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## In Love, Never Say Never Chapter 1723

Chapter 1723 Apology From Benson

That morning, John's body temperature turned extremely high probably due to complications after the surgery. The medical staff panicked. They tried numerous methods and eventually used hormone injections to get the temperature under control.

Looking at John's pale face, I felt my heart crushed by a heavy stone. After making sure John was asleep, I walked out of the ward to catch some air.

It was quieter over here compared to the general ward. There were a few family members of some patients around, all looking depressed just like me.

The news broadcast in the hall could be heard clearly.

"There have been many cases of missing and kidnapped children today. At present, the police are making every effort to investigate suspicious persons. Please get in touch with the task force immediately if you have relevant information..."

It seemed like the safety of the whole city was at risk. Somehow, I felt I was not suffering alone.

Fortunately, regardless of Ashton's plan, it was clear to me now that he would not risk the kids. Or else, Nathaniel would have gone after Audrey and Gregory instead of John.

Deep down in my heart, I knew Nathaniel was trying to crush my spirit by going after John.

He figured he could manipulate me easily once my mental state was down. He was trying to control me like what he did to Ashton.

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Is Ashton entirely controlled by him now?

I was too overwhelmed with emotions back in the operating theater. Now that I thought of it, Ashton did not need to show up, actually.

I realized that Ashton was trying to remind me to be careful. All his coldness might be a disguise of his care for me.

Without realizing it, I had reached the corridor of the general ward. Before I turned around, I spotted Joseph coming out of a ward.

I was stunned momentarily. The next second, I recalled Wilson was being hospitalized there.

Could it be...

When I was about to open my mouth to call him, he vanished from the stairs. With that, I had no choice but to drop the matter.

After getting back to the ward, I ran into the cops who were there for investigation. As John was still unconscious, they asked me to give a brief statement.

Based on their tone, I realized that only the black men who got apprehended would face justice. There was no way they could get to the real culprit.

After the cops left, Benson suddenly appeared at the nearest emergency exit. He was wearing a robe and an army cap.

We exchanged our gaze to greet each other, and he seemed to know what happened to John.

I asked him to sit down at the bench. "John has not woken up yet. Please wait here. Sorry for the inconvenience."

"Okay." Benson cast a glance inside the ward. "Luckily, he is still alive. Ms. Stovall, don't worry too much."

Those words sounded extraordinarily warm coming out from Benson's mouth.

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"Thanks." I bit my lip, trying to suppress my tears. "Officer Zimmerman, you didn't come here just to visit, did you?"

I knew a military seldom had any private time. Plus, my relationship with Benson was hardly close enough for a leader like him to visit me personally. With that, I knew his purpose must be something more.

"I can't say this is about work either." Benson was being utterly honest. "Ms. Stovall, you hoped to get the military protection from us, and our superior had agreed to it. However, we can't expose our men easily, so we can only monitor far away from the Fuller residence. I didn't expect those men to be so sick that they even dared to make a move right outside your gate. It's our fault for not being able to protect your family. Thus, I came here to apologize."

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### Chapter 1724 Real Purpose

I did not know how to react to his apology. They did not owe us anything, and they had even agreed to protect us as a tactic to gain our trust. In other words, it was just business. Now that they failed to protect us, they would not be able to make any request either.

Despite that, I still expressed my dissatisfaction. "If your men opened fire in the last few seconds, John would still have his arm."

Benson did not seem to be bothered by my statement. "The black man did not have any weapon, and he did not harm the victim's life. According to the law, we can't open fire."

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That was the part I hated the most about the military. They were always bound by the rules. I feigned a smile. "I understand. You're also in a tight spot."

Benson did not respond to me as he shifted his gaze elsewhere.

After a while, he finally cut to the chase. "Ms. Stovall, do you know about Ashton Fuller's recent activity?"

As Benson was in charge of the drug enforcement at the border, I understood his purpose right away.

It looked like Nathaniel had led Ashton astray far beyond the trade of counterfeit money.

Ashton had caught the military's attention right after he started doing business. It seemed like he could not hide the traces in whatever he did.

No wonder he's been addressing me as Ms. Stovall but not Mrs. Fuller. He's been trying to draw the line with me.

I adjusted my posture to make myself look more relaxed. "I didn't notice much. He's been busy with the company, and he's been flying overseas a lot. Why?"

Upon saying that, I sensed a sharp gaze coming from Benson.

I swallowed and bit my lip, trying hard to hide my nervousness.

The few seconds felt like a century. To my relief, Benson eventually turned his head elsewhere.

"Since it's business, please remind Mr. Fuller not to get too greedy. The profit of the foreign business is indeed high, but the risk is equally high. It's not worth it to lose the entire enterprise for a small profit." Evidently, there was a hidden meaning within his words.

I continued to act dumb. "He is always too confident with himself and thinks that he can handle everything himself, but he always makes mistakes. After the crisis ends, I will go back to the company and manage it. Nonetheless, earning foreign currency is indeed a good

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way to profit. However, it is more important to contribute and help to boost the country's economy. I understand that."

I figured it was typical for companies that do foreign business to go under the radar. After all, the government would not wish to see resources going to the other countries. If one were able to prove its patriotism, the officials usually would not nitpick the company. I thought it was appropriate for us to express our stand.

Benson nodded slightly. "No wonder Mr. Louis thinks so highly of you. You're such a wise woman with a wide vision."

So he only approves me because of Uncle Louis.

Anyway, things went smoother than I expected. After all, I found it hard to accept what Ashton was doing either. "You're very generous with your praises."

Benson stood up and got ready to leave. "Say hello to Mr. Louis for me then. I still have something to do at the office. I shall go now."

"Sure." I stood up to escort him out. "Have a great day."

After seeing him entering the elevator, I immediately texted Joseph.

Where are you? Call me now!

There was no response from Joseph. Emma showed up instead.

John's incident got to the news headline. Even though his name was not revealed, Emma managed to find out what happened after asking around. With that, she rushed to the hospital.

Initially, I planned to inform Emma after John recovered from his fever. I did not want her to worry too much. As she barged in suddenly, I stood up immediately, dumbfounded.

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