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"Blood Blade Killer Organization absolutely forbids this. It is considered as betrayal." he continued.

"Moreover, this will tarnish our image, lose the trust of employers, and destroy the reputation of Blood Blade that we have worked hard to build up over all these years."

"Therefore, we must properly handle the current situation. This is not only about solving the problem, but we must also be very serious in this, and give a clear resolution to this matter. We must let our peers see the determination and strength of the Blood Blade Killer Organization!"

"Only in doing so, can we restore the reputation of our organization."

Hearing this, everyone looked at the elder with a serious face.

The elder ordered, "Kenny, Davina. Go to China, kill Fade Chen and solve this matter."

"Yes!" Kenny nodded excitedly.

"Why am I..." Davina said reluctantly.

The elder said, "Because, among us, only the two of you are East Asian. If you enter China, you won't attract too much suspicion. It will be too conspicuous for others."

Indeed, among the nine people present, Kenny and Davina were the only two people who looked purely East Asian. The rest of

them were either Caucasian or Southeast Asian. If they entered China, their appearances would be too eye-catching and it would be hindering them from keeping a low profile.

- Hearing this, Davina could only nod and say, "Yes, boss. I will finish the mission and kill Fade."
- The elder said, "Kenny and you are the best killers in our organization. I am not worried about your ability. But one thing you have to keep in mind is, this is not just a simple assassination."
- "The purpose of this mission is to restore the reputation of Blood Blade Killer Organization. Therefore, you can't simply assassinate Fade. Instead, you need to find a way to kill him in clear view of the professionals, and preferably at a major event in public."
- "Only by doing so, can we prove our strength and determination to our peers. Do you understand?"
- Davina frowned and protested, "We have to kill him publicly? That's troublesome!"
- The elder said, "Assassination will make no difference, it can't prove that we're the ones who did it. We won't achieve our goal that way."
- Kenny said, "If we can't assassinate him, that's easy. I will challenge Fade and kill him in public."
- Hearing this, Davina sneered and said, "Are you a fool? Will China allow you to challenge Fade and kill him in public? There's also the Stealth Team in our way."
- "If we can't openly challenge him, what should we do?" Kenny was confused.
- Davina said, "Fool, we can use the local forces in China! You know, they're not very united."

- "How?" Kenny asked.
- "You-" Davina was about to reply.
- The elder waved his hand to stop their argument and said, "Discuss the specifics amongst yourselves. After you've decided, report it to me. Don't argue here. It's settled. Let's end this meeting."
- "Yes, boss." The crowd answered, and then stood up and left.
- At the same time, Fade Chen, who was in Dragonville, had no idea that someone had begun to plan for his demise.
- Right now, he was busy with Daphne Tao and Mr. Tu.
- Although Ephedra Syrup had cushioned the shortage of Alstom Antibiotic in Dragonville, their production capacity was still limited, and there was still a critical shortage of antibiotics in other areas. Therefore, the production of Ephedra Syrup had to be increased substantially.
- Moreover, Fade's fame as a doctor had risen along with the launch of Ephedra Syrup. It led to the development of Chinese medicine industry in Dragonville.
- In front of the Tu Medicine Center, there were more people compared to before, and the line was longer than ever.
- There were even patients who blocked the entrance of the company every day to ask Fade for medical help.
- In the beginning, Fade diagnosed them and gave them prescriptions. However, as the effects of the syrup became widely known, more and more people came and blocked the entrance, which affected the daily operations of the company.
- Several times, Fade and the staff came out to persuade the people, but the patients were determined to congest at the front of

the company.

Seeing this, Quin Lin urged Fade to come up with a solution within three days. Otherwise, Quin would fire him from the company and chase him out.

- Fade was dispirited. He could only complain to Xenia Xu in the company's medical room, "Xenia, what do you think I should do if I get fired?"
- Xenia rolled her eyes at him and said, "Dr. Chen, President Lin is your wife. Why are you afraid of being fired? Even if you don't do anything, with President Lin around, you can still live well!"
- When Fade heard this, he put on a serious look and said, "Xenia, I didn't expect you to have a lazy mindset at such a young age! As a man, I can't be staying home doing nothing and leaching off my wife!"
- "Then why don't you go out to look for a job?" Xenia asked.
- Fade shook his head and said, "No, I don't want to leave Fei Enterprises Holdings Inc."
- "Why? President Lin is your wife. It's the same even if you don't work in the company!" Xenia asked in confusion.
- Fade beamed at Xenia. He poked her forehead gently and said, "Because I won't be able to see you if I leave the company!"
- Xenia blushed. She said, "Dr. Chen, you're joking with me again. What if President Lin hears you?"
- Fade patted his chest and said confidently."So what? I wear the trousers at home. Whatever I say, Quin will—"
- At the moment, Xenia's expression changed suddenly. She sat up straight and said seriously, "President Lin, what brings you here?"

Fade staggered and almost fell from his seat.

He sat hurriedly and explained with a smile, "Honey, I was just kidding. I didn't mean that..."

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However, when Fade turned around, he did not see his wife, Quin, at all.

Confused, he heard a burst of laughter. Xenia was covering her mouth and guffawing non-stop.

Fade realized that Xenia was teasing him.

As a result, Fade pretended to be angry and approached Xenia, saying, "Xenia, how dare you! I'll teach you a lesson!"

"No!" Xenia shouted and ran away in a hurry.

Fade chased after her and said, "No? That's impossible."

"Ah, no!" Xenia kept screaming.

"Don't run away. I'll catch you. I'll spank your *ss mercilessly." Fade shouted.

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For a time, the sound of screaming and laughing could be heard from the medical room.

Suddenly, a figure appeared at the door of the medical room and said, "Manager Chen, you—"

As a result, the other party saw the scene inside and was stunned on the spot.

Fade and Xenia heard the sound and stopped messing around. They looked at the door and found that it was Lily Wei.

When they saw the strange expression on Lily's face, and considering the state of the two of them, they found it hard to explain the situation.

- Xenia was panting slightly. Her face was red and her forehead was beaded with sweat. At the same time, her clothes were dishevelled.
- Fade was even worse. When Lily came in, he was just about to spank Xenia's *ss.
- Lily regained her senses. She turned around and said, "Go on. I'll come back later!"
- Fade's heart skipped a beat. He knew that he was in trouble and rushed out in a hurry. He grabbed Lily's hand and explained, "Sister Lily, you misunderstood. We didn't—"
- Lily said coldly, "Address me by name or position at the company."
- Fade said, "Lily, I was just discussing medical matters with Xenia."
- Xenia straightened up her clothes and rushed over to explain, "Manager Wei, there's nothing between Dr. Chen and I. We didn't do anything. You can check the surveillance camera footage."
- Fade quickly pulled Lily into the medical room. After that, they explained to Lily again, and they finally managed to clear up the misunderstanding.
- Lily looked at them and said, "I don't care about your personal relationship. But in the company, during working hours, you should mind your behavior. Today, you should take this as a warning. If it happens again, I will not let you off easily."
- "Yes, it won't happen again." Fade nodded quickly, but he secretly complained in his heart, "Sister Lily, you said that you don't

care. But you listened to our explanation for so long just now, it doesn't seem that you don't care."

However, it was obvious that Fade would not say these words out loud.

- A smile appeared on his face as he asked Lily, "Sister Lily, what can I do for you?"
- Lily felt better and she did not correct Fade's address. She took out a document and said, "It's about the patients outside."
- "Well, I don't have a solution yet for the time being—" Fade said, feeling embarassed.
- Lily glared at him and said, "I know you can't do anything about it. I've come up with an idea with some professionals. Have a look."
- Then, Lily handed the document to Fade.
- Fade took the document and felt warm in his heart. He thanked Lily and then began to read the document.
- Soon, Fade finished reading the document and said, "Sister Lily, do you mean that I will open a hospital and treat patients?"
- "Yes!" Lily nodded and said, "This is the most convenient way to solve the problem at present."
- "But if I run a hospital, wouldn't I have to sit in the hospital every day for consultations? I can't do that," Fade said.
- Lily rolled her eyes at Fade and said, "You're just lazy."
- "Of course you don't have to see patients every day. You can hire other doctors or train disciples. After training them, you can be free!" Lily said.

Xenia added, "Dr. Chen, you can do it. If you open a hospital, I want to be your apprentice."

"But-" Fade was hesitant.

Lily continued, "If you think a hospital is troublesome, I suggest that you open a clinic and focus on the field of Chinese medicine. After all, you are an expert in this field. Moreover, don't you always complain that there are no successors for Chinese medicine? This will be a good way to promote Chinese medicine."

"Yes, yes, Dr. Chen, this is a good idea." Xenia clapped her hands and cheered.

Fade's eyes sparkled, and he wavered. He was not a selfish person. If someone was really eager to learn from his medical skills to cure diseases and save people, as long as the person had good character, he would definitely be willing to teach them.

Moreover, it had always been Fade and his master's wish to promote Chinese medicine and traditional Chinese culture.

Seeing Fade's persuaded look, Lily said, "If you have any problems, you can consult with Mr. Tu. The Tu Medicine Center is the largest Chinese medicine center in Dragonville. You can learn from them."

Hearing this, Fade no longer hesitated. He nodded and said, "Well, this is a good idea. I will find Mr. Tu now and discuss it with him."

As he spoke, Fade hurried out.

Lily looked at Fade and felt that he was a still little childish. She couldn't help but smile and whispered to herself, "Maybe what I like about him is his attitude towards the promotion of tradition and culture."

Just as Lily was watching Fade leave, Xenia looked at Lily and muttered, "Manager Wei, are you okay? You are gawking at Dr. Chen. Do you have feelings—"

Xenia did not dare to continue, and she quickly covered her mouth. However, she studied Lily with curious eyes.

Upon hearing this, Lily looked panicked. She did not want to reveal her feelings for Fade. After all, Fade and Quin were husband and wife.

She got up in a hurry, coughed and said, "No, it's impossible. Stop speculating and get back to work. I still have things to do. I'll be taking my leave now."

With this, Lily got up and left quickly.

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Fade met up Mr. Tu and explained his idea of opening a clinic. Mr. Tu was delighted. He did not view it as a potential competitor, but rather, he supported the idea with much enthusiasm.

- After a round of discussion, the plan quickly came into fruition.
- Just as Lily suggested, Fade would open a Chinese medicine center to treat patients, mainly using Chinese medicinal herbs.
- However, in terms of general operation, there was still a slight difference from Tu Medicine Center.
- The Tu Medicine Center was a traditional Chinese medicine clinic, where consultation was provided for each treatment in order to cure diseases and train up Chinese medicine practitioners at the same time.
- As for the medical center that Fade had in mind, the main direction was readily made medicine, which was similar to western medicinal products. Fade would prepare some general prescriptions for the treatment of common diseases. The patients would then take the corresponding medicine according to their symptoms.
- In case of any uncertainty or more specific diseases, the patient could also request for a doctor to confirm their diagnosis and treatment method.

In fact, this method was more similar to a pharmacy than a hospital. Its main function was to sell medicines, and clinical services was only subsidiary.

Moreover, this method required fewer professional personnel compared to a traditional Chinese medicine center. After all, Fade couldn't just focus on the center wholeheartedly.

- On the other hand, Fade planned to lower the price of medicines sold. Thus, patients could get their diseases treated at a more reasonable price. After all, he was not short of money. His goal was to cure patients and promote the use of Chinese medicine.
- After confirming the direction of the clinic, Fade immediately began to prepare for its construction .
- With Fade's current status and wealth, the preparation part was easy. He chose a suitable place and bought it. He didn't even need to renovate the place as some minor adjustments were already sufficient. In less than three days, the preparation was completed and the clinic was ready to be opened.
- Lily arranged for the professionals of Fei Enterprises Holdings Inc to take care of the registration procedures. They were fast and efficient.
- All that was left for Fade, was to name his new clinic.
- Fade had a hard time deciding. He called up Mr. Tu, Dr. Tao, and Caesar, to ask for for their advice.
- The group of people suggested several names, but Fade didn't like any of them. Some felt too classic, and some were too modern.
- In the end, everyone couldn't come up with any more new names. Caesar clapped his hands together and said, "My center is called the Tu Medicine Center. Fade, your surname is Chen, why don't we call it Chen Clinic?"
- Fade didn't say anything, and Daphne didn't quite agree. She said, "Fade said that his medical center would mainly sell ready-made medicines and prescriptions, it's not appropriate to call it a clinic."

Caesar said, "Let's call it Chen Pharmacy. Is that okay?"

Hearing this, Daphne couldn't help but roll her eyes at Caesar.

Fade, on the other hand, thought of something and said, "Chen Pharmacy, it's easy on the ears and accentuates the main point."

Caesar was overjoyed and said, "Brother Chen knows what's good for him."

Fade smiled and said, "However, I want to change a word in this name."

"Which?" Caesar asked curiously.

Fade said, "I want to change Chen to Sincere. Sincerity is the core value of our clinic."

After listening to Fade's words, Caesar applauded immediately and cheered, "Well, this is a good way to change it."

Daphne nodded in agreement.

Mr. Tu also said, "That's right. Good job, Fade."

Fade smiled and said, "It's settled. Let's call it Sincere Medicine Center Pharmacy."

After the name was confirmed, the relevant procedures were quickly carried out. Quin also instructed Fei Enterprises Holdings Inc to transfer the ownership of the Life Elixir Wine formula to Sincere Medicine Center Pharmacy.

Fade had previously provided the formula of Life Elixir Wine for free. According to Quin, although Fei Enterprises Holdings Inc was her company, there were other shareholders involved as well.

Now that Fade had established his own company, it was natural that the formula would belong to him. Moreover, this clear

property division would facilitate any business cooperation in the future.

Fade had no objection to these. Anyway, he didn't expect to make a lot of money from the prescriptions. He asked Lily to register the patented formulas under the Sincere Medicine Center Pharmacy, including the patent of Ephedra Syrup.

- After dealing with these things, a week later, the Sincere Medicine Center Pharmacy opened for business in Dragonville.
- With the fame of Fade Chen and the promotion of Daphne Tao and Mr. Tu, Sincere Medicine Center Pharmacy became popular as soon as it opened.
- On the first day, the store was crowded with people. Fade was busy from seven in the morning to nine in the evening.
- In the next few days, there were more and more people at the pharmacy. It was all thanks to everyone's word of mouth. It was said that the medicines in the Sincere Medicine Center Pharmacy were not only effective but also cheap, which attracted more patients.
- Fade brought Xenia and others over to help, but he was still shorthanded. In the end, Mr. Tu brought his group of disciples to assist them, which helped Fade through this crowded period.
- For several days in a row, Fade was busy working.
- Finally, after a week, the business of the Sincere Medicine Center Pharmacy had stabilized. Although there were still a lot of people every day, it was not as crowded as before. The people he trained could also work independently without supervision. Fade Chen could finally relax.
- Just when Fade had regained his freedom, Rudolph Zheng called and said that he had something important to discuss with Fade. He wanted Fade to take part in a meeting at the Long City Health Department.

Because of his son Edgar Zheng, the relationship between Rudolph and Fade was not as close as before. However, Rudolph was a civil servant in the health department, and the main force in the antibiotics incident, thus he still frequently contacted Fade.

After the meeting, Fade had a better idea of the important matter that Rudolph wanted to talk about.

It turned out that the Capital City had taken notice of the Ephedra Syrup. After an urgent verification and discussion, the higher-ups had decided to send an investigation group to Dragonville, to see for themselves the effect and function of Ephedra Syrup.

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Once the investigation group had confirmed the effect and function of Ephedra Syrup, Capital City would promote and increase the production of Ephedra Syrup, officially replacing the Alstom Antibiotic.

- After all, Alstom Antibiotic was already facing a shortage in all other places across the country.
- Fade knew that this was an urgent matter. Thus, he arranged for the inspection immediately. After all, Fade wanted to solve the shortage problem as soon as possible.
- That day, the investigation group arrived. The Sincere Medicine Center Pharmacy specially closed for a day for the inspection.
- At half past eight in the morning, Fade, along with the relevant personnel of the Ministry of Public Health of Dragonville, were already on standby at the main entrance of the pharmacy, half an hour before the investigation group was due to arrive.
- Time passed slowly. It was almost nine o'clock when raindrops started to fall from the sky.
- The rain became heavier. Everyone's clothes were getting wet. When Fade saw this, he called for everyone to wait inside the pharmacy building.
- However, when Rudolph Zheng and his team checked the time, they shook their heads and said. "It's almost nine o'clock. It won't be long before they arrive. Let's just wait outside."

Fade knew that Rudolph valued this investigation. He didn't want to make any mistakes. Therefore, in order to show his respect,

he was willing to wait in the rain.

However, Fade was not a civil servant, and he did not like the so-called rules and regulations of the system. Therefore, he asked his people to wait inside the store, leaving Rudolph and the others to wait outside.

- The rain kept falling. It went from a drizzle to heavier rain. Rudolph and the others were soaked.
- It was finally nine. However, the investigation group was nowhere to be seen.
- Fade frowned. He once again invited them into the centre.
- Rudolph hesitated for a moment, and then shook his head to decline the offer, "Let's wait a little longer. Maybe they were caught in traffic."
- However, Fade was not convinced. After all, they had specially arranged for traffic enforcers to manage the traffic for a smooth welcome for the investigation group. In other words, there should not be any traffic jam.
- Since Rudolph rejected his offer, Fade went in without him.
- It was already 9:30 a.m. but the investigation group was still nowhere to be seen. The rain was getting heavier and heavier. Although Rudolph and others were carrying umbrellas, the rain was still pelted upon them.
- When Fade saw this, he asked the staff to set up a simple shed to keep Rudolph and the others from the rain.
- They waited for another 20 minutes. When it was almost 10 o'clock, black cars were finally seen at the entrance of the pharmacy.

Rudolph shook the rain off his body. He took a step forward and announced, "The inspectors have arrived. Let's welcome them."

The car stopped at the entrance of the pharmacy. With a smile on his face, Rudolph led his men to greet them, holding out their umbrellas to shield them from the rain.

- More than a dozen men and women in uniforms alighted from the vehicles. When they saw the water accumulating at the entrance of the pharmacy, they were dissatisfied.
- At this moment, a Mercedes-Benz arrived. Everyone turned their heads towards the car.
- The door of the Mercedes opened. A man in his fifties, dressed in a suit, could be seen getting ready to step out of the car.
- Nevertheless, when he saw the situation at the door of the pharmacy, he quickly retracted his foot. He was wearing expensive leather shoes.
- When Rudolph noticed this, his heart skipped a beat. He quickly handed over his umbrella with a smile, "Captain Lu, this way please!"
- However, Captain Lu remained seated in the car. He scoffed. "Do you want me to get out just like that?"
- Rudolph didn't know what to do.
- Seeing this, the first person who got down from the previous car scoffed at them. "We were expecting a red carpet. Do you expect Captain Lu to walk on this dirty floor?"
- Everyone waiting at the door of the pharmacy was stunned when they heard him.
- Fade frowned. He was infuriated. The team had been waiting for them for almost an hour, yet they were expecting to be welcomed with a red carpet.

- Did they think this was an award show?
- Thinking of this, Fade couldn't help but stride towards them. He was about to get mad.
- However, Rudolph grabbed Fade. "Fade, hold it. They are from the city. In their eyes, we are just some nobodies from a small place. It's normal for them to treat us like this."
- "But-" Fade frowned.
- Rudolph went on, "It's not the time to be angry. Our main task now is to pass the inspection, and mass produce the Ephedra Syrup. It will help solve the shortage of Alstom Antibiotics. Please endure it for a while, Face."
- Since Chief Zheng had said so personally, Fade had to hold back his anger. He nodded.
- After that, Rudolph quickly ordered his men to prepare the red carpet. Then, he went to the Mercedes Benz and welcomed politely, "Captain Lu, this way please!"
- Looking at the soaked red carpet, the picky Captain Lu finally nodded. He got out of the car with his head held high. His hands were clasped behind his back as he walked toward the pharmacy.
- Other members of the investigation group followed Captain Lu with their chins up. Rudolph and his men welcomed him on both sides of the red carpet.
- As for Fade and his men, their expressions were stern. They did not show their displeasure for the sake of Rudolph. They said neutrally, "Please come in."

When Captain Lu saw their attitude, he couldn't help but to frown. He was displeased.

When Rudolph saw this, he quickly said, "Captain Lu, this is Fade Chen, who is also known as Dr. Chen. He is the one who developed the Ephedra Syrup."

"That's the guy?" The whole investigation group was surprised when they heard that.

Rudolph introduced them immediately to Fade, "Fade, this is Philip Lu, the leader of the investigation group. He is not only an honorary member of the National Health Association, but also the owner of Bulrush Pharma."

"The owner of a pharmaceutical company is the leader of the investigation!" Fade's heart gave a thump as he felt that this was an inappropriate situation.

Fade had heard of Bulrush Pharma. It was launched in the northeast and had over 30 years of history. It had been growing rapidly in recent years, and had since become one of the largest pharmaceutical companies in the country. It could also be regarded as one of the biggest companies in the domestic industry.

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However, Bulrush Pharma had a bad reputation. Not only were their medicine expensive, but the efficacy were also subpar. The quality was questionable and had even been ridiculed by netizens many times before.

- Even so, over the years, the Bulrush Pharma had continued to stand firm and developed steadily. Philip probably had something up his sleeves.
- Thinking of this, Fade looked at Philip again. His expression dulled.
- Seeing that Fade was lacking any initiative to greet him, Philip scowled. He snorted and said, "A man with bad manners."
- Fade's face darkened in response. Just as he was about to lose his temper, Rudolph threw him a look. Fade could only endure it for the time being.
- Rudolph tried to placate Philip. He said with a smile, "Captain Lu, shall we begin with the inspection now?"
- Philip said unhurriedly, "Take it slow. You should be firm and unhurried in critical situations. Otherwise, the gains will not make up for the losses."
- Rudolph could only nod and say, "You're right."
- "Where do you want to start from, Captain Lu?" Rudolph asked.
- Philip thought for a moment and then said, "We have examined the samples you sent to Capital City, the effect of the medicine is

good enough. Therefore, we don't need to rush to test the efficacy of the medicine. Let's talk about the contract if the test is passed."

- Rudolph didn't expect that Philip would be talking about the contract before the test of the medicine. He paused for a moment.
- However, he nodded immediately. "We have already drafted a few contracts. Captain Lu, why don't we go inside and sit down while we talk?"
- "Okay!" Philip nodded.
- They went into a meeting room at the back of the building.
- Everyone sat down. Fade asked the staff to give everyone a copy of the contracts which he had drafted in advance, and everyone began to read.
- The contract was actually very simple. Apart from the professional terms and legal regulations, the core of the contract was actually a contract of authorization.
- Fade's Sincere Medicine Center Pharmacy, as the patent owner of the Ephedra Syrup, agreed to grant the right of production to the Ministry of Health and Medicine for free. They were authorized to cooperate with domestic pharmaceutical factories and jointly produce Ephedra Syrup.
- It could be said that Fade didn't care about the monetary interests at all. He only wanted to produce the maximum amount of Ephedra Syrup as soon as possible, in order to solve the shortage of Alstom Antibiotic in the country.
- The contents of the contract were clear and precise. There were only four pages of content in total. Many people finished reading the contract within a few minutes.

Philip, who was in the main seat, kept his eyes on the last page of the contract. He tapped his fingers lightly on the table, but did not speak.

- The people who had finished reading had no choice but to pick up the contract again and pretend to be reading through it carefully.
- In this way, everyone read the contract a few times over, but Philip still hadn't said a word. His eyes were fixed on the last page of the paper, and he was silent for a long time.
- This behavior confused everyone. Fade glanced at Chief Zheng.
- Rudolph was nervous. At Fade's prompting glance, he took a breath and asked, "Captain Lu, what do you think of this contract?"
- When Philip heard Rudolph's words, his reaction was like a volcano erupting after a long period of dormancy.
- He slammed his palm on the table and shouted, "What do I think of this? This awful contract?"
- His sudden anger confused the Long City Ministry of Public Health, as well as Fade and the other researchers. They didn't understand why Philip was furious. After all, this contract was a normal official contract and there was nothing special about it.
- Rudolph was shocked and asked in a hurry, "Captain Lu, is there anything wrong with this contract?"
- "Anything wrong?" Philip snorted, then threw the document on the table, and bellowed, "The basic principle of the contract is wrong. How are we going to investigate and sign it?"
- Fade, Rudolph and their colleagues were confused. They had no idea why Philip was angry.
- Rudolph asked cautiously, "Captain Lu, there should be nothing wrong with the contract in terms of basic principles. It is just a

normal authorization contract."

Philip slammed the table and snapped, "A normal authorization contract. That's the problem."

"You have to understand that our superior sent us to deal with the problem of Alstom Antibiotic. We are here on behalf of the country and the government."

"We know, we know!" Rudolph said in a hurry.

Philip said, "What do you know? If you really knew, then why would you make this kind of stupid mistake?"

"Captain Lu, the mistake you're referring to is—" Rudolph asked.

Philip chided, "The government is going to use the Ephedra Syrup to save people. It's a matter of life and death. This is considered confidential information."

"Can you use an authorization contract for it?"

Upon hearing this, Rudolph's expression changed. He thought of something and said immediately, "Captain Lu, do you mean we should be using a patent assignment?"

"Of course!" Philip said, "This confidential information involves the whole nation. It should be submitted into the hands of the government."

Upon hearing this, Fade realized that something was amiss.

Free authorization of the production of Ephedra Syrup was already putting his best offer on the table. Despite that, Philip was not satisfied with the offer at all, and he even had the audacity to ask for patent rights. This was really crossing the line.

Thinking of this, Fade scowled. His face darkened eerily.

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However, Philip did not care about Fade at all. He directly gestured at his secretary to take out a few contracts from the briefcase and put them onto the table. He said, "These are the copyright transfer agreements which we have drawn up. Please sign it."

- As he was speaking, Philip directly put a thick stack of agreements in front of Fade.
- Seeing this, Fade couldn't help frowning and was about to say something.
- However, Rudolph quickly gave him a small tug under the table and whispered in a low tone, "Let's go through them first."
- Fade was forced to refrain from speaking. He flipped open the agreements that were handed over by Philip.
- But before Fade could finish reading, Philip, who was sitting on the opposite side, frowned impatiently. He pointed toward the direction of the table and said, "No need to read. These agreements were drafted by our professional team. What problems could there be?"
- "Sign it!" Philip waved his hand and gestured towards his secretary to pass a pen to Fade.
- Nevertheless, Fade did not take the pen. Instead, he straightened up and looked at Philip coldly, "Now that Captain Lu is asking me to sign an agreement, I wonder how much the signing fees will be?"
- Hearing this, Philip's brows wrinkled at once. He looked at Fade darkly and asked in a low voice, "What do you mean? What signing fee?"

Fade sneered and said, "You are asking about signing fees? Director Lu, you are also in the pharmaceutical business. Don't you know about patent costs?"

"Of course I know about the patent cost!" Philip said, "Do you mean that we need to pay for the patent cost?"

"Of course. I developed the Ephedra Syrup, and your company is using it right now. Of course, you need to pay for it." Fade said.

Hearing this, Philip's face turned gloomy and he said in a cold voice, "Mr. Chen, please be clear about this. This is a direct order from the Ministry of Health, and many high-ranked government officers are paying close attention to this situation. This patent is for the people and the nation."

"For such a big and noble cause, do you really need to care about petty gains?" Using his knuckles, Philip rapped on the table to emphasize his point.

"Petty gains?" Fade sneered, "Do you know how much the patent fees are worth for my Ephedra Syrup? You simply call it a small gain, and you take my generosity for granted. It's so easy for you, Captain Lu."

A hint of fury flashed across Philip's face. He said directly to Rudolph, "Chief Zheng, so this is the attitude of your staff in Dragonville City, with no social awareness at all. How dare you recommend such a person to your superiors, claiming that he is a savior of the nation and the people."

Rudolph was speechless.

However, Fade was totally provoked. He slammed his fist on the table and stood up directly to confront Philip.

"Stop it with all your lies. Do you think that I don't know what you are up to?" Fade rebuked sternly.

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Philip replied, "You are a self-centered b*stard who doesn't care for the people and the nation at all. What else do you want to say?"

"Ha ha!" Fade sneered and said, "If I'm considered selfish, then what do you say about your transfer agreements?"

"I've already offered free copyright licensing. Why do you have to ask for the transfer agreements?" Fade demanded.

Philip's face changed slightly and he said in a low voice, "I've already told you that this pharmaceutical formula directly concerns the welfare of the public, so you can't keep the patent in your own hands. It must be owned by the government to ensure its safety and reliance."

"It would indeed be reliable for the patent right to be owned by the government. If it was really being transferred to the country, I would have no problems signing it." Fade sneered.

Then, he picked up the thick stack of papers and threw them directly at Philip's face. He bellowed, "But here it clearly states that the ownership is being transferred to Bulrush Pharma. How do you explain this, Philip Lu?"

"Do you think that you and your Bulrush Pharma represent the nation and the people?" Fade raised his eyebrows and glared at Philip.

What provoked Fade the most was not about signing the copyright transfer without getting a single cent. Philip was clearly plotting to snatch the Ephedra Syrup patent right into the possession of his Bulrush Pharma.

Subsequently, he could then present the Ephedra Syrup concoction formula to the government, claiming it as a research product of his Bulrush Pharma, and reaping all the fame and profit. It was indeed a well-planned scheme.

Even Rudolph, who had been persuading Fade to hold back his temper, turned sullen. He looked at Philip differently now, a stark

contrast to his previously appeasing manner.

In the face of Fade's question, Philip felt a twinge of panic. But then, he quickly regained his composure and said, "Nonsense, you are thinking too much."

"I, Philip Lu, am an honorary member of the National Health Association. Bulrush Pharma is also an official partner of the National Health Association. When the patent is transferred to us, it is same as being transferred to the corresponding department in the Ministry of Health," Philip said.

Fade chuckled and said, "Do you really believe this kind of made-up story? Or do you take us for fools?"

As he spoke, Fade got up and turned around to leave the meeting room.

Seeing this, Philip's expression immediately changed, "You're leaving? You better think twice. I am the captain of the investigation team, sent here by the government to deal with the urgent issue regarding the Alstom Antibiotic."

"We received a report from Dragonville, claiming that a substitute drug had been developed, but now you can't show us the product. This is considered as deceit, trying to fool the top management. Can you face the consequences?"

Fade's lips curled up in a sneer, "Go on, you shameless, power-abusing sc*mbag! Do you think I'll be afraid of you?"

With that, Fade strode toward the door.

Philip's face was filled with anger. He knew he couldn't persuade Fade, so he turned to Rudolph instead, "Director Zheng, the substitute drug was first developed in Dragonville City. It was supposed to be a great honor for the health department of Dragonville City, but now it is going to turn into a big shame. Are you really making a wise decision?"

Naturally, the words evoked some doubts within Rudolph, but after all, he couldn't be so shameless as to rob someone of their

copyright without offering any compensation. So, he only remained neutral and said, "The Ephedra Syrup patent belongs to Mr. Chen. We can't force him."

After that, Rudolph also walked out of the meeting room.

Philip's face had never been more thunderous.

In his raging fury, Philip slammed the table forcefully. He cursed through gritted teeth, "A group of idiots with no rules, no discipline, and no sense of team honor! The nation and the people have supported you in vain..."

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The meeting with the investigation team ended up in a fiasco.

As soon as Philip left the Sincere Medicine Center Pharmacy, he immediately phoned his superior to report the situation. "Department Head Wang, I am Philip. I am in Dragonville City now. The situation here isn't so good."

"What's going on?" A deep voice came from the other end of the line.

"I just did my first inspection. As a result, the developer of the drug was already asking for a patent fee from us before we could even test the drug. It seemed that he wouldn't transfer the patent to us if we refuse to pay."

Department Head Wang said, "How much does he want?"

"He didn't mention the exact amount, but surely he is going to take this chance to extort a big sum," Philip added, "Besides, the developer of this substitute drug is a Chinese medicine doctor in his twenties. He is very young."

"For such a young doctor to be announcing that he has developed a drug that can replace Alstom antibiotics. I feel somewhat skeptical about the effect of the drug itself. I suggest that the relevant departments should look into the matter and reconfirm the effects of the drug through a series of rigorous scientific procedures."

Department Head Wang went silent for a while and said, "I will send someone to follow up. You'd better continue to work hard on the investigation and provide some detailed information to us as soon as possible."

"Yes, Department Head Wang," Philip answered in a serious tone.

After hanging up the phone, Philip revealed an evil smile and whispered to himself, "You are still too young and too naive to fight with me in the medical industry. I can simply squash you to death with one finger."

Within minutes, Philip made a few more calls, which made his smirk even wider. He said maliciously, "Since you aren't going to give me the patent right for Ephedra Syrup, you better say goodbye to your reputation."

Meanwhile, Department Head Wang did not put away his phone immediately after his conversation with Philip. Instead, he dialed another number. "Elder Chai, I have to trouble you again. Yes, it's in Dragonville. Well, alright, I'll wait for your news."

The phone call ended shortly.

Meanwhile, in the Sincere Medical Center Pharmacy in Dragonville City, Fade and Rudolph sank into their chairs with gloomy expressions after Philip's departure.

"Fade, regarding this matter, I—" Rudolph was about to say something to Fade.

But at this moment, his cell phone suddenly rang. As soon as he picked it up, there was an angry assault from the other side. "Rudolph, what the h*II are you doing? I asked you to take care of the investigation team from Capital City, but this is how you treated them? You messed up everything..."

Rudolph wanted to explain, but after the onslaught came the directive, "Solve this problem as soon as possible," and then the call was ended.

With a helpless look, Rudolph forced a bitter smile and was about to put away his mobile phone.

But before the phone was back in his pocket, it started to ring again.

Rudolph's face turned pale when he saw the number, but there was no way that he could run away from it. "Rudolph Zheng, look what a 'great job' you have done, I really..."

As expected, it was from his superiors again, dishing out more scolding and criticism.

Rudolph went on to receive more than a dozen phone calls. Some were more scolding and criticisms from his superiors, some were advice from his colleagues, and some were blatantly telling him to sort it out as soon as possible, or else things would get even tougher.

Fade, who was with him all the while, could not help but look at Rudolph apologetically. He said, "Director Zheng, I'm sorry that I got you in trouble."

Rudolph shook his head and said, "It's not your fault. You're kind and loyal to the nation and the people. But there are always people trying to take advantage of others for personal gain. They are really crossing the line."

"I'll call someone to report the situation. I don't believe that Philip can simply do whatever he likes." Rudolph said indignantly and then began to make a phone call.

However, after he had made several phone calls in a row, his face became gloomier and gloomier.

He realized that as soon as he mentioned Philip's investigation team, the person he was talking to would immediately try to sweep the matter under the carpet. Some feigned cluelessness; some gave excuses and said that they had something else to do; some said that they could do nothing to help; and some even tried to persuade him to apologize to Philip instead.

The responses he received sent a chilling disappointment down to the bottom of his heart, leaving him in a daze.

Seeing this, Fade quickly comforted him, "Director Zheng, don't be disheartened. We can go to Capital City and explain the

situation directly to Department Head Wang."

Rudolph nodded and said, "I'll find another way to deal with it."

With that, Rudolph waved goodbye and left.

After sending Rudolph off, Fade returned to the medical centre with a gloomy face.

The shop assistants gathered around him. Although they didn't know the details, they had heard the rough outline of the story. All at once, they were filled with indignation on Fade's behalf. At the same time, they all hated Philip so much that they really wished to chop him to death.

After all, Fade and his team had put in so much effort to come up with the substitute drug. Plus, at this critical juncture when everyone was worried about the shortage of antibiotics in the country, Philip and his team were not thinking about solving the problem and save people's lives, but rather, they intended to make use of the situation seek personal profit instead. It was despicable of him to abuse his power in this way.

Fade said a few words to calm them down, and then he immediately returned to his work.

Now, he must get ready for the tough situation ahead. If he really failed the inspection of Philip Lu's investigation team, he would have to increase the production scale of the Ephedra Syrup as soon as possible in order to meet the increasing demand and overcome the shortage of Alstom Antibiotics.

He was totally engrossed in his work. Soon, it was the next day, and time for the arranged inspection. However, there was still no sign of the investigation team.

Obviously, Philip thought that he would triumph over Fade, so he was waiting complacently for Fade to take the initiative and

hand over the patent with a sincere apology.

As for Fade, when he saw no sign of the investigation team, he returned to his daily routine.

At eight o'clock in the morning, there was a huge crowd at the entrance of the medical centre, for it was closed the previous day due to the visit of Philip Lu's investigation team. So, many patients were forced to delay their visit, and thus, there was an exceptionally long queue today.

Amidst the bustling crowd, an old man in his seventies slowly approached. His long white beard fluttered in the wind.

The old man came over and asked in curiosity, "The business of this clinic is so good. Many people had been coming here since early in the morning. Is the treatment very effective?"

As soon as he spoke, someone next to him immediately said, "Old Master, you are not a local citizen, are you?"

"Well, I'm from another place. How do you know this? Is it because of my accent?" The old man asked.

The others laughed and said, "No, it's not. The local citizens of Dragonville City wouldn't have asked those questions you asked just now."

"Why?" The old man asked in confusion.

Someone answered him, "Why? Because almost everyone in Dragonville City knows that Dr. Chen of the Sincere Medicine Center has excellent medical skills. Since you don't know about Dr. Chen, you must be an outsider!"

"I see!" The old man's eyes lit up with curiosity.

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The old man took a fleeting look around the centre and asked curiously, "Which one is Dr. Chen? It seems that everyone in the clinic is very young! Are they Dr. Chen's disciples?"

The others quickly pointed it out to him. "Look, there sir. That's Dr. Chen."

"He is so young, he seems to be in his early twenties! Is he really Dr. Chen?" The old man asked in surprise.

When the others heard this, they immediately smiled and said, "Sir, you don't have to be so surprised. That is really Dr. Chen. His medical skills are even more extraordinary. He is absolutely outstanding."

"Yes, sir. Have you heard about the Alstom Antibiotic? Recently, it was Dr. Chen who developed a substitute drug for it in Dragonville City. It is called the Ephedra Syrup."

"Dr. Chen saved the lives of hundreds of thousands of people in our city! Otherwise, poor people like us can do nothing but await our death."

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Listening to the compliments from the people around him, the old man's eyes glimmered. He looked at Fade, who was currently busy working, and he whispered, "This Dr. Chen is really quite interesting!"

Since there were fixed prescriptions for common illnesses, the medical centre handled patients very efficiently.

Before long, it was the old man's turn to see a doctor. A young doctor who looked like an apprentice asked, "Sir, what seems to be bothering you?"

- "My illness may be a little complicated. Can Dr. Chen help me?" The old man requested.
- The apprentice turned to look at Fade, who was still busy, and said hesitantly, "Sir, Dr. Chen is very busy. Let me test your pulse first. If it's a difficult and complicated disease that I can't treat, then I'll call Dr. Chen over. Is that all right?"
- Hearing this, the old man nodded and then stretched out his arm. "Sure."
- The apprentice put his fingers on the old man's wrist and began to feel his pulse.
- Approximately ten seconds later, the apprentice frowned. He looked at the old man in surprise and said, "This pulse is really strange. It feels like a heart disease, but sometimes it feels like a lung disease."
- In the end, the apprentice was unable to come up with an accurate diagnosis. He apologized and said, "I'm really sorry, sir. I can't diagnose it. Please wait for a moment. I'll invite Dr. Chen to come over."
- The old man nodded. The apprentice went over and explained the situation to Fade. Then, Fade came over.
- "Sir, what seems to be bothering you?" Fade asked as he sat down and began to feel the old man's pulse.
- Before the old man opened his mouth, Fade suddenly frowned and looked at the old man, saying, "Strange, this pulse is indeed strange."
- The old man coughed twice and asked, "Dr. Chen, may I go in and have a seat?"
- Fade loosened his grip and immediately commanded, "Lead the old gentleman inside. I'll be conducting a detailed checkup."

Then, the apprentice led the old man into a room behind the counter. Fade asked the old man to sit down and checked his pulse again.

The old man coughed a few times and looked at Fade, waiting for his diagnosis.

Fade frowned and pondered. After a few minutes, he seemed to recall something and loosened his hand. He looked at the old man and said to him plainly, "You are not ill. You are very healthy. If there is nothing ailing you, sir, then I shall be taking my leave."

Upon hearing this, the old man quickly said, "Dr. Chen, you said that I'm not ill? Your diagnosis is really unbelievable! My pulse, as your apprentice has just told me, is very complicated, and I am seriously ill."

Fade looked long and hard at the old man . He shook his head and said, "My student is not yet experienced enough, he made a mistake earlier. Please forgive him, sir."

"But I'm not feeling well. I am coughing and having difficulty breathing. Am I still considered to be healthy?" As the old man spoke, he coughed again."

Fade narrowed his eyes and looked at the old man. He said in a low voice, "Sir, I believe that you are well aware of the condition of your health, and whether you're sick or not. If you're here for fun, I'm sorry but I can't entertain you."

Hearing this, the old man's countenance changed slightly, but he continued to pursue the argument, "What do you mean by that? Did you say that I'm pretending to be sick and deliberately came to create trouble for you?"

"I didn't mean to say that. It's just that I'm very busy. There are still a lot of patients waiting for me outside. I beg your pardon." Fade bowed and was about to leave.

The old man snorted softly and said, "Heh, I heard from people outside that Dr. Chen from Dragonville has excellent medical skills. I didn't expect him to be so unethical."

"It seems that the rumors were true! He is indeed a profiteering businessman. If that's the case, then don't pretend to be a saint who acts kindly to the world." The old man said in a sarcastic tone.

Fade, who was about to exit, frowned and halted in his step.

His apprentice's face was full of anger. He looked at the old man and said, "What are you talking about? How could you say such a thing to a kind man like Dr. Chen?"

"A kind man? I don't think so." The old man snorted, "If he is really a kind man, why did he keep the Ephedra Syrup to himself instead of using it to save countless lives out there? He obviously wants to make use of this opportunity to make money."

His words had truly provoked the apprentice. He glared at the old man and said furiously, "What nonsense are you talking about? Dr. Chen has done so much for everyone, and you are trying to lay wrongful accusations upon him. You are really ungrateful. We don't welcome people like you in here. Please leave now!"

The apprentice was about to chase the old man away.

The old man stood up and sighed, "Sure enough, the evil plan is exposed now, and you are beginning to panic."

"Forget it, forget it. I've seen too many villains like you. I should be used to it by now." The old man shook his head with a disappointed look. "It's just a pity that those patients who were waiting for the Ephedra Syrup out there have no idea that the person who they deem as a savior, doesn't actually care about them at all."

"Shut up! Get out of here!" The apprentice was so angry that his cheeks were flushed. He glared at the old man and shouted at

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him.

The old man turned to leave. At this moment, Fade had a sudden realization and he asked, "What do you mean I kept the Ephedra Syrup to myself?"

Hearing this, the old man turned to look at Fade and said, "What do I mean? Don't you know what I mean? Do you really want me to say it out?"

"I really don't know what you mean! I would like to hear what you have to say," Fade said.

The old man's face immediately became serious, "Since you said so, then I'll tell you."

"Some time ago, the shortage of Alstom Antibiotics caused a great turbulence in the entire Chinese medical industry. Medical expenses were rising, and people were living a miserable life."

"Right at that critical moment, I heard that someone in the country had managed to develop a substitute drug. I was overjoyed and thought that many lives could be saved. I didn't expect for this to turn out to be just another Bald Eagle Pharma episode."

The old man sighed. He glanced at Fade and continued to speak.

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"You are keeping the Ephedra Syrup formula to yourself and not willing to share it for large-scale production, even when the investigation team came all the way from Capital City to request for it. You are taking people's lives for granted in order to make a fortune for yourself."

- "And yet, you pretend to be a kind and skillful doctor to the public!"
- The old man let out a long sigh. He waved his hand and stepped out of the medical centre.
- Hearing this, Fade frowned and looked at the old man, thinking long and hard.
- However, the apprentice next to him went completely berserk. He rushed towards the old man, glaring at him with fiery eyes, and said, "Stop where you are and apologize to Dr Chen right now."
- "Apologize? Why should I apologize? Just because I told you the truth?" The old man said.
- The apprentice said angrily, "The truth, d*mn the truth! What you said is slander!"
- "You know nothing about how much effort Dr. Chen has put in to make this substitute drug, and the grievances he has suffered because of it. You are talking nonsense and wrongfully accusing him."
- "Efforts and grievances?" There was a look of disbelief on the old man's face as he said to the apprentice, "I wonder, as a greedy businessman, what kind of efforts did he put in? What kind of grievances did he suffer?"

His words made Fade frown again. Fade said, "There's no need to explain. Send him away. It's fine if he doesn't believe it."
The apprentice looked at Fade in bewilderment. Finally, he blurted out, "Dr. Chen, no, I can't hold it in anymore. This old guy slandered you. I must clarify things for you, otherwise, I wouldn't be able to sleep for the whole week."

"Drop your act," demanded the old man.

His words really infuriated the apprentice. He glared at the old man and said, "Shut up. Don't talk about things that you don't know."

"Did you know that when the shortage of antibiotics first began in Dragonville, it caused a sudden increase in the demand for Life Elixir Wine, and the price skyrocketed? The original price was 500 yuan per bottle, but at that time, it soared up to around 20,000 to 30,000 yuan per bottle, and the price just kept on rising."

The old man felt a little puzzled and asked, "What do you mean by the Life Elixir Wine? What does it have to do with him?"

The apprentice continued, "Of course it has everything to do with Dr Chen, he was the one who developed the Life Elixir Wine. At that time, the price rose sharply and we were running out of stock everywhere. It was such a golden opportunity to make money, but Dr Chen was strongly against the inflation in pricing. He ordered all the sellers to cut down their prices and keep to the original selling price."

"If Dr. Chen was really such a money-minded person, why would he give up on such a golden opportunity?"

Upon hearing this, the old man couldn't help asking, "Is this true?"

"Of course it is. This has been a hot topic in Dragonville City recently, and Dr Chen had offended countless businessmen over the matter. Everyone in Dragonville City know about this, you can ask them about it." The apprentice retorted.

The old man was silent for a while, and then he questioned, "According to what you said, Dr. Chen really cares for everyone's wellbeing. In that case, why did he refuse to sign the patent license agreement and share the formula with the investigation team, but instead name such a high price for it?"

Hearing this, the apprentice became even more incensed. He said, "Where did you hear that? Who said that Dr. Chen refused to share the formula? Who said that Dr. Chen asked for money from the investigation team?"

"Am I wrong? But that's really what I heard?" The old man asked.

The apprentice said indignantly, "I don't know who you heard this from, but I'm telling you, this is not the truth at all."

"Before the investigation team arrived, Dr. Chen had already prepared a patent license agreement which gives them the right to produce the Ephedra Syrup for free, so as to speed up the production of the drug."

"However, those people were extremely arrogant. They were late for our first meeting and even refused to get out of the car without a literal red carpet welcome."

"We respectfully invited them in and showed them the unconditionally free patent license agreement."

"But they completely ignored Dr. Chen's document, and insisted for us to sign the documents they provided instead."

At this, the old man frowned and the muscles on his face throbbed slightly. "Really? Then why didn't you sign the documents from them?"

"Why didn't Dr Chen sign?" The apprentice bellowed angrily, "Well, Dr. Chen was already willing to give them the right to produce the Ephedra Syrup for free, but the greedy Captain Lu shamelessly asked Dr. Chen to transfer the patent right to them for free."

"Transfer it!" The old man frowned and repeated the word.

The apprentice continued in agitated tone, "What's more, it wasn't the Ministry of Health whom the patent was stated to be transferred to, but Captain Lu's own company. It's called the Bulrush Pharma."

"Dr. Chen has really spent a lot of time and effort to develop the substitute drug. It's fine if we share it out for free in order to save lives. But those people were really too much, they blatantly intended to snatch the patent away from us for the purpose of personal gain."

"If we really passed them the patent right, then all our hard work and sacrifices would have been in vain!"

"Not long ago, Bald Eagle Pharma had even offered one million yuan to Dr. Chen for his Ephedra Syrup patent, with an additional interest rate of a few million yuan per year, but Dr. Chen refused the offer without a second thought. He just wanted to uphold the people's welfare by helping the country to overcome the critical shortage of antibiotics."

"Ask yourself, if you were in Dr. Chen's shoes, would you have signed the document?" The apprentice shot the old man a glare and questioned him in return.

After hearing the explanation from the apprentice, the old man's face turned grave and solemn. He glanced at Fade and the apprentice, as if trying to make sense of the whole situation. He asked them, "Are you telling the truth?"

Fade nodded curtly and said, "It's true. But of course, whether you believe it or not is completely up to you."

The apprentice was a little agitated. He said, "Of course it's true. We have a copy of the agreement that Captain Lu provided. Moreover, we have the voice record of yesterday's meeting."

"Can you show me the agreement and recording?" the old man asked.

The apprentice was stunned and looked at Fade.

Fade looked at the old man with a strange expression and said, "Who are you? What do you want these things for?"

The old man said to Fade seriously, "I mean no harm. I'm just an old Chinese medicine practitioner who wants to save the world like you do."

"A Chinese medicine practitioner, as expected." Fade suddenly thought of something and said, "Your complicated pulse just now was the result of pricking the Wan Gu, Shen Yu, and Feng Chi acupoints using silver needles before coming in."

Hearing this, the old man was thunderstruck, "How did you know?"

Fade said, "Your pulse was really strange and irregular earlier. It would easily have been misdiagnosed as cardiac deficiency and cold by an inexperienced Chinese medicine practitioner. But with careful examination, the subtle differences could still be identified."

"I saw through your tricks, so I said that you were not sick and asked you to leave instead," Fade said calmly.

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"I see. Dr. Chen's medical skills are indeed excellent. You really live up to your reputation." The elder looked at Fade with brightly-lit eyes, then he bowed to him and apologized sincerely, "I'm sorry for pretending to be ill!"

Fade waved his hand and said: "No worries," Then he asked his apprentice to bring over the agreement and voice record from the meeting.

- The elder read through the agreement and then listened to the recording. His face turned cold.
- At this moment, the old man was filled with suppressed rage, "He abused his power and deceived the Ministry. For the sake of personal gain, he completely neglected the lives of so many people in the country. How dare he do this!"
- The apprentice said, "That's right. Those guys are really blinded by greed for money. They deserve to die."
- The elder stood upright and turned to Fade. Then he put his hands together and bowed to Fade, saying, "Dr. Chen, I have gravely misunderstood you. It's my fault. I'm very sorry!"
- At the elder's sincere apology, Fade couldn't bear to blame him any further. He reached out to the old man and said, "It's alright, sir. I know that you were just trying to uphold justice for the people."

The elder nodded in acknowledgement, "Dr. Chen, can you give me a copy of the agreement and the recording?"

"Give you a copy? This—" Fade looked at the elder.

Without saying anything, the elder took out a specially-made nameplate and handed it to Fade, saying, "My name is Flynt Choi." Fade accepted the elder's nameplate and took a good look at it. It was exquisitely made from precious fragrant wood and emitted a faint fragrance. The nameplate was bright yellow in color, with the carved image of a complicated retro building on the front, and the Chinese word, "Choi", engraved on the back.

- The apprentice looked at the nameplate in confusion.
- At this moment, Fade turned to the elder and said in surprise, "The symbol of the Capital City Imperial Hospital!" It turned out that Master Choi was a royal practitioner in the Capital City. "I am sorry for not recognizing you earlier," Fade apologized.
- Upon hearing those words, the apprentice was taken aback and looked at the elder, stunned. He was so shocked that he found himself at a loss of words for a moment.
- After all, the Imperial Hospital was an exclusive hospital set up by the government in the Capital City. It mainly served top-ranked governors and important people who made remarkable contributions to the country. It had the best medical equipment in the world, not to mention the most skillful and outstanding doctors.
- If Flynt Choi was a member of the Imperial Hospital, and also a Chinese medicine practitioner, this could only mean one thing. He was surely one of the top doctors in Chinese medicine.
- Such a prominent person had suddenly turned up there, and they were even engaged in such a furious argument just a moment ago, thought the apprentice.
- The shock that surged through him was beyond words. The apprentice looked at Master Choi, intimidated.
- As though he suddenly realized something, Fade suddenly returned the nameplate to Master Choi and asked, "Master Choi, did

you come here today with a mission?"

Master Choi nodded, with no attempt to conceal things. He explained, "Well, let me speak frankly. I am a special agent sent by Department Head Wang from the Ministry of Health. I'm here for the inspection of the Ephedra Syrup."

A special agent, and even associated with department head. This sent another wave of shock down the apprentice's spine. He was gawking at Master Choi with his eyes wide open.

Master Choi continued, "There is a severe shortage of antibiotics at the moment, and now the situation is getting tougher. The ministry really wants to solve this problem as soon as possible, so they are viewing the matter of the Ephedra Syrup very seriously."

"On one hand, the ministry sent Philip Lu and his investigation team to inspect the drug. With his experience and foresight, Department Head Wang decide to err on the side of caution and play it safe. He secretly asked me to come here for an inspection as well, quietly and unknowingly, so as to obtain more comprehensive and detailed information."

Hearing this, Fade fully understood why Master Choi had been trying to provoke them since he came in. It seemed that this was one of his tactics to gather information.

Without further ado, Fade immediately asked his apprentice to prepare a copy of the agreement and voice record for Master Choi. Then, he said, "Master Choi, thank you for your hard work. Please report to Department Head Wang as soon as possible about the Ephedra Syrup. There are still many patients out there waiting for this medicine."

Master Choi accepted the items and looked at Fade. He shook his head and said, "It's nothing compared to your hard work and the wrongful accusations you've been through. I will reserve my gratitude for now and wait until the problem of antibiotic shortage is solved. Then, I will send a detailed report to Department Head Wang to explain the whole matter."

"Thank you very much, Master Choi!" Fade said gratefully.

Master Choi nodded and left.

After returning to his residence, Master Choi immediately sorted out the information and contacted Department Head Wang, saying, "Department Head Wang, I have an update for you. Here's the truth about what's going on..."

Meanwhile, Philip and his investigation team were living in a luxurious five-star hotel, indulging in beer and skittles and all sorts of pleasure. It seemed that they had completely forgotten about the inspection of the Ephedra Syrup.

Some members of the team couldn't help but feel a little concerned. They said to Philip, "Captain, are we just going to wait like this? If the superior asks us for the latest updates, I'm afraid it'll be hard for us to explain. How about I go and exert some pressure to that Mr. Chen..."

Philip, who was sitting with crossed legs, merely gave a faint smile. He shook his head and said, "No, we'll just wait like this. It won't take long for Chen to hand over the patent right of Ephedra Syrup to us."

"Really? What if they are too stubborn, then we'll—" One member said in a worried tone.

Philip shook his head and said, "Don't worry, they won't dare to refuse. Bear in mind that we represent the Ministry of Health, and that it's a matter of life and death for countless people out there."

"Naturally, when it comes to such big issue, they are already under the pressure of the local community. Moreover, Rudolph Zheng, who tried to report directly to the department head, has already been dealt with and reprimanded sternly by his immediate superior. I bet they are already desperate to hand over the patent right now."

The others seemed to be enlightened by his words. They nodded and said with a smile, "No wonder you are so confident at this,

captain. I have worried too much."

Philip smiled and waved his hand, saying, "You're still too young, and easily distressed. But you will improve soon after gaining more experience."

"Yes sir! Please guide me more in the future." The member flattered him.

Just as Philip was about to nod with a smile, his cell phone rang. When he saw that it was from Department Head Wang, his expression suddenly turned serious. He immediately picked up the phone and said in the most respectful manner, "Department Head Wang, I'm here for your instruction..."

Before he could finish his sentence, an angry voice was heard from the other end of the phone, "Philip, what have you done over there?"

Philip's heart skipped a beat. He said in a hurry, "Department Head Wang, I didn't do anything wrong. What happened? How did you—"