercy.

The former firmly believed that Nathan would be the one at Ben's mercy instead. Ultimately, Nathan would have to beg the Lindberg Family for help.

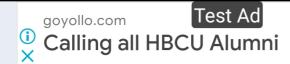
That was why Peter left proudly with his subordinates after saying his piece.

Everyone had an odd expression on their faces after Peter left.

Some could not understand why Nathan would reject the offer and the opportunity to be a part of the powerful Lindberg family.

Many were worried for Nathan too, especially Penny and Grace.

They knew Nathan was the one who beat Gerard to a pulp. So naturally, when they heard that Ben was here to avenge his son, they were worried.



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After all, just as Peter put it, The Holt's of Brimmopolis were powerful figures to be reckoned with.

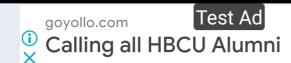
Nathan could see the worried look in Penny's eyes. He simply grinned and assured, "Relax. It's just the Holt's from Brimmopolis. I've said that Ben will be here tonight to apologize for their mistake, and so he will."

Penny grinned helplessly in response.

She thought that Nathan had merely said it in the heat of the moment in an attempt to bluff Peter. It doesn't matter if Ben apologizes or not. Nathan would be lucky if Ben doesn't come to seek revenge.

Deep down, Penny and the others were troubled by their thoughts, however, they put on a brave smile and continued with their celebration in the restaurant.

Nathan got Colin to a corner side and whispered, "I don't think the Logan's nor my maternal grandmother whom I have never met would want to acknowledge me



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as part of their family out of the blue. This is really suspicious. Go look into this matter and find out what is the Lindberg Family up to."

"Understood," Colin replied politely then he set out to complete his task.

Colin returned an hour later and approached Nathan.

Colin reported, "I've looked into the matter. Recently, The Lindberg family is working closely with a chief in Africa. They invested in a series of projects, including mining for oil and diamonds. This is their first project together hence there is lack of trust for each other. That is why they agreed to exchange hostage."

Nathan frowned, "What do you mean by exchanging hostage?"

Colin clarified, "To put it simply, they will hold one of each other's family member as a hostage. The chief would send his grandson to the Lindberg Family as a hostage. Similarly, the Lindberg's has to

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send a family member to Africa to act as a hostage. That way, if either party goes back on their words, their heirs would be killed."

Nathan frowned and asked, "So what does that have to do with me?"

Colin replied, "By acknowledging you and your daughter as a member of the Lindberg's, they could then send your daughter in as a hostage."

Boom!

Nathan's fierce gaze shot towards Colin, who lowered his head immediately as beads of cold sweats formed on his forehead.

Nathan asked, "Is this confirmed?"

Colin replied, "I've verified the claims, and it is definitely true."

Nathan scoffed, "No wonder the Lindberg Family reached out to me even though they have disowned my mother decades



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ago. They didn't even pay their respect when my mother passed away. Yet, they want to take me in to the family after all these years. The Lindberg's are all born with a silver spoon so of course, none of them would be willing to be held as hostage in Africa. But how dare they mull over sending my daughter?"

Nathan decided then and there that if those devils dared to lay a finger on them, he would make the Lindberg Family pay a hefty price for it.



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The night had fallen, and the lights were on.

Nathan, Penny, Grace, some executives of Cross Group, and some researchers from Hope Research Centre were having a meal with Terrell.

Everyone was having fun when the restaurant owner, Ross suddenly barged in and informed anxiously, "Mr. Cross, something terrible happened. The leader of the Holt Family is here."

Ross knew that Nathan and Gerard had a fight and thought that Ben was here to hurt Nathan. As such, he was worried sick.

Penny and Grace too were nervous upon hearing that, because they thought that Ben was there to cause trouble.

Nathan and Terrell, on the other hand, remained calm. They exchanged gaze and grinned.

Nathan informed calmly, "He is finally here. Let him in." Chapter 1113 Beg Nathan For Forgiveness

Ross couldn't help but suggest, "Mr. Cross, should we call the police now? What if..."

Nathan laughed and replied, "There are no ifs. Also, why are you calling the police for no reason? You'd be wasting police resources. Just let Ben in."

Ross thought, Dang, you are brave. Ben is here to seek vengeance, yet you look as cool as a cucumber. I can't deal with the aftermath if anything were to happen to you, you know?

Despite the thought, there was nothing Ross could do. He simply informed the others to let Ben in.

Penny, Grace and the others were surprised to see that things didn't go as they thought it would.

Ben didn't walk in with a bunch of subordinates. In fact, he only had two people with him.

Moreover, Ben looked uncertain and scared instead of furious.



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What the hell? What's going on?

Penny, Grace and the others were perplexed at the sight.

What made them drop their jaw was when Ben and his two subordinates rushed over and knelt in front of Nathan.

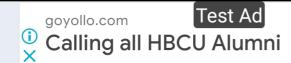
Everyone stared in astonishment.

Ben was on his knee and trembling with tears rolling down his cheeks. "Mr. Cross, I was wrong. I didn't know who you really are. If I had known your true identity, I would never have come to bother you, even if someone had pointed a gun at my head."

It was true.

If Ben had known that Nathan was actually the General of the North and the mythical God of War, he would not dare to find fault with Nathan even if someone had placed a knife by his throat.

When Ben first learned that Nathan was



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the General of the North, the former was scared to death.

Acting under Nathan's instruction, Ben had come to kowtow to Nathan and pleaded for his forgiveness personally.

Ben's words, however, got everyone else curious.

What did he mean when he said that he didn't know who Nathan really was? Does Nathan have another identity?

That was when everyone recalled the words of Peter Lindberg when he had dropped by earlier.

It suddenly dawned on them that Nathan's identity as part of the Lindberg family of Brimmopolis was the reason why Ben behaved subserviently to Nathan. That explains Ben's terrified reaction.

Nathan stared at Ben coldly and instructed, "Apologize to Terrell, my wife and Professor Hampton!"

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Ben didn't dare to object as he did as ordered.

Penny and the others forgave Ben.

After that, Ben turned to Nathan and waited for the latter to speak up.

Nathan replied coolly, "I will let you go this time since my wife and the others forgave you. Scram!"

Ben was relieved and thanked Nathan before he and his two subordinates ran like they were fleeing from the battlefield.

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Meanwhile, Peter was in a hotel room not too far from the restaurant where Nathan and the others were dining.

He was adjusting his suit in front of the mirror as he asked his subordinates, "Any news from Nathan?"

The subordinate had a weird expression on when he replied, "Yes. Ben has just left

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the restaurant after seeing Nathan."

Peter asked in amusement, "What's the situation? Did Nathan get beat up badly? He's about to call me to ask for my help, isn't he?"

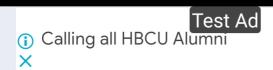
The subordinate shook his head and replied softly, "Nathan is fine. Ben went over to get down on his knees and beg Nathan for his forgiveness."

What?

Peter was flabbergasted, and he turned to his subordinate, "What did you just say?"

The subordinate lowered his voice, "Peter was there to beg for Nathan's forgiveness. He even said that if he knew who Nathan really was, he would never dare to trouble Nathan."

Peter thought about it for a while before he scoffed, "Nathan is truly shameless. Didn't the rascal say that he doesn't want to be associated with the Lindberg's? I bet he must have used his affiliation with



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Lindberg to scare Ben into begging for his forgiveness! Let's go and talk this out with Nathan."



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Back in the restaurant, Nathan, Terrell and the others continued enjoying their meals after Ben left.

A commotion was heard from outside the room as Peter showed up with a bunch subordinates. His voice could be heard roaring, "Get that shameless Nathan Cross to come see me right now!"

Colin and the Elite Eight blocked Peter's path.

Colin informed, "Our master is having his meal, and you are not allowed to enter."

Peter sneered upon hearing that, "Pfft! As if Nathan still dares to eat when I am already here. Get him to come receive me right away."

Colin and the Elite Eight turned furious upon hearing what Peter said. They were on the verge of getting into a fight with Peter's subordinates when Nathan, Penny, Grace, Terrell and the others exited the room.



Nathan turned grouchy when he saw Peter and the others. "You again! Haven't I made it clear that I will not change my surname and will never be a part of your family? Why are you still here?"

Peter insulted, "You are so shameless, Nathan Cross."

Nathan frowned, "What is that supposed to mean?"

Peter scoffed, "You said that you won't join us, yet you used our family name to scare Ben. You got him so frightened that he went down on his knees and begged for forgiveness. Is that not shameless?"

Nathan refuted, "Who said that Ben had gotten on his knees and apologized to me simply because of the Lindberg Family? Dang, you Lindberg's are so full of yourself."

"Damn you, how dare you deny it? If you hadn't used our name, why would he get so terrified that he went down on his knees?" barked Peter angrily.



Nathan replied cruelly, "I don't need to explain myself to you."

What?

Peter's eyes bulged in surprise when he heard what Nathan said.

No one had ever been so disrespectful towards Peter before.

He couldn't help but sneer and ordered, "Invincible Monk!"

A muscular monk showed up beside Peter Lindberg soon after.

The monk was earily strong in his robe. He appeared calm and peaceful, but the huge, black birthmark on his face looked terrifying.

His eyes shone with a strange glow.

He was an adept fighter hired by the Lindberg Family.

The monk put the palms of his hands



together and bowed slightly as he asked, "Master, what is your request?"

Peter pointed at Nathan and said, "This man is being rude to me. I want you to teach him a lesson!"

The Invincible Monk replied, "Understood."

Upon saying that, he zipped to Nathan at an incredible speed.

Everyone was shocked.

The Invincible Monk grinned gleefully as he placed his hand on Nathan's shoulder. The former had a menacing smile on when he said, "My master told you to get on your knee, punk!"

As the Invincible Monk spoke, he applied pressure on Nathan's shoulder with his hands to get the latter to kneel.

However, the Invincible Monk was flabbergasted. He had already used fifty percent of his strength, but Nathan didn't even budge. Huh? What's going on?



Under normal circumstances, even a cow would be forced onto the ground.

Why isn't this man budging? The Invincible Monk's grin faltered as he thought about it.

With all his might, his hand pushed harder on Nathan's shoulder as he growled, "I told you to kneel!"

The Invincible Monk's neck had turned red, and veins had shown up on the back of his hand. The strength he used on Nathan was enough to crack a boulder.

However, the Invincible Monk was surprised to see that Nathan was like a mountain and was not budging.

The Invincible Monk's irises dilated in surprise. His heart stirred, and the only thing he could think of was, How is this possible?

Nathan glared at the Invincible Monk as if the latter was a clown. After that, Nathan asked, "Are you done playing?"



Playing? The Invincible Monk was flabbergasted.

He hadn't even gathered his thoughts before Nathan's leg struck him as quick as a lightning.

Slam!

The force of the kick was so strong that it sent the Invincible Monk flying off the ground.

The Invincible Monk was seen curling up into a ball as he wailed.

Peter was stunned.

So were his subordinates.

And the several hundred spectators on site.



Nathan shrugged as he stared at the Invincible Monk with a blank expression. The latter's internal organs and bones must have been crushed. In fact, The Invincible Monk appeared barely alive at that point.

One kick from Nathan was enough to injure the Invincible Monk gravely. While Peter was still in a daze, Nathan had already walked up to him. The latter instructed coldly, "I don't like your prideful face either, so get down on your knees!"

After saying that, Nathan kicked Peter's knee.

The sharp pain on Peter's knee got him to fall onto the floor. Peter was kneeling in front of Nathan at the very next second.

Peter sounded cruel when he said, "Nathan Cross, how dare you do this to me? I will kill you..."

Nathan didn't bother waiting for Peter to finish speaking. The former simply held his hand up and slapped the latter across his



face a few times.

That got Peter's face to bloat, and he bled from his mouth.

Peter looked up and met Nathan's eyes. Nathan's sharp gaze prompted Peter to shiver in fear.

"Master!"

"Let go of our master!"

The Lindberg's subordinates rushed over furiously.

Unfortunately, they couldn't even get close to Nathan before Colin and the Elite Eight stopped them.

Bang! Slap! Smack!

It only took Colin and the Elite Eight a few seconds to knock the others out.

Peter glared at Nathan. "H-how dare you disregard the Lindberg Family of Brimmopolis?"



Nathan retorted cruelly, "Right. Your family and power mean nothing to me."

"Go back and tell your Matriarch that my mother has already cut all ties with your lot. None of you helped her when she was at her lowest point, so don't bother looking for me now. Also, I will give you guys one last warning. Don't even think about coming after my daughter or I will annihilate your entire family."

Annihilate the Lindberg Family!

Peter wasn't the only one who looked surprised.

Penny, Grace and the others gasped too.

The Lindberg Family was so powerful and influential in the entire nation.

Yet, Nathan had said that he would annihilate them if he was upset.

That was way too arrogant.

Peter glared at Nathan and replied through



gritted teeth, "Oh, I will definitely send your message to the Matriarch. When the Matriarch is angry and descends her fury on you, I pray that you will still be as arrogant as you are right now."

Nathan simply replied, "You may f*ck off now."

Peter left with his subordinates soon after.

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Back in the Lindberg family home in Brimmopolis, an elderly woman with silver hair was sitting on her mahogany arm chair. She was holding a walking cane with a dragon's head carved on the handle.

Her children and grandchildren were standing in front of her.

The servants and subordinates of the family were on standby as well.

"Is Angela's son, Nathan, really that arrogant? Not only did he injure Peter, but he also claimed that he would annihilate



our family if we bothered him again?"

Peter's father and the Matriarch's eldest son, Hugh, replied, "Yes. Peter told me everything in person, so there is no mistake, mom."

The Matriarch remained quiet for a few moments before she said, "Peter might have made a mistake and caused some misunderstanding. That, in turn, messed things up."

"Hugh!"

"Yes, mother?" answered Hugh instantly.

The Matriarch instructed, "Go to Horton in person and talk to Nathan. Ask him to change his surname and be a part of the family, and tell him that this is a once-in-alifetime opportunity. If he agrees to do so, we will share some of our resources with his company, the Cross Group. That should help make the company the top of its industry, which is something that would take him at least thirty years to accomplish. In return, he must have his

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daughter go to Africa as a hostage."

Hugh replied, "Understood!"



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On the next day, Hugh brought a bunch of his subordinates and traveled to Horton.

Peter had a few subordinates with him to the Horton Airport to welcome his father.

When Hugh saw the bruises on his son's face and learned that Nathan had hurt Peter, Hugh became furious.

Back then, my elder sister insisted on marrying that assh*le, Zayn. and gave birth to this bastard. Time to teach this child some manners. That was what Hugh thought about Nathan at that moment.

Peter couldn't contain his excitement when he saw his father there with a bunch of subordinates. "Dad, did the Matriarch send you over to beat Nathan up and avenge me?"

Hugh looked grouchy as he scolded, "Peter, how many times do I have to tell you to conceal your true feelings so that no one could read your mind? We only had one simple task for you, that is to get Nathan to change his surname. Yet, you



managed to screw it up."

Peter looked angry as he protested, "Dad, Nathan Cross is so shameless and sneaky. On one hand, he used our family name to scare the crap out of his enemy, then he turned around and refused to accept us. He even beat me up..."

Hugh interrupted, "I don't want to listen to all your excuses!"

Peter lowered his head down and murmured, "Understood."

Hugh then informed, "The Matriarch asked me to go talk to Nathan in person. Where is he right now?"

Peter replied swiftly, "At the hotel. Cross Group recently booked the entire floor to host an event for the launching of special meds. He even invited several celebrities as guests to promote his product."

Hugh raised his brows and commented, "Those who obey us will thrive and those who go against us will die. If Nathan



changes his surname and joins us, his company will grow exponentially, but if he doesn't, his company will be headed for downfall."

Hugh took his son and his subordinate to the hotel immediately.

In the meantime, Nathan, Penny, and Grace were leading the company's employees and making the final preparation for the launching.

Tomorrow would be the company's big day as they would unveil the new products. Many celebrities would show up to support the company, and many media outlets would be sending their reporters over to share the news.

Penny would make sure an important event as such would run smoothly.

It was at this moment, a dozen of men showed up all of a sudden.

They split into two lines to make way for the man in the black tuxedo, Hugh



Lindberg, who looked powerful. Peter and the others were there with him.

One of the subordinates quickly got a chair for Hugh.

Hugh sat down politely before he straightened his sleeves and turned to Nathan and the others. When he saw Nathan there, Hugh said, "So you're Nathan, the kid my sister gave birth to after she married Zayn?"

When Hugh saw Nathan frowning a little, Hugh grinned gracefully and said, "I forgot to introduce myself. I am Hugh Lindberg, the eldest son of the Lindberg family and your mother's baby brother. Peter, the one whom you have beaten up, is my son."

"You may call me uncle or Mr. Lindberg."

Nathan asked calmly, "All I care about is why you're here. Are you here to avenge your son?"



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"Avenge?" repeated Hugh before his lips curled into a menacing smile.

Hugh turned to his son and instructed, "Come here, Peter."

Peter walked forward and looked a little confused as he asked, "What is it, dad?"

Hugh grinned as he ordered, "Lower your head a little."

Peter was still confused, but he did as his father asked and bent down.

That was when Hugh grabbed his son's collar and punched his own son hard across his face.

Hugh punched Peter over and over again until the latter was bleeding.

Everyone was stunned at the sight. Even Nathan couldn't help but frown at that.

After hitting his son, Hugh barked, "Move aside!"

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Peter was still bleeding when two of the Lindberg's subordinates helped Peter away.

Hugh then accepted a white handkerchief from one of his bodyguards. He wiped the blood off of his hands as he narrowed his eyes at Nathan.

In a grim voice, Hugh informed, "I heard about how my son offended you, and that is my apology to you. Still, there is something you should know. I am the only one allowed to teach my son a lesson. Same goes for the rest of the Lindberg Family; They can only be punished by our own family members. Understand?"

Penny, Grace, the other top executives of the company, and even the employees of the hotel were frightened.

Hugh's actions came across as oppressive to the others. His words also got everyone trembling.

Nathan, however, remained calm. He chuckled and commented, "If the

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Lindberg's could keep their own dogs on their leashes, then the others won't need to teach those dogs a lesson. Anyway, let's cut to the chase, Mr. Lindberg. What are you here for?"

Hugh seemed a little surprised when he looked at Nathan. Everyone else had been frightened by his aura, but Nathan remained unmoved.

That got Hugh somewhat impressed.

A graceful smile lit up on Hugh's face once more before he said, "Okay, then I won't make any small talks. I am here to send a message from the Matriarch."

"Our Matriarch, your grandmother, told you to treasure this rare opportunity to come onboard the Lindberg's. Abandon that surname of yours that brought us shame, and become a part of our family. We can provide you with enough resources that could help you instantly achieve what would've taken you over thirty years to accomplish."

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Nathan scoffed, "That's nice."

Hugh nodded. "Naturally, that comes with a price. Recently, our family is working with a chief in Africa, and those projects include mining for diamonds, oil, and other resources. We need to send a young member of our family to Africa to be held as hostage. We want your daughter, Queenie, to go as a member of our family."

A hostage in Africa? Penny held Nathan's arm instinctively and her voice was trembling when she said, "Hubby, we can't agree to their terms. It's fine if we take a few more decades to build our company. We cannot sacrifice our daughter's life or happiness for our careers!"

Nathan held Penny's hand and gestured her not to worry.

After that, he turned to Hugh and replied coldly, "I will say this one last time. I will not change my surname. Also, my daughter is the most precious thing on Earth. As compared to her, your kinship are nothing to me but farts. Your family needs



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to send someone in as a hostage? Then pick any one of your useless heirs. Don't drag my daughter into this mess. This will be my last warning to you!"

Hugh stood up and adjusted his tie after Nathan rejected his offer. Then, he smiled and said, "You will accept the gifts our family offer, regardless of whether you want it or not. Your daughter will also be a hostage, even if you disagree to it. No one can reject us, and that includes you. I will give you three days to think it over. I believe you will be begging to change your surname and asking us to take your daughter as a hostage by then."

After saying his piece, Hugh left with his son and his subordinates.



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Wait! I Have Something to Say!



The next day, something horrible happened to the Cross Group.

Nathan and Penny had just finished eating breakfast when Penny's assistant, Jenny, came rushing in. Jenny was anxious as she reported, "Something horrible has happened."

"What is it?" asked Penny immediately.

Jenny replied anxiously, "We don't know why, but the celebrities we invited to our event had cancelled at the last minute. They said that they were too busy to participate."

Penny was shocked to hear that. "How could they go back on their words like that? We can sue them for it!"

Jenny looked like she was about to cry when she said, "That is the least important thing now. The thing is, now that the celebrities are no longer coming, how will we host the event today?"

Penny instructed immediately, "Call the

media companies right away and have their managers get us some celebrities. Anyone, even internet celebrities, will do."

Jenny grinned bitterly and informed, "I've already done that, but the moment they hear our company's name, they rejected our offer. A few of them even hung up instantly."

"Huh? What is up with them? Why did they suddenly reject working with us?" asked Penny as her eyes bulged.

Nathan suggested calmly, "The media companies would not reject opportunities to make money. I'm guessing the Lindberg's had done something about it. Given their power, it would be easy for them to convince the celebrities to back out of our event. Moreover, if the Lindberg's had asked the media company to stop working with us, it is likely that those companies would be too afraid to say otherwise."

Penny was furious when she said, "The Lindberg's are such assh*les. Do they



really think that they can force us to cooperate just like that?"

Penny had just finished speaking when the general manager of the company, Peggy appeared at the door. Her voice trembled as she said, "Something terrible had happened."

"What's wrong, Peggy?" asked Penny.

Peggy was sweating when she reported, "I just received calls from the media outlets, including the TV stations and newspaper outlets. Everyone claimed that their reporters would not be able to attend our event."

Boom!

Peggy's words were like a lightning strike in Penny's mind.

Without the celebrities, the event would simply become less grand, but if the reporters didn't show up, the event would be meaningless.



Penny was angry when she demanded, "Where the hell are the reporters going if they aren't coming to our event?"

Peggy looked troubled when she reported softly, "I got the news that they were reassigned to another hotel to do another interview about how the Lindberg's of Brimmopolis would be investing in Horton. It seemed that they are constructing a new building. The celebrities who claimed that they were too busy to come to our event were actually going to that event as well."

Penny was stunned. She later grinned exasperatedly. "The Lindberg's of Brimmopolis really are against us. We are too weak to go against them, so we'll have to endure it."

"Peggy, Jenny, spread the news and tell everyone that our company's event will be postponed to next month."

Peggy and Jenny hadn't had a chance to speak before Nathan chuckled and said, "Why should we endure it? Moreover, why should we postpone everything by a



month? A lot of cancer patients are waiting for us to sell our medicine to save their lives."



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Penny was flabbergasted upon hearing that.

She couldn't help blurting, "But the Lindberg's are going against us. We don't have any celebrities and the reporters won't be coming. How are we going to host the event under these circumstances?"

Nathan grinned and informed, "I will handle the celebrities and the reporters. You girls don't need to worry about anything. Just have our people get ready. Everything will go on as scheduled."

Penny's eyes bulged. She sounded worried when she said, "Nathan, the Lindberg's are messing with us, and no celebrity would risk offending the Lindberg's, so they won't come to our event. Moreover, the media outlets would not come in fear of the Lindberg's, so how can you get any reporters?"

Nathan grinned, "I have my ways. Spread the news. The Cross Group's event will take place at twelve o'clock as scheduled."



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Penny hesitated. If we fail, we would be the laughingstock of the Lindberg Family as well as the rest of the business community.

Nathan stared at Penny. He grinned while teasing, "What is it? Don't you trust me, honey?"

Penny looked into Nathan's eyes and saw the determination and faith in them. She finally nodded. "Alright, it'd be embarrassing if we mess up, but with you here, I am not scared."

Nathan smiled and promised, "Don't worry, I won't mess it up, and I definitely won't embarrass you, my sweet honey."

Penny brought Peggy and Jenny to the site where the event will be hosted.

Grace, Terrell, a few top managers of Cross Group, and the employees of the hotel gathered around.

They asked, "President Smith, we heard that the celebrities and the reporters won't



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be coming. We can't host the event like that, so should we cancel it?"

Penny held her hand up to have everyone quiet down. After that, she announced, "Don't worry. The celebrities and the reporters will be here, and everything will go on as scheduled."

"Everybody hurry. We have a lot of reputable guests coming, and the reporters will be here soon. We can't afford to mess things up."

Everyone was suspicious about it, but they listened to Penny's instructions.

At the same time, Nathan called Colin and instructed, "Colin, I need you to do something urgent right away."

At this moment, the hotel where the Lindberg Family's event would take place was crowded with guests from the upper-class.

Inside the luxurious and decorated hall of the hotel, many elites of Horton and



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renowned celebrities were there. A bunch of reporters were also crowding the place up.

Hugh was surrounded and appeased by the elites, the reporters and the celebrities.

Hugh had a glass of champagne with him when he scoffed at the people standing in front of him. He later turned to his son and asked, "How are things at Cross Group's event? Is it so empty that they could no longer host their event?"

Peter replied, "No."

Hugh looked surprised. "The celebrities won't be going, and the reports can't go either. So how will their event go on?"

Peter reported, "I just received the news that Penny Smith has informed everyone that the event would go as planned. I also heard rumors that Nathan will be hiring a celebrity even more famous than ours, as well as reporters from a more credible outlet."



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Hugh's grin faltered. "The credible news outlets in the area are all here. I've even made the calls in person. Which media outlets within these two states are stupid enough to send their reporters over?"

Peter scoffed, "Guess we'll be laughing at Nathan Cross soon enough."



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Hugh held his wine glass as he grinned. "It's not enough that we laugh at those two. We should get the public to do the same."

Peter's eyes glowed upon hearing that. "Dad, what are you planning?"

Hugh sneered, "Nathan doesn't have any celebrity guests or reporters, right? We'll send the tabloids over to ask Nathan and Penny about their embarrassing past. After that, we will publish all that shameful information and get everyone to mock them."

Peter said gleefully, "I heard that Nathan was chased out of his family a few years back and was utterly disheveled. Also, Nathan got drunk and slept with Penny, which got her pregnant before they got married. Who would've thought that they'd end up together in the end? If the tabloid share all those embarrassing past, the news would most definitely spread all over the state. It should be enough to put Nathan and Penny in an awkward position."



Hugh scoffed, "That is exactly what I want. I want to humiliate them, and I want them to know how powerful our family is. If Nathan does not comply, I will destroy him bit by bit until there is nothing left!"

After saying that, Hugh instructed Peter, "Send the tabloids over to their company's event immediately. I want them to humiliate Nathan and Penny."

"Understood," replied Peter.

At the hotel where Cross Group's event would take place, the employees were busy preparing for the event.

Time trickled by. Hours had passed, and it was soon eleven-thirty.

However, the vast hall remained empty. Cross Group's top executives and the hotel's employees were the only ones there. No celebrity guests or reporters showed up, and that made the place look eerie.

Penny was in her formal outfit as she



paced back and forth nervously.

She murmured anxiously, "Why isn't he here yet? The event will take place in half an hour, and Nathan promised that the celebrities and the reporters would be here. Why isn't anyone here yet?"

Grace, Peggy, Jenny, and the others had their heads down as they stood behind Penny. They looked disappointed.

Everyone thought that the event would be a total failure with no one showing up.

Penny was wrecked when she suddenly heard someone calling out from outside, "The guests are here!"

They're here!

Penny's face shone with delight, and Peggy and the others instantly became excited.

They had guests!

Are these the guests that Nathan was

talking about?

Penny and the others walked out soon after. All they saw was a middle-aged man in a black tuxedo with a bunch of his welldressed subordinates walking in.

That middle-aged man was Hugh.

Hugh's son, Peter, was not the only person standing behind Peter. Other elites and powerful figures from Horton were there too.

Penny froze.

Everyone else was ecstatic a moment ago, but their mood had since taken a sharp turn. They were surprised and angry as they stared at Hugh and the others.

Penny's face darkened as she asked coldly, "What are you guys doing here?"

Hugh grinned, but he never said a word. Peter, however, mocked, "We heard about how Cross Group is having an event, but no celebrities or reporters bothered



showing up. We thought we'd be nice and drop by for your sake. You're not going to chase away kind-hearted men like us, are you?"

Penny knew that the Lindberg's were there to make fun of them. Her beautiful face turned grouchy, and she was so angry that she was about to have the security guards chase them away.

However, Nathan had brought Colin and the Elite Eight over at that moment.



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