

## **Bogus Billionaire by Shining Riviera ( Caroline Evans )**

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#### **Chapter 421**

Caroline felt like someone who had run away **to** avoid the complicated world. She didn't want **to**

think about the hardships caused by the trivial disputes of life.

Seeing that she didn't resist, **Kirk** finally had the courage to lead her back to the hotel.

The two quietly stepped on the snow coating the street. **They** walked **on** the short road for over

half an hour.

After entering the hotel, Caroline felt the warm temperature hit her face. As if she had returned to

reality, she snapped out of her trance and jerked her hand away from Kirk.

Gwen, Sean, and Adrian, who were waiting in the lobby, came over when they saw them.

Gwen grabbed Caroline and glanced at Kirk. She asked, "Are you okay, Caroline?"

"I'm fine." Caroline looked down at the floor.

"Let's go upstairs."

"Okay."

Gwen dragged Caroline away, leaving the three men behind in the lobby.

Adrian looked at Sean and asked, "Dr. Yates, can I talk to your friend privately?" He had just

learned from Gwen that Sean was a famed genius doctor

Sean glanced at Kirk worriedly before slowly walking to the door. He picked the right spot to wait.

From there, he could see everything going on in the lobby while giving them enough privacy.

Adrian was silent for a moment before saying, "You're the luckiest man in the world."

Kirk returned Adrian's gaze. "I know."

"Then, why did you hurt Caroline?" Adrian's chest heaved in anger.

A hint of guilt appeared in Kirk's eyes, and his anger diminished slightly. He pursed his lips and

didn't defend himself.

Adrian became even more angry after seeing Kirk like this. He wanted to find his flaws and focus

on them to convince himself that he wasn't worthy of Caroline.

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However, seeing how **Kirk** was now, there was no **way** he could do that.

He thought of the fighting champion **who** had a crush on Caroline, and he somewhat understood

**why** that man had given **up**.

Adrian asked, "**Aren't you** going to defend **yourself**?"

"I did make a **mistake**, and I'll **work** hard to make up for the pain I've caused Caroline."

Kirk looked at Adrian earnestly. "But **if you** want me to give up on her, I won't. Over my dead body."

Adrian's **body** swayed slightly at his words.

After a long while, he smiled sadly. "When Caroline went after you, I should have accepted that I

had lost. But..."

He raised his head with a bright smile. "I won't give up. After I finish handling things in Macdo, I

want to fight you for her heart. Fair and square."

Kirk simply stared at him, remaining silent.

Adrian felt bitterness welling up in his chest. He seemed to notice the disdain in Kirk's eyes.

However, he would prove to him that he had what it took, sooner or later! Kirk was just luckier

than him. But when it came to measuring capabilities, luck was nothing but a gimmicky tool.

If Adrian could get a contract with SY Group, he would rise through the ranks in Sorkin Group and

even in Easton, despite being an illegitimate son.

When that happened, he would make Kirk understand the meaning of regret.

The two men silently looked at each other challengingly.

At this moment, Adrian's assistant came over, dragging the suitcase. "Mr. Sorkin, the plane will be

taking off in an hour. It's time for us to leave."

Adrian looked at Kirk one last time before turning around to leave.

When he reached the door, he stopped and turned back to ask, "I still don't know your name. Since

we're going to be rivals, you should at least tell me your name, right?"

Kirk looked back at him and said, "You'll find out eventually."

Adrian frowned. He thought Kirk didn't say anything because he was his love rival, so he didn't

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### **+15 BONUS**

He smiled brightly. "You'd better **treat** Caroline well. Otherwise, you'll be doomed when I return!"

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After Adrian left, Sean walked back to Kirk's side. "I didn't expect Mr. Sorkin to be so fond of

Caroline."

Kirk looked at Sean coldly.

Feeling a chill on his back, Sean quickly changed the subject. "What's going on with you and

Caroline? I saw you two holding hands and coming back together. Have you reconciled?"

Kirk glared at Sean again. Only then did Sean realize that he had said something stupid.

If he learned that his partner was polygamous, he wouldn't be able to forgive them unless there

was a misunderstanding like Kirk's.

But since Kirk couldn't tell Caroline the truth, she had no idea that there was a misunderstanding.

“But you don’t have to worry.” With a smile, Sean lightened the gloomy atmosphere and hooked

his arm around Kirk’s shoulder.

“I talked to Gwen when you were out looking for Caroline. It turns out they’re here in Macovo to

find proof that Gwen is innocent. But since neither of them speak Macovian, they’re having

trouble with the language barrier.”

He

paused, then continued, “So I took the initiative and volunteered us to be their translators

tomorrow. How about it? I’m a good friend, aren’t I? I’m still considering your feelings at the most

crucial moments.”

Kirk mercilessly exposed his intentions. “You want to be with Gwen, right?”

“Don’t you want to be with Caroline?”

Kirk silently turned around and walked to the elevator.

Sean followed him. He asked, “Are **you** going or not?”

Kirk glanced at him. Only then did Sean realize that he had asked another stupid question.

He sighed. He was so happy that he had gotten lost in his own world.

The next day, Caroline learned that two translators would be joining them. It didn’t take much

effort for her to figure out that they were Sean and Kirk.

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“I’m **sorry**, Carol.” Gwen held her head, regretting that she hadn’t resisted Sean’s relentless

pursuits. “Sean said a lot of nice things **to** me back then. You know me. I lose my rationality when

I **see** a handsome **face**.

“**By the time I** realized it, I was already nodding to everything he said. How about this? I’ll tell them they’re not coming with us when we meet them later.”

Caroline asked, “Can you guarantee you won’t be charmed by Kirk and Sean?”

Gwen went silent at her words.

“They’re here just for us, and they’ll follow us wherever we go. So, there’s no point in saying anything. Besides, we do need someone to be our translator. So we can make good use of them.”

“You have a point. We’ll just treat them as tools! Besides, I got involved in this misunderstanding because Sean was with me. 1

“So why should we work ourselves rugged while he sits back and enjoys the show?” For a

moment, Gwen had the idea of ruining Sean.

After a while, Sean and Kirk arrived.

Caroline glanced over at Kirk from the corner of her eye. Since she hadn’t taken a good look at him

for a while, she felt like he had lost weight. Then, she forced herself to look away.

Meanwhile, Gwen had already begun her plans to work Sean to the bone.

She directed him to move all their things to the car and then asked him to drive. Sean obeyed her

orders patiently, without any complaints.

When they got into the car, Gwen and Caroline sat in the back seat.

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Sean helplessly looked at Kirk in the passenger seat. However, Kirk was in a good mood. The corners of his lips curved into a small smile.

Following yesterday's route, the two of them started visiting each house. With translators like Sean and Kirk around, they did better than yesterday.

Caroline finally had the opportunity to introduce the items she had brought from Easton, and Macovo's residents could have a better understanding of the things she was giving them.

This approach undoubtedly increased the residents' trust in the four of them. And sure enough, they began opening up to them.

Several people said they were at the skating rink that day and saw that girl falling by herself.

Since she had made too much noise and was an outsider, they remembered her as clear as day.

They even offered to help record a video to prove Gwen's innocence if necessary, which was an

unexpected surprise.

Although they were only witnesses, they could at least prove that Mia's side of the story was false.

Then, if Sean came forward and said that his girlfriend at the time was Gwen, it would greatly reduce Mia's credibility.

Gwen had never thought of letting Sean admit that she was his girlfriend. She had never given

him the chance either.

After Mia had shown up, Gwen had been afraid that she could become like her mother or Mia,

someone who would become the worst person for the sake of love. Therefore, she had sent a

breakup text to Sean.

Thinking about it now, Gwen felt somewhat amused by her actions.

“What are you smiling about?” Sean asked as he drove, noticing Gwen smiling in the rearview

mirror.

Gwen immediately stopped smiling. She glanced at Caroline, who was sleeping next to her, and

whispered, “Nothing.”

“Kirk is also asleep.”

“What are you talking about?” Gwen hissed, looking at Sean warily.

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Sean gently looked at Gwen in the rearview mirror. “I’m saying we can take this opportunity to talk. After all, it’s still an hour’s drive to the next house.”

“That’s pretty far.” Gwen looked at the snowy roads outside the window. It was clear she was avoiding Sean’s topic.

“Gwen, I think we need to talk.”

“What is there to talk about?” Gwen leaned against the window.

“We’ve known each other for so long. After knowing about my relationship history, you should know that this is how I am. I’m fickle in relationships.”

“I don’t think so.”

Sean analyzed calmly, saying, “I think you’re afraid of being in a relationship because you’re afraid of losing it.”

When Sean hit the nail on the head, she said meekly, “Since you’re so good at analyzing people, why don’t you become a psychologist?”



Sean replied seamlessly, "Because I only want to be yours."

Gwen let down her guard slightly, and she looked out the window uneasily. "Things aren't that

simple. Relationships are like nails."

"Nails?"

"That's right. Haven't you heard of this analogy? When a nail gets hammered into a wooden board,

even if it gets removed, it'll still leave a scar on the wood.

"Growing up, my parents were either talking about divorce or fighting. Do you think someone like

me can have happiness?"

Sean was about to speak when he heard Gwen's faint voice.

"Actually, I dreamed of being with someone too. After all, who wouldn't want to live in bliss with

someone?

"But after seeing Carol in so much pain, I gave up. If even someone as brave as Caroline isn't

happy, do I deserve to be happy? I might as well be alone!"

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## **Chapter 424**

The car became pindrop silent for a moment.

Sean braced himself several times before saying, "Kirk has his reasons for having multiple marriages."

"Reasons?"

Gwen sneered, “Did someone hold him at gunpoint and force him to get married? My dad loves using that word. Every time my mom caught him cheating on her, he would say he had his reasons for doing so.

“He would say that he slept with other women for the sake of his company, or he didn’t know what came over him.

“But I could tell he enjoyed being with other women, so why couldn’t he say that? Couldn’t he own up to his mistakes?” Gwen became more and more agitated as she talked, completely forgetting that she was in the car.

The noise woke Caroline up. She slowly opened her eyes and looked at Gwen in confusion. “Gwen ...

Caroline’s voice brought Gwen back to her senses, and she forced a smile. “I’m sorry, Carol. I was being too loud.”

“Did something happen?” Caroline rubbed her eyes.

“We ...”

“It’s nothing. We were just discussing something, and we got a bit too loud.”

Sean helped Gwen explain, “You can keep sleeping if you want. We still need more than an hour to

reach our destination.”

Caroline felt relieved after hearing Sean’s words. She closed her eyes and fell asleep again after a

while.

Meanwhile, Kirk wasn’t sleeping in the passenger seat at all. He simply kept his eyes closed and

pretended to sleep.

He had listened to every word of Gwen and Sean’s conversation, and he agreed with Gwen’s

## +15 BONUS

However, he would never let the scars of **the** nail remain on that wooden board forever. He would find the ideal way to smooth out the remaining scars in Caroline's heart without harming her.

An hour later, the car arrived at the last house.

The man of the last household was a doctor who had traveled to many cities when he had been young.

He immediately showed great interest when he learned that Caroline and her companions were from Easton.

Gwen asked discreetly, "Why weren't we treated so well when we came here last time?"

Sean looked at the dazzling array of regional specialties placed on the table.

"Maybe it's because we didn't bring gifts like Caroline, or my accent wasn't as good as Kirk's. Maybe it's both."

Gwen couldn't hear the difference between how Sean and Kirk spoke Macovian. However, looking at the male head's different attitude toward Kirk, she could tell that Sean was right.

She said, "Putting aside everything, when I look at Caroline and Kirk, I feel they're a match made

in heaven."

Sean remained silent.

"And they have so much chemistry." The more Gwen commented, the more upset she became.

She then shut her mouth, not wanting to lose her composure while she was in someone else's

home.

At this moment, a woman walked in. She whispered something to the man. It made him stand up

excitedly, and his face turned red

After listening to their conversation, Sean looked at Gwen excitedly.

Gwen had no idea what was going on. "What's wrong?"

"They took a video on the day they went ice skating. Maybe they had captured Mia's falling too."

Gwen didn't dare to have high hopes. "Really?"

## **Chapter 425**

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As the man watched Caroline leave, he asked with a smile, "Did you have a fight with your wife?"

Kirk nodded slightly.

"Quarrels can actually improve a spouse's relationship."

He explained with a smile, "My wife and I understand each other better every time we fight."

This was Kirk's first time hearing such an argument, and he grimaced.

"Even if quarreling improves our relationship, I don't want to fight with my wife.

"Because every time we fight, it would cause a wound in my wife's heart, and every time we reconcile, it would leave a scar in her heart."

The man was stunned by his words. Then, he said nonchalantly, "You're right. From now on, I have

to avoid fighting with my wife."

After Caroline walked out of the study, she saw two children fighting over an Ultraman action figure.

When she had first looked at the family's information, it said the family had two children, a boy and a girl. So she had bought an action figure and a doll for them.

However, she discovered the information was wrong when she came to their house. Both children were boys.

The two boys went to a foreign school so they could speak fluent English. However, they struggled

to speak Macovian. So they simply used English when they quarreled.

"Give it to me! You're my older brother, so you have to be kind to me!"

"You're the younger brother, so you must respect me."

Caroline watched them silently.

The two children, about seven or eight years old, started fighting after a while.

Caroline looked around, but no one showed up to stop them. They were probably used to the

children being noisy.

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**However**, the **two boys fought** haphazardly. The older brother almost scratched his younger

brother's **eyes** out.

The sight scared Caroline, and she yelled, "Stop!"

The two **boys** looked up at Caroline, startled.

The children's bright gazes made Caroline calm down immediately.

Taking a deep breath, she knelt and said kindly, "You guys are brothers. So you should be getting

along, right?"

"But he wants to steal my toy!" The two children said in unison.

Caroline asked, "Do you know how many brothers Ultraman has?"

The boys shook their heads in confusion. Caroline told the two children about Ultraman's family

based on what she remembered.

The two children listened to her with interest, completely forgetting about their fight.

After she was done, Caroline made her point. "So you see, Ultraman has so many brothers, and

they've always fought to protect the world, not for toys. Right?"

The two children nodded in understanding.

Caroline didn't know how much the two children understood, but at least she managed to stop a

fight between them.

She stood up, feeling a sense of accomplishment. When she looked up, she saw Kirk, who had

shown up at some point.

As he stood against the light, his body was covered in a bright light, making him look

otherworldly.

When he walked toward her, Caroline could clearly see the endearing smile on his face, and her

heart pounded uncontrollably at the sight.

As he got closer and closer, he became the only thing in Caroline's view.

She swallowed. She wanted

to escape, but her legs remained rooted to the spot.

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Kirk had already come to a stop in front of her. He raised his hand and patted Caroline's head as if rewarding a well-behaved child.

Then, he turned to the two children and said, "Do you remember what Ms. Caroline said?"

Although Kirk was smiling, he was still intimidating. The two children nodded timidly.

Kirk said, "That's good. Go ahead and play outside."

The two children immediately dashed outside.

Caroline also wanted to run, but she couldn't move her legs. Besides, she was ashamed that she was so attached to Kirk's touch. She thought she was really nuts. If she wasn't in Macovo, she would really ask Kirk for a divorce.

If this continued, she doubted she could keep resisting Kirk's influence. She kept telling herself that polygamy was wrong. It was wrong!

"Darling ..." Kirk brushed away Caroline's hair.

"That was a nice speech. You're also good at handling children. It proves that your previous worries were unnecessary."

"Don't touch me." Caroline took a big step back. She became more frightened by the gentleness in

Kirk's voice.

Kirk said resignedly, "Okay, but can you not run off like you did before?"

That day, he had gone to give Caroline breakfast, only to find that she was gone. He had lost his

composure immediately and ordered Charles to find her within five minutes.

After finding out that Caroline was in Macovo, he had immediately organized a private flight.

However, before leaving, he had been notified that the weather in Macovo was abnormal and they

couldn't fly a plane.

He had almost strangled the pilot to death back then. If Sean hadn't stopped him ...

Thinking of this, Kirk's lips curled into a bitter smile. He had always been a very rational person,

except when it came to Caroline. She was more important to him than his own life.

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Caroline said, "I am no longer obligated to explain things to **you.**"



“Give me some time, and I’ll give **you** an explanation.”

Caroline was puzzled. “What’s there to explain? Everything is as clear as day. You have another wife in MacI do.

“Kirk, do you think I’m as gullible as a child? Do you think things will be solved as long as you give me some candy to coax me?”

“No, listen to me...”

“I’ve heard enough.” Caroline stepped back to avoid Kirk.

“If you had a reasonable explanation, you would have told me by now. Since you haven’t...”

Before Caroline could finish, Gwen rushed out of the room and hugged Caroline.

“Carol, I love you so much! They really got a video of Mia falling. It’s a good thing you brought me here again.

“Otherwise, I would’ve had to suffer the accusations in silence and regret this for the rest of my life!” She was so excited that she couldn’t speak coherently anymore.

Hearing that Gwen had found the proof she needed, Caroline felt very happy for her. “Can you let me see it?”

“Of course.”

Gwen clicked on the video’s copy and showed it to Caroline. “Look ...”

Caroline looked at the video.

The video had been taken at the skating rink behind the hotel.

As the camera shook, Gwen and Mia finally appeared in the video. Although they passed by very briefly, Caroline could clearly see that Gwen and Mia had no contact at all. Mia had fallen by

herself.

“This is great!” After watching the video, she was sincerely happy for her friend.

“We can finally clear your name with this video.”

“That’s right!” Gwen hugged Caroline, crying tears of joy.

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By the time Caroline recovered, half an hour had already passed.

Everyone else was waiting in the dining room, not daring to make a sound. They silently watched

**Kirk**, who had been by Caroline’s side the whole time.

Angelo wiped his tears and said in Macovian, “How touching.”

Gwen secretly asked Sean what Angelo had said. After getting an answer, she couldn’t help

grimacing.

“Touching? What’s touching about this?

If a man really loves a woman, he should keep himself in

check.”

Angelo was confused. “But that gentleman seems to really like that lady. This is the love I’ve always wanted.

“The reason why I haven’t gotten married despite having many girlfriends is because I don’t have

someone who makes me feel the emotion of love.”

Gwen’s expression was dark. But she had to admit that even though she knew the inside story,

she often felt like Kirk loved Caroline.

“It was precisely because of this that she was even more upset. She didn’t understand men at all.

If he loved her so much, why had he gotten married to someone else?

Even if he had gotten married before he met Caroline, he could just get a divorce if he wanted to be

with her.

He wanted Caroline, yet he didn’t want to end his other marriage. Things like this didn’t make sense.

He couldn’t have it both ways!

“Let’s go.” Caroline had already sat up on the couch. Her voice was still weak.

She had to let Kirk help her up. A smile appeared on her pale face when she passed by the host.”

I’m sorry to bother you.”

The man and woman hurriedly waved their hands and walked the four of them to the door.

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After Kirk placed Caroline in the car, he walked **to the** driver’s seat and said to Sean, “I forgot something. Wait for me.”

Sean

knew Kirk **very** well. He knew he wanted to ask Angelo what had happened, so he nodded in agreement. “**Go** ahead!”

After saying that, he glanced at Caroline, who was leaning against the window and looking out with empty eyes.

Deep down, he couldn't help but wonder who Dolly was and why she had had such an impact on Caroline.

Five minutes later, Kirk walked out of the house with an indifferent expression.

Sean couldn't figure out what his friend was thinking, but he didn't plan to ask any questions. So he started the car and drove toward the hotel.

About three hours later, they finally returned to the hotel. As soon as the car stopped, Kirk had already unbuckled his seat belt and gotten out of the car. He opened the back door.

Then, ignoring Caroline's protests and Gwen's disapproving gaze, he picked up Caroline and strode into the hotel.

Caroline struggled a few times at first, but she didn't have enough strength. So she simply let Kirk carry her into the elevator.

The incident with Dolly had affected her a lot. She didn't have a single ounce of strength right

now.

“Let's go.”

Sean cocked his head and teased Gwen, saying, “Or do you want me to carry you out of the car too?”

When Gwen heard his words, she glared at him. “What's Kirk going to do with Caroline?”

Sean shrugged. “I don't know.”

Gwen tried to get out of the car, but Sean grabbed her wrist.

His familiar touch caused goosebumps on Gwen's arm. She wanted to jerk her hand away, but he held her wrist tighter, as if on purpose.

He looked at her earnestly. "You can't follow them. Let them solve their own problems."

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### +15 BONUS

"I know that you'll be on Caroline's side as her friend. But I must tell **you** this—Kirk's issues are

complicated. It can't be explained in one or two sentences.

**"You'll** only make things more complicated if you get involved. Besides—"

Sean looked straight at Gwen.

His piercing gaze made Gwen's heart pound uncontrollably, and she stammered, "**B**—Besides what?

"

"Do **you** think Kirk will hurt Caroline?" Sean smiled gently.

Gwen pursed her lips. As she looked at his sincere gaze, she couldn't go against his will.

The temperature on her cheeks slowly rose. Worried about being seen through, she impatiently

shook off Sean's hand.

"Okay, I got it. I won't get involved. You never stop nagging. I shouldn't call you Dr. Yates anymore.

I'll call you Grandma Yates instead."

Sean wasn't annoyed by her nickname at all. Instead, he grinned. "You can call me whatever you

want, as long as you enjoy it."

After a pause, he continued, "But only you can call me that."

His exclusive claim

tugged at Gwen's feelings. She felt the warmth on her cheek and tried to

ignore her heart, which was about to leap out of her throat.

"You're a smart guy. But this trick won't work on just anyone." With that, she jerked her hand

away from Sean and got out of the car.

Sean was silent. After a while, he realized Gwen had taken his words as flirting. But in truth, he

had been speaking from the bottom of his heart.

He shook his head with a sigh. Everyone was right. Being in love was difficult.

Kirk carried Caroline into his room. This room was the same presidential suite he had booked last

time.

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As Caroline lay on

the familiar bed, she felt like time had flown. Back then, she had gotten the message from the mysterious woman right here in this room.

"Here. Drink some water." Kirk helped Caroline up.

He held the cup and slowly fed Caroline

sips of water. He watched her gently, without any trace of impatience in his eyes.

After she drank the water, Kirk asked again, "Do you want to eat anything? I'll get the chefs to make them for you."

Caroline silently looked up at Kirk. After a long while, she said, "Don't you have anything to ask me?"

Acting as if nothing had happened, Kirk said calmly, "You can talk whenever you're ready."

Caroline looked at Kirk blankly. He didn't avoid the topic, and he didn't look like he was lying.

"I'll ask someone to bring some food over. What do you want to eat?" Kirk caressed Caroline's forehead.

"Don't you want to know what happened?"

Caroline didn't feel comfortable about Kirk not asking her anything. It felt as if something was stuck in her chest.

"Everyone has their secrets. Even though we're husband and wife, we're still our own person."

Caroline closed her eyes. "Is it because you have a secret that you're not asking me anything?"

Although she knew Kirk wasn't someone like that, she couldn't help but think about him this way.

It was as if this was the only way to bring him down to her level.

Kirk said with a smile, "Perhaps."

His good temper and refusal to defend himself angered Caroline. She turned over and sat up from the bed, grabbing Kirk's collar

"But I don't accept that! I want to ask you everything! Why does that document say you have a wife

abroad? Tell me, Kirk!"

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Kirk's gaze remained soft. He gently caressed Caroline's trembling body as if comforting a child.

He said patiently, "I'll explain things to you, but please give me some time, okay?"

He would think of the perfect way to solve this so his actions wouldn't leave a scar in Caroline's heart like a nail.

Caroline slowly let go of Kirk's collar. Tears kept rolling down her cheeks. She held her face in her hands and sobbed.

It was as if she wanted to let out all the heartache and grievances she had suffered during this time.

"How can you be so cruel, Kirk? Do you know how I've lived during this time?"

"Why can't you just tell me the truth? Either you tell me you don't have a wife in another country, or you do.

"It doesn't matter which answer you give! It's much better than the vague answer you're giving

now!"

Kirk's heart ached as he watched Caroline's shoulders shake with her sobs.

He had to use every bit of his willpower to restrain his emotions and not tell Caroline the truth.

He could definitely find the perfect way to solve this. He could perfectly explain why he was legally married without revealing his identity.

He dug his clenched fist into the mattress, and the bandaged wound opened up again, staining the gauze red. However, he didn't seem to notice it. He stretched out his hand and hugged Caroline tightly.



Caroline's tears stained his clothes, and their warmth burned his heart.

In the end, Caroline almost passed out from crying. She exhausted the last bit of her strength from crying so much. She laid weakly on the bed, looking at the ceiling and listening to the busy

sounds in the kitchen.

That used to be her favorite sound. Yet now, it upset her. She forced herself not to think about it.

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She was here in Macovo to relax. She had to be happy and not think of anything upsetting!

Her mantra finally had an effect when she smelled the aroma of food wafting from the dining table. Caroline was indeed hungry.

She wouldn't upset her stomach because she was upset with someone. She got out of bed, picked up a spoon, and started eating.

The food satisfied her taste buds as she ate. She hadn't enjoyed eating for a long time. It was a familiar feeling and a scary thing to get used to. At this thought, Caroline slowed down her chewing

"Actually, I didn't investigate your marital status solely because of Dolly. A mysterious person sent me a message saying you have a wife abroad." Caroline lowered her head and scooped up some risotto.

She didn't say that the mysterious person was Kirk's other wife. She still remembered the woman telling her that she couldn't tell Kirk about this.

Otherwise, Kirk would harm her. Whether it was true or not, Caroline still chose to keep her identity a secret.

"Do you know who the mysterious person is?" Kirk asked.

Caroline shook her head. "I don't."

After a pause, she added, “Angelo said Dolly was acting. So she had probably wanted me to see

the fight between the two women and a man.”

Otherwise, it couldn't be such a coincidence that she had met Dolly while going to the ski slopes

that day. (1)

Kirk pondered for a moment. “You don't have to think too much into it. I'll have someone

investigate this.”

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