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While Fade was fully focused on developing the medicine, Calvin flew back to Jade City on a private plane overnight. While Calvin was lying in the VIP ward of a hospital, he looked up at the middle-aged man in front of him. He pleaded, "Dad, that Fade Chen beat me up so badly. You must avenge me."

The man was Calvin's father, Leslie Chiang, the current head of Maritime Ocean Pharma in Jade City.

Watching his son on the hospital bed, Leslie's heart ached. He said, "Calvin, don't worry. Whoever dares to beat a member of the Chiang family, I won't let him get away with it."


Calvin's face was full of hatred, he said, "Dad, you must teach that guy a lesson cruelly!"

"Also, we'll raise the price of the medicine further in Dragonville. If they threaten me, I'll kill all of them!" Calvin gnashed his teeth and said.

Leslie gently patted the blanket covering his son and said, "Calvin, rest well for now. I will handle Dragonville. Don't worry about it."

After comforting his son, Leslie walked out of the ward. He took out his mobile phone and made a phone call to his cousin, Loomis Chiang. Leslie said, "Loomis, go to the mainland and handle Dragonville."

"Remember, Dragonville is now a demonstration and a warning to the whole country, even the whole world. If they don't give in,

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we might as well teach them a lesson."

"We have Bald Eagle Pharma backing us, so we are not afraid of any challenge from the other forces. Have I made myself clear?"

On the other end of the call, Loomis could hear the vehemence in Leslie's tone. Loomis nodded, "I understand. I will handle the matter in Dragonville appropriately."

"Good, set off now. The company over there is vital. We can't leave it empty." Leslie ordered before hanging up the phone.

In the evening, Loomis was wearing a plaid suit, holding a briefcase and a cane in his hand, as he appeared at the Dragonville Airport.

Although Loomis was not as famous as his cousin Leslie, he was also a capable member of the Chiang family.

Loomis was decisive and ruthless. He was good at handling emergencies. He had helped the Chiang family resolved a lot of issues.

Leslie sent Loomis to Dragonville for the matter concerning the Alstom Antibiotic, what Leslie valued was his ability to resolve urgent affairs.

Loomis was a workaholic. He immediately started work in the car after leaving the airport.

"Please report all the latest news related to Dragonville to me."

"Give me a detailed report about the situation of the last negotiation with Calvin."

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One by one, the orders were issued. Soon, the relevant documents and reports came back.

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When Loomis read the details of Fade's fight with Calvin, he glowered, "This Fade Chen is just a mere thug from Dragonville. He dared attack a member of the Chiang family? He surely doesn't know his place."

Later, when he saw the news about Alstom Antibiotic, he smiled disdainfully and said, "In such a short timeframe, these doctors from small towns are thinking of developing medicine that can replace Alstom Antibiotic?! Such wishful thinking."

"Do they think that the billions of dollars of research done by Bald Eagle Pharma, who hired hundreds of top scientists, had been a joke?"

"Let them do whatever they want. It's just a waste of time and money!" Loomis sneered. He paid no heed to Fade's development of the medicine.

After reading all the reports, Loomis was silent for a while and then gave an order, "I want to meet the head of the Ministry of Public Health and all related pharmaceutical companies in Dragonville tomorrow."

The subordinate received the order and immediately went to do his work.

The corners of Loomis's mouth curved into an evil smile. He whispered to himself, "They want me to lower the price? Impossible. Bald Eagle Pharma thinks that the branch in our country has been delaying the decision-making for a long time. They're not happy with it. The price Calvin had doubled before is still too low. Let's raise it by three times first. As for the subsequent prices, those will depend on Dragonville's attitude."

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At the same time, Fade and dozens of scientists from Long City tirelessly dedicated themselves to the development of the substitute medicine in the lab.

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This time, Fade was the one who led the development of the medicine. The method he paved was completely different from before.

The research and development previously complied with Western chemical synthesis methods. They wanted to use another combination to extract the effective ingredients in the Alstom Antibiotic as to bypass the patent rights of the Bald Eagle Pharma.

Fade didn't intend to use this method. On one hand, he wasn't very well-versed about western medicine chemistry. On the other hand, hundreds of scientists from Bald Eagle Pharma had studied and developed for more than ten years. Almost all the methods that could be easily obtained had been thoroughly thought through, and all had been patented. It was almost impossible for Fade to make a breakthrough in a short time.

What's more, in Capital City, top local experts had been developing the drug for months. Fade's current manpower and resources were definitely less than that of the Capital City.

Taking into account all of the conditions, Fade decided to forgo using Western chemical synthesis methods. Instead, he decided to go for the traditional Chinese medicine methods which he was good at.

After all, there were many amazing discoveries in traditional Chinese medicine. Not to mention foreigners, even local citizens could not explain these miracles. Naturally, there was no relevant patent pertaining to such traditional methods. Therefore, this method and route were more realistic for Fade.

Fade was working restlessly when the bad news had arrived from the Ministry of Public Health and the relevant hospitals.

It was said that they had spoken with the new head of the Maritime Ocean Pharma branch in Dragonville. Not only did Maritime not lower the price, but they also took the opportunity to triple the price. Moreover, they threatened that if the hospitals still

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refuse to pay for the patent, the price would only go up.

In the face of the tough request of the other party, the people in Dragonville were extremely angry, but there was no way to counter it. In the end, they could only retreat, their hearts filled with fury.

When Fade heard the news, his eyes blazed with anger.

In one hand, he ordered the people of Fei Enterprises Holdings Inc to work overtime to produce Fei's Life Elixir Wine, and sell it to the citizens and the hospitals in Dragonville at a fair price. Hence, the Life Elixir Wine could regulate or even cure some minor diseases.

On the other hand, it was better to speed up the development of substitute medicine.

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As days passed, the research and development went on and on, but there were still no results.

Meanwhile, the situation in Dragonville worsened with each passing day. Although the mass production of the Life Elixir Wine had relieved the shortage of the Alstom Antibiotic to a certain extent, the Life Elixir Wine was not proper medicine. It could not replace the antibiotics.

Therefore, the side effects of the shortage of antibiotics were obvious. It was a disaster. Many hospitals were short of antibiotics, so they could not treat the patients.

As for the patients, their minor illnesses worsened as they couldn't afford high medical expenses. Some were on the brink of death.

Under such circumstances, Loomis still did not intend to lower the price of the Alstom Antibiotic. Instead, he raised the price again, forcing the local pharmaceutical factories to pay for the expensive rights from Bald Eagle Pharma.

In this critical situation, in a laboratory of Long City, Fade stared unmovingly at the boiling black liquid in the container.

He scooped up a spoonful of liquid and took a sip. When he did, there was a gleam in his eyes. The corners of his mouth curved and he said, "It's done."

The other busy employees around hadn't noticed Fade's words yet. Fade raised his voice, he raised his arms, and said, "We made

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it. It's done! The substitute medicine was a success."

Suddenly, the whole lab quieted down. Then, people burst into ecstasy and rushed toward Fade, cheering and shouting.

"We made it! We made it!"

"This month's hard work was not in vain."

"Haha, I'm so delighted. We made it. The citizens of Dragonville are saved."

"Dr. Chen, hurry up, hurry up and announce the good news!"

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Fade smiled and said, "There's no need to announce the news in a hurry. Now, the first thing we should do is to mass-produce the medicine and ensure that all citizens of Dragonville have access to it."

"Yes, yes, mass production. This is the most important thing."

"In terms of mass production, I don't know if we can make it."

"Don't worry. Dr. Chen's expertise is Chinese medicine. As long as the raw materials are sufficient, it will be easy to produce."

"Is there enough raw materials? I remember that one of them seems to be much rarer!"

"Don't worry. Dr. Chen already contacted other cities and brought a batch of herbs. They're definitely enough for now."

"That's great. Let's start production as soon as possible."

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Then, Fade informed the relevant departments in Long City about the news. Almost all capable companies immediately commenced work diligently, mass-producing the substitute medicine.

At the same time, Loomis received a phone call from his cousin, Leslie. Loomis was in the office of the Maritime Ocean Pharma's Dragonville Branch.

Leslie was somewhat displeased. He said, "Loomis, you've been there for a month. Have they given up yet?"

Loomis said, "There is a group of Chinese Medicine practitioners in Dragonville. They said that they are going to develop a substitute medicine. I think they are thinking that they have a glimmer of hope, they are still struggling to break through."

Leslie said, "Don't drag on any longer. Mr. Norton from Bald Eagle Pharma is already dissatisfied. You should solve the problem over there as soon as possible, understand?"

"Okay, Leslie. I'll take action right away. Now, all the hospitals in Dragonville are on the brink of collapse. As long as I pressure them more, they will definitely all meet their downfalls. At that time, they will come to cooperate with us even if they don't want to," Loomis replied to his cousin.

Leslie said, "Since you already have an idea, do as you say. Be quick on your toes."

"Yes!" Loomis hung up, then called his assistant, Henry, ordering, "Prepare a press conference for me, just specify that I have something important to announce tomorrow."

"Yes!" Henry replied. He then turned around and went on to attend to the matter.

Before he did, Loomis ordered, "Also, remember to leak some news. Say that the press conference tomorrow will be the final deadline we gave. If Dragonville refuses to cooperate, we will move out of Dragonville. At that time, even if they have the money,



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they won't be able to buy the medicine."

After all, Henry was from Dragonville. When he heard the news, he was stunned. He said, "Director Chiang, in this case, I'm afraid that many people in Dragonville will die. Why don't we..."

Loomis glared at him and said coldly, "Whether they live or die has nothing to do with me! Besides, they should blame themselves. After all, it's Dragonville who doesn't agree to our terms and refused to cooperate."

Henry still wanted to say something, but Loomis ordered, "Get to work."

Henry could only lower his head. He had no choice but to work on the task at hand.

After a while, the media that had received the news went into an uproar.

The news began to spread via newspapers, magazines, TV channels, and the internet. The crowd was talking about the final deadline, and they couldn't help but feel panicked.

Particularly the family members of patients who had begun to gather at the front of major hospitals and the public health department. They requested that the government cooperate with Maritime Ocean Pharma, buy the antibiotics, and save their relatives and friends.

For a moment, Dragonville was in a mess. It was like a bomb that was about to explode at any moment.

In this urgent situation, at ten the next morning, Loomis held a press conference in the Maritime Ocean Pharma branch.

Seeing the bustling reporters below the stage and the leaders in Dragonville with a gloomy face, Loomis remained calm and collected. He even smiled and said, "Please quiet down. I have important news to announce."

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The crowd quieted down. Everyone's eyes, as well as the cameras, were all focused on Loomis at the moment. Loomis smiled confidently. His eyes looked over and fell on the head of the hospital and the Minister of Health. Then he said, "I think you all know something about the negotiation between Maritime Ocean Pharma and the relevant departments of Dragonville."

Everyone nodded, and Loomis continued, "At first, we are eager to cooperate with Dragonville with a warm and sincere attitude. However, after several negotiations, we still failed to reach an agreement. Thus, it is with utmost regret for me to announce that our cooperation is over."

As soon as he finished, the room burst into uproar.

After all, although there were rumors that Maritime Ocean Pharma would end the cooperation, the people refused to believe in the rumors. However, as Loomis had personally confirmed it, it had materialized into reality.

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For a while, countless reporters bombarded Loomis with all sorts of queries.

"Director Chiang, is Maritime Ocean Pharma really withdrawing from the Dragonville market?"

"Does Maritime Ocean Pharma have any follow-up measures in place with regards to the supply of the Alstom Antibiotic?"

"Director Chiang, did you really fall out with the leaders of Dragonville?"

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Having faced with an abundance of questions, Loomis feigned a look of disappointment. He shifted his gaze toward the leaders of Dragonville and said, "We did not want this to happen either. Some people just don't want to cooperate with Maritime Ocean Pharma, and there is nothing we can do about it. Thus, we have no choice but to withdraw from Dragonville."

With this, Loomis looked at the leaders of the relevant departments. Obviously, the people he was talking about had been them.

In an instant, he shifted the blame on the leaders in question.

The reporters directed their microphones at the leaders, and flooded the leaders with all sorts of questions.

"Mr. Hu, why did your hospital refuse to cooperate? Do you really not care about the health of your patients?"

"Chief Qin, may I ask if your department is equipped with any kind of relevant countermeasures that can fill the vacancy that

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Maritime Ocean Pharma will leave upon their departure from Dragonville?"

"In the face of the current shortage of Alstom Antibiotic, do you have any specific solution to combat this issue?"

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Facing the crowd's intense questioning, those officers- in- charge grimaced, but they held their stance and began their explanations.

However, before they could finish, there was a loud noise coming from the exit of the conference hall. Consequently, a group of people holding banners barged in.

As soon as the people entered, they started yelling all kinds of slogans aloud.

"We are the family members of the patients. We are requesting for their lives to be saved!"

"I want an explanation from the board of the hospital. Why did you not save my father?!"

"We are asking for cooperation! We want the antibiotics to save the patients."

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For a moment, the scene that was already chaotic, became more tumultuous.

On the stage, Loomis smiled, his expression getting increasingly conceited. After all, he was the one who arranged these so-called family members of patients to put up a good show.

In the face of the family members, the officers-in-charge could only repeat the explanation they had provided the reporters with.

However, these people refused to listen. They continued to protest endlessly.

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"I don't believe that the price of the medicine is that high! I think that you must have embezzled the money!"

"That's right. This is a huge city, so you must have collected an abundance of tax money every year. Do we really not have the money to buy a bit of the medicine?"

"You just don't want to save the commoners, you've never treated us as human beings!"

"Quit! If you can't do your job, step down."

"I don't care, these must have been your excuses."

"That's right. The antibiotics came from abroad, to begin with. The antibiotics from Micovia ensures good quality, it's not a big deal if it's slightly expensive. You just don't want to save the lives of your own people!"

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Having to face these unreasonable remarks, the officers-in-charge were very distressed, and their faces looked extremely gloomy. However, they could only explain it repeatedly.

Someone turned to Loomis and began to cry and beg.

"Director Chiang, those officers don't care about us. I beg you, please save us!"

"Director Chiang, you work for a big company that does a lot of charity each year. Please help us this time."

"We will definitely support Maritime Ocean Pharma in the future. Please, give us another chance."

"No matter how much money it costs, we will buy it. I just want to save my father."

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Loomis pretended to be in a dilemma, "I have heard everyone's thoughts. However, I can't decide on this alone. I will need to report the situation to my superiors. Please give me some time, alright?"

After that, Loomis fished out his mobile phone and made a phone call.

Consecutively, he hung up and announced, "Everyone, I just called our headquarters and reported the situation in Dragonville. They have contacted the person-in-charge at Bald Eagle Pharma company."

"They have heard about what happened here. They are also concerned. Therefore, they have decided to make a certain concession. We will cut the price down by 10 percent."

"This price is already lower than the price marketed outside. We have done all that we can, but it still boils down to the leaders of Dragonville on whether this city intends to cooperate with us."

While speaking, Loomis looked toward the people in charge.

Immediately, everyone eyes fell on them. The reporters and the so-called family members of the patients all crowded over.

"They have already compromised by lowering the price. Hurry up and agree. What are you still fussing over with?"

"How can you guys even be considered as local officials? The foreigners care more about our lives than you!"

"Maritime Ocean Pharma is being very sincere. Why are you guys still in a dilemma?"

"This is the last chance. It will be too late to regret it if Maritime Ocean Pharma really quits Dragonville!"

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When bombarded with such blames and criticisms, the expressions on the officers-in-charge of Dragonville darkened.

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How could the officers not see that this was all a facade Loomis put on to force them to sign the so-called deal? The ten percent discount was not worth mentioning in the face of the quadrupled increase of price.

Moreover, if they really bought the medicine at the price offered, Dragonville's municipal medical treasury would not be able to afford it.

Even so, if the officers explained it now, it would just be a false excuse in the eyes of the patients' families.

The personnel were in a dilemma.

On the stage, the arrogant smile on Loomis' face widened. His plan worked, it had been more than effective.

The public had gotten increasingly agitated, some people even started to provoke the officers-in-charge. The anger and desperation that had been accumulated in the people of Dragonville over a long time was at breaking point!

Loomis's eyes gleamed, as if victory was almost within his grasp.

Just when he was secretly dancing in triumph, a stern voice resounded from the outside. "Quiet down."

Then, a group of people in white coats sauntered into the venue with stern expressions.

The man leading the group was Fade.

When everyone notice Fade's arrival, their gazes fixated on him.

The reporters came over one after another.

"President Chen, why are you here?"

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"President Chen, can your group keep up with the supply of the Life Elixir Wine?"

"President Chen, I heard that you are leading the development of the substitute medicine. Any updates?"

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Loomis's face fell when he saw Fade and the group of people coming over. He looked at them darkly as his expression turned gloomy.



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Fade walked to the center of the stage, gesturing for the crowd to calm down. The crowd immediately fell into silence.

Fade's imposing manner made Loomis frown. Loomis had a bad feeling about Fade's arrival.

Fade said, "I know that you are all very concerned about the Alstom Antibiotic. I'm here for this matter today."

As soon as they heard that Fade had come to address the issue with the antibiotics, everyone got excited. The conference regained its rowdiness.

"Mr. Chen, are you going to continue with the mass production of the Life Elixir Wine?"

"Mr. Chen, may I ask ask about your thoughts on this?"

"Mr. Chen, do you support the cooperation between the Dragonville municipality and Maritime Ocean Pharma?"

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Listening to these questions, Loomis also became interested in hearing Fade's answer.

Fade's expression chilled. He glanced at Loomis and snapped, "Cooperate with Maritime Ocean Pharma? That's impossible!"

As soon as he said that, the reporters burst into an uproar.

"Mr. Chen, are you saying that you oppose the cooperation between Dragonville city and Maritime Ocean Pharma?"

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"Mr. Chen, can you tell me the reason why?"

"Mr. Chen, Maritime Ocean Pharma has proposed such a good offer, but you're even objecting it. I'm disappointed."

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Hearing these, Fade sneered and said, "A good offer? Are you ignorant or are you just an imbecile?"

"The original price is several hundred yuan, but now the price has shot up to five thousand yuan. The good offer that you are talking about makes me wonder if you had your maths taught by your Physical Education teacher?" Fade shot back.

Suddenly, everyone who had been present at the conference fell into silence and subsequently lowered their heads.

A lot of the people started to analyze the offer proposed. Sure enough, they had been blinded by the façade of a discount. Having heard Fade's wake up call, they realized that the so-called discount was not worth mentioning in the face of the ridiculous price.

Loomis' face crumbled. He quickly sent winked meaningfully to a couple of people in the crowd.

Almost immediately, someone came forward to ask Fade, "Mr. Chen, you are against the cooperation. How about the illness of the commoners? Are we going to drag on like this? Or should we buy your Life Elixir Wine?"

When he threw out the question, he paused in deliberation. Then, he popped a question out of the blue, "Mr. Chen's Life Elixir Wine has gotten a lot of sales during this time of crisis, hasn't it?"

His words were misleading as it had an underlying malice beneath it.

There was no doubt that he was suggesting to everyone that the reason why Fade had opposed to the cooperation was on the basis that he wanted to sell his Life Elixir Wine. The man hinted that it was the instinct of businessmen to seize this opportunity

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to make a fortune, and that Fade did not care about everyone's health at all.

Sure enough, the crowd looked at Fade suspiciously, they started whispering amongst each other, their prior opinions had also changed.

"I hadn't thought of the fact that he is the one who manufactures the Life Elixir Wine."

"Yes, as long as we don't cooperate, the sales of Life Elixir Wine will continue to rise."

"I thought he was speaking for us, it turns out to be a business tactic huh?"

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How could Fade not see through his opponent's scheme? He glared at the member of the audience who spoke and chided, "Nonsense."

"The sales of Life Elixir Wine have increased during this period of time. However, I would never take the opportunity and raise prices to exploit everyone's hard-earned money.... like a certain someone."

"President Chen, so you have a glib tongue!" The man still didn't believe him. He continued to satirize Fade.

Fade glanced at him coldly before he said, "Everyone suspects that the increased promotion of Life Elixir Wine was to increase profits. I'll tell you that this is absolutely impossible."

When the man heard Fade's words, he was about to refute.

However, Fade continued, "Think about it. There's been a high demand for the Life Elixir Wine. What was the price of the wine in the market? What's the price now? Do you think those vendors will give up on profiteering and lower the price for no reason?"

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Such a question made everyone rack their minds. They started discussing amongst each other.

"It was true that some time ago, the price of Life Elixir Wine ranged between ten to twenty thousand yuan. Some may have spent thirty to forty thousand yuan to be able to get a bottle."

"During this period, it seems that all of them have gotten back to their original price of 500 yuan for one bottle."

"I've read the news. It's because Mr. Chen has curbed the vendors from raising the prices. That's why the price dropped."

"Mr. Chen didn't oppose cooperation because he wanted to make a fortune at all. Otherwise, he would've doubled the price of the Life Elixir Wine and everyone would still have no choice but to buy it."

"That guy, you've misunderstood Mr. Chen. You should apologize."

"Yes, hurry up and apologize!"

"You're not apologizing. Did you do it on purpose?"

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Facing the pressure from the crowd, the man's face fell. He could only apologize to Fade.

The situation at the scene settled down again. Loomis scowled. After all, his carefully planned plan was going to work soon. However, Fade rushed over with a group of people and ruined his plan.

This infuriated Loomis. He didn't want to drag on any longer. He looked at the leaders of Dragonville and said, "Our press conference has a time limit. I wonder if you will accept the terms that I proposed?"

"If you still refuse to accept it, Maritime Ocean Pharma will officially withdraw from the market of Dragonville."

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Loomis was bluntly pressurizing the leaders to come to a decision.

Following what Loomis had said, the crowd that had been calmed down by Fade started stirring again.

"Mr. Chen is right. Maritime Ocean Pharma is wicked."

"But there's nothing we can do about it. Without the antibiotics, are we just going to die like this?"

"Yeah, Mr. Chen, you are right, but you did not provide us with a solution. We can only remain under their malicious manipulation!"

"Just buy it. If you buy it, you can save your life. What's the use of money if we lose our lives?"

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As the crowd discussed the matter, the officials of Dragonville felt pressured and their expressions became stern.

On the stage, Loomis smiled with ease. "We don't have much time. Could you please decide it as soon as possible?"

Loomis had the situation completely under control again. However, the group of experts who came with Fade whispered something to the officials.

A smile appeared on the officials' faces. Their stern expressions eased up all at once.

Seeing this, Loomis, who was on the stage, felt that something was amiss. The muscles on his face twitched.

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Fade sneered when he saw Loomis's worried expression. He said loudly, "With regards to everyone's safety, you don't have to worry about it at all."

"Mr. Chen, what do you mean?"

"Do you have a way of acquiring the Alstom Antibiotic from other channels, Mr. Chen?"

"Mr. Chen is a doctor. He can definitely cure our disease."

"But Mr. Chen is only a one man team, how would he have the time to treat so many of us?"

"Wasn't there some news about Mr. Chen leading the production of an alternative medicine? Could it be—"

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Just as everyone was busy speculating, the two men in white robes who had been standing behind Fade proceeded to retrieve a box of medicine, and then they walked onto the stage.

Fade announced, "Everyone, you can stop worrying now. Our team has invented a medicine that is able to replace Alstom Antibiotics."

As soon as he said that, the crowd burst into an uproar. Everyone was shocked.

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"They actually came up with one. I thought it was impossible?"

"I heard that there were hundreds of experts in Capital City who have been researching for months, and they haven't been able to make any progress. Dr. Chen has only been researching for a month, right? Isn't this quick?"

"Dr. Chen's medical skills are excellent. I believe in him."

"Dr. Chen, hurry and show us the medicine!"

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The audience was ecstatic. On the stage, Loomis's face contorted. His facial muscles twitched a few times as his eyes were fixated on Fade.

He had been reckless due to the patent rights for Alstom Antibiotics. There was no way that Chinese citizens could develop this kind of medicine.

However, Fade's announcement that he had successfully developed a substitute medicine, also meant that he had overturned the trump card of Maritime Ocean Pharma. The news was even a threat to Bald Eagle Pharma, who had been backing their company in Jade City.

For a moment, Loomis panicked.

He was hoping that what Fade said was fake and that he was only lying to stabilize the current situation. After all, Loomis knew very well how difficult it was to develop a new medicine.

Fade knew that everyone was skeptical. He explained, "The medicine we have developed is made solely from Chinese medicine. It sells at a fair price and is more effective than the Alstom Antibiotics. Unlike its Western counterparts, there are no side

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effects."

"We named this medicine the Ephedra Syrup. At 1 p.m. today, it will officially be released onto the market. You can buy it from major hospitals and pharmacies in Dragonville. The supply is guaranteed to be sufficient."

The people present cheered, while Loomis's expression became more and more gloomy.

He was trying to figure out a way to defeat Fade.

However, while Loomis was still thinking, Fade said, "As to the effects of the Ephedra Syrup, I can give a live demonstration right now."

As he spoke, Fade chose a random patient from the crowd. Under the watchful gaze of countless reporters, he gave the syrup to the patient.

Within less than ten minutes, the patient's cough and fever were obviously relieved, and the color returned to his face.

The effect of the Ephedra Syrup was evident, which dispelled the suspicion in people's hearts. Loomis could no longer stand still and do nothing about the situation. He rushed down from the stage, dialing hurriedly on his mobile phone. Obviously, he was reporting the situation to his superior.

In his haste, he stumbled and fell to the ground with a crash, which immediately resulted in a burst of laughter from the crowd.

However, Loomis did not care about the pain and embarrassment. Holding his mobile phone, he reported what had happened.

As he left, the press conference he had planned had totally gotten out of hand.

Fade immediately became the focus of everyone's attention. The reporters and the family members of the patient rushed up one



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after another.

Fade patiently answered their questions. At the same time, all the media in Dragonville began to promote the Ephedra Syrup.

On the TV, the Internet, newspapers, magazines, posters and banners on the street, hospitals and pharmacies, all started promoting the Ephedra Syrup.

The previously anxiety-ridden atmosphere in Dragonville had lightened up tremendously with this current development. Since it had been tried and tested, and proven to be highly effective, news of the Ephedra Syrup began to spread like wildfire across the city.

Thanks to the Ephedra Syrup, the medical expenses of hospitals had decreased.

As for Maritime Ocean Pharma, no one cared about their antibiotics.

Moreover, unlike what was said in the previous press conference, some sources found out that they had no intention to withdraw from Dragonville at all.

This confirmed everyone's suspicions that Loomis Chiang had arranged the press conference to threaten Dragonville.

The people in Dragonville were enraged. Many took to acts of vandalism to express their displeasure. The glass of the company was often broken, and the doors and walls would be splashed with paint or even dung.

Fade was busy with the mass production of the Ephedra Syrup as well the reporting of relevant research and development results.

After all, Dragonville was not the only city short of the Alstom Antibiotics. The whole country was in urgent need of antibiotics. However, as Dragonville was the one being targeted, its situation had been especially severe.

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Fade wanted to distribute the Ephedra Syrup throughout the whole country as soon as possible as in order to solve the shortage of Alstom Antibiotics. In doing so, Bald Eagle Pharma could no longer threaten the pharmaceutical industry in China.

On the other hand, Fade had a bigger idea.

The Bald Eagle Pharma had made use of the patent rights of Alstom Antibiotics to threaten dozens of countries all over the world.

Since he has now developed a substitute medicine which was even more effective, if he could promote the Ephedra Syrup throughout the whole world, he could take over the global market right away. This was especially true considering that some countries were under a similar threat whereby Bald Eagle Pharma had been monopolizing the market with their patent rights.

If things went as he planned, Fade might become a magnate in the pharmaceutical industry that could compete with Bald Eagle Pharma.

However, the idea was too massive to be realized in a short span of time. Therefore, the most important thing to do right now was to distribute the Ephedra Syrup across the whole country.

Fade didn't know much about bureaucratic procedures, so he entrusted this part of the job to Daphne Tao and Principal Hu, while he poured all of his attention into the production of the Ephedra Syrup.

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Ephedra Syrup sold like hot cakes in Dragonville. In less than three days, it had completely replaced Alstom Antibiotic.

Because of the incident, the share prices of Maritime Ocean Pharma in Jade City plummeted. It had fallen by billions in market value, which threw the whole company into distress.

In the past few days, Loomis Chiang had been contacting the headquarters of Maritime Ocean Pharma and Bald Eagle Pharma to discuss the countermeasures for the situation. In doing so, he finally managed to calm down somewhat.

In the office, he hung up the phone. After a moment of silence, he waved his hand and called Henry Hu over, saying, "I want to meet Fade. Tell him that I have something to discuss with him."

When Henry heard this, he was startled and said softly, "Director Chiang, do you really want to meet Fade? I'm afraid that he is currently—"

Loomis said, "Just say that I have something beneficial for him, a huge proposal. In the face of such a massive profit, I don't believe that he won't be tempted."

Henry still wanted to say something, but when he saw Loomis's cold eyes, he immediately swallowed his words and nodded. "Okay, I'll go immediately."

Loomis nodded, then called his secretary and ordered, "Ask the driver to wait for me at the entrance of the company. I'm going to

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the airport to pick someone up."

The secretary hesitated and said, "Director Chiang, it may not be convenient at the entrance of the company. Why don't we ask the driver to wait for you at the back door?"

Hearing this, Loomis was furious and he yelled, "I am the director of Maritime Ocean Pharma. Why can't I use the company's entrance? Do you have anything against me?"

The secretary explained, "No, of course not. Paint and manure have been splashed at the entrance of the company, and we haven't cleaned it yet, so-"

Hearing this, Loomis remembered that he and his company had become targets of hatred in Dragonville. Everyone despised them.

Not only was the front door of the company splashed with faeces, but even Loomis's car had been splashed with manure.

He knitted his eyebrows. He said, "Then let's leave through the back door."

"Yes, I'll arrange it right away!" the secretary replied.

The next morning, the second floor was once again reserved in the busy Harmony Hotel in the center of Dragonville.

However, it was not Fade Chen, but Loomis Chiang who had reserved it.

Loomis kept glancing at his watch as he sat in the room. He couldn't help frowning and he said, "Why hasn't Fade arrived yet? This Chen person is so arrogant."

Beside him, Henry explained in a low voice, "Director Chiang, there are still ten minutes before the appointed time."

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"Moreover, Young Master Calvin showed up half an hour late the last time he was supposed to meet Fade. I'm worried that Fade might..." Henry stopped talking.

Loomis immediately understood Henry's meaning and said unhappily, "You mean, Fade will be deliberately late this time in order to get back at us."

Considering this, Loomis wanted to leave. Nevertheless, when he thought of the task assigned by his cousin, he could only sit and wait anxiously.

As time went by, Loomis looked at his watch again and again. Every minute felt like an eternity.

Until the last minute, there was still no sign of Fade. Loomis's face darkened. He gritted his teeth and whispered, "Is Fade really playing tricks with me?"

"Isn't he just a brat who learned a little about Chinese Medicine? He's putting on airs in front of me!" Loomis muttered discontentedly.

Just then, footsteps were heard from the doorway. Fade, Daphne, and Mr. Tu stepped into the room.

They had arrived right at the last second.

Seeing this, Loomis couldn't help but say, "President Chen, you're here on time! Not even a second late."

Fade glanced at Loomis and said, "Not even a second late. It's better than someone who was late for half an hour!"

There was no doubt that he was talking about the last meeting with Calvin.

Loomis changed the topic. He forced a smile and said, "I have something important to discuss with you, President Chen."

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"Something important!" Fade glanced sideways disdainfully and said, "Director Chiang, please tell me what it is!" Seeing this, Loomis suppressed his dissatisfaction and anger towards Fade and said, "It's a good thing that can bring you a fortune. I'm wondering if you will be interested in it."

"Making a fortune... Of course I'm interested in it." Fade dragged his voice deliberately.

Hearing this, Loomis smiled and said, "Since you are interested, I won't beat around the bush. Let's get straight to the point."

"Maritime Ocean Pharma wants to buy the patents for your Ephedra Syrup."

After that, Loomis looked at Fade, feeling confident.

Fade tapped his fingers on the armrest and said, "Selling you the patents for the Ephedra Syrup! Director Chiang, do you think that's possible?"

"You just used the patent rights of Alstom Antibiotics to threaten Dragonville. Now, you want to buy my Ephedra Syrup patents."

"Do you think I'm a fool? Selling the patents to you, so that you can continue to threaten us?"

At the end of his sentence, Fade raised his voice with a hint of anger.

Loomis hurriedly made a placating gesture and said, "No need to be mad, President Chen. If we purchase the Ephedra Syrup patents, we guarantee that we will ensure a sufficient supply in Dragonville."

"Sufficient supply in Dragonville. What about the other places? You might pull a similar stunt like what you guys did before," Fade said in a cold voice.

Loomis waved his hand and said, "It seems that you misunderstood us. Maritime Ocean Pharma is a business company after all."

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Those were just business means."

"Regarding the patent purchase of the Ephedra Syrup, we are making the proposal with total sincerity!" Loomis said.

Fade shook his head and said, "I don't believe in your sincerity. I'd rather donate the patent to the government, than sell it to you!"

Hearing this, Loomis smiled and said, "President Chen, you must be kidding. Although I am from Jade City, I do know how things work here. After spending so much effort to develop Ephedra Syrup, if you give it to the government now, I am afraid that you would only be rewarded with a couple million yuan and an honor award at most."

"However, it's different with us. Maritime Ocean Pharma genuinely wants to negotiate and cooperate with you."

"In order to show our sincerity, I will give you a hint." Saying this, Loomis extended a palm and said with a smile, "As long as you are willing to sell the patent to us, this amount of money will be yours soon."

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"Five. Five million? Fifty million?" Fade wore an unreadable expression, even his tone was nonchalant.

Loomis, however, looked confident. He said to Fade, "Fifty million, in dollars."

"I hope you find the offer to your satisfaction. Medicine patents in China are rarely worth this price." Loomis said with a smile on his face.

Fade held his chin in his right hand and seemed to be considering what Loomis had said. "Fifty million dollars, that's about three billion yuan. This offer seems like a high price indeed."

Hearing this, Loomis felt even surer about his offer. In his opinion, there was no way that Fade would disagree to so much money.

However, Fade raised his head to look at him with a mocking smile. He said, "The price is not bad indeed, but it's still not worth a mention to me."

Hearing this, the confident smile on Loomis's face disappeared, and his face fell.

He held back his dissatisfaction and said, "I know that you're a wealthy businessman. You hold a high position in Fei Enterprises Holdings Inc, and your net worth is over billions of dollars."

"Even so, fifty million dollars should not a small amount to you. I think it's too much for you to say that it's not even worth a



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mention. Maritime Ocean Pharma is genuinely interested in purchasing the patent." Loomis was suggesting that Fade should not be playing hard to get in order to raise the offered price.

However, in Fade's opinion, his consideration was completely unnecessary.

Fade had no intention to sell the Ephedra Syrup patents. Anyway, even if he ever wanted to do so, he would definitely not be selling it to Maritime Ocean Pharma.

So, when Fade saw Loomis's reaction, he couldn't help but laugh. He shook his head and said, "Director Chiang, you're making assumptions based on your own judgement. Do you think that others think the same way you do? You, who would do anything for the sake of monetary gain?"

"As for the Ephedra Syrup patent, I won't be selling it. Please leave," Fade said outright.

Loomis didn't expect Fade to refuse so decisively. He scowled and said, "Mr. Chen, I'm genuinely here to negotiate with you."

Fade shook his head and said, "I'm also genuinely unwilling to sell. Besides, even if I wanted to sell it, I would definitely not sell it to a company like Maritime Ocean Pharma, who doesn't care about people at all."

"You—" Hearing Fade humiliate his company, Loomis was enraged.

However, Fade did not want to argue with him at all. He stood up and prepared to leave.

Loomis panicked. He knew that Ephedra Syrup was a threat to Alstom Antibiotics, and it was worth a fortune. Therefore, he wanted to buy the Ephedra Syrup patent as soon as possible.

Loomis stood up from his seat and shouted, "Stop, you can't leave!"

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Fade turned around. He looked at Loomis and said in a chilly voice, "Why, are you going to force me to sell the patent?" Loomis's face darkened. He threatened, "President Chen, our company is determined to acquire the patents for the Ephedra Syrup. If you insist not to sell, we don't mind resulting to other means."

Upon hearing this, Fade raised his eyebrows and said, "Are you threatening me?"

Loomis snorted coldly. At the moment, he regained his previous arrogant attitude. "You can think of it as such."

"Fade, I'll tell you the truth. Ephedra Syrup has disrupted the plans which Maritime Ocean Pharma has set into motion within the country. Therefore, this is an obstacle we must remove, no matter the cost." Loomis threatened him without holding back.

A hint of anger flashed in Fade's eyes, and he said in a low voice, "Since you are so confident, you can have a try. Let's see who ends up being the one removed."

After that, Fade left.

Loomis was boiling with anger and his eyes were full of hatred. He smashed the tea set against the table, and the broken pieces fell to the ground.

Loomis returned to the company.

He walked to the managing director's office and knocked on the door respectfully, "Mr. Norton, I'm back."

A voice replied in English, "Come in."

Loomis pushed the door open and walked into the office. A middle-aged caucasian man was seated behind the desk.

The foreigner had sparse blond hair, a large reddish nose, and wore a casual outfit. With a gentle smile on his face, he looked like

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a normal foreigner.

However, in front of this foreigner, Loomis was extremely respectful. He bowed and greeted, "Mr. Norton."

This seemingly unremarkable foreigner was the Managing Director of Bald Eagle Pharma in the Asian region. His approval was crucial in order for Maritime Ocean Pharma to be able to import their foreign medicine.

It could be said that half of the business of Bald Eagle Pharma depended on Norton.

Therefore, Loomis did not dare to show any disrespect in front of Norton.

Norton looked quite kind. He waved to Loomis and said, "Chiang, don't be so nervous. Relax."

"Oh yes, tell me, what's the outcome of the negotiation?" Norton asked.

Loomis's expression tensed, and his shoulders trembled slightly. He took a breath and said, "Mr. Norton, the negotiation did not succeed. I have already..."

After listening to Loomis's explanation, Norton was not angry. Instead, he smiled and said, "It's expected. I will negotiate in person."

Hearing this, Loomis was flabbergasted. He asked, "Mr. Norton, you want to negotiate in person? Is there a need to have such high regard for Fade Chen?"

Norton shook his head and said, "I don't value him. What I value is that Ephedra Syrup."

"Ephedra Syrup!" Loomis was confused. "Although medicine is effective, it's just Chinese medicine. Is it that good? With the power of Bald Eagle Pharma, it's not difficult to destroy the medicine, isn't it?"

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Norton looked at Loomis and said, "I've sent someone to test that medicine. Its effect is beyond my expectation. It's much better than Alstom Antibiotic."

"This medicine has great potential, so we can't give it any chance to develop and grow. We can either buy it or destroy it," Norton said. His kind eyes gleamed, revealing the true nature of this domineering international managing director.

Upon hearing this, Loomis was shocked.

Although he thought highly of Ephedra Syrup, he didn't expect that Norton would think so highly of it.

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Having a flash of inspiration, Norton returned to his kind expression. He wore a smile at the corner of his lips, seemingly in good spirits.

Loomis Chiang came to his senses and said immediately, "Mr. Norton, I'll arrange to meet Fade right away."

He paused for a moment, and went on, "However, the previous negotiations with Fade went pretty badly. If we look for him again, I'm afraid..."

Norton shook his head and interrupted, "I have an idea."

"Mr. Norton, what are you trying to..." Loomis was confused.

Norton smiled, "I'll visit Fade in person."

"In person?" Loomis was surprised, "Mr. Norton, you—"

Norton stood up and ordered, "Go fetch the car. We'll leave right away!"

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After the meeting, Fade Chen bid goodbye to Daphne Tao and Mr. Tu. As soon as he returned to his office, his secretary came knocking on his door. "President Chen, you have a visitor."

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"Who is it?" Fade asked.

The secretary replied, "It is Loomis Chiang from Maritime Ocean Pharma."

"Loomis, why is he here?" Fade frowned and wondered.

After all, their discussion had just ended.

The secretary added, "There is a foreigner who came with him. His name is Norton."

"A foreigner? Norton?" Fade pondered about it and still, he didn't know who this foreigner was. Although he was curious, he still waved his hand dismissively "I don't want to see them, tell them to leave."

The secretary nodded and went to deliver the message.

However, before the secretary was able to reach them, she saw Loomis and Norton walking towards her.

"Sir, you can't..." The secretary was about to stop them.

Loomis shouted, "I want to see President Chen!" Then he reached out and pushed the secretary away.

When Fade saw this, he warned icily, "President Chen, you're not at Maritime Ocean Pharma. Watch your actions."

As he spoke, Fade waved his arm and sent forth an invisible strength that pushed Loomis back.

Loomis stumbled and almost fell.

Loomis was furious. He glared at Fade, "Fade, how dare you?"

Fade sneered, "This is my office, you are trespassing on my property. This is the lightest punishment. Do you perhaps want to

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try a heavier punishment?"

"You—" Loomis was infuriated, he was close to blowing up.

Right at this moment, Norton appeared with a smile on his face, he spoke in Chinese and apologized to Fade, "President Chen, I'm sorry for our reckless behaviour."

'Now, Let me introduce myself. I'm Norton. I was wondering if you would have some time for a talk with us?" As he spoke, Norton passed a business card to the secretary.

The secretary brought the business card to Fade. Fade glanced at the contents of the business card.

When Fade's gaze fell on the title of "Managing Director of Bald Eagle Pharma in the Asian region", his face lit up, and he looked at Norton.

Norton was smiling, wearing an expression full of confidence.

Fade remained silent for a moment. After a while, he said, "Cut to the chase, speak."

Hearing this, Loomis was boiling in rage, "Fade, what kind of attitude is this?"

"Do you know who Norton is? How can you be so rude?"

Fade said coldly, "I don't care if he is the Managing Director or the CEO. If you got nothing, then get out of here."

"You—" Loomis pointed at Fade and was furious.

As for Norton, he remained smiling. He calmed Loomis and continued, "Since Mr. Chen said so, I'll say this outright."

"Bald Eagle Pharma wants to cooperate with you, Mr. Chen. It is about the Ephedra Syrup that you have recently developed. We

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would like to..."

Before he could finish, Fade frowned. He interrupted, "If this is about buying the patents for the Ephedra Syrup, there's no need to go on. I will not consent to it."

Norton smiled and said, "Mr. Chen, don't be in such a hurry to refuse. Why don't you listen to the contents of our offer?"

"I won't agree to any of your offers." Fade waved his hand in rejection.

Seeing this, Loomis was raging once again. "Fade, are you aware of what you are doing? This is Mr. Norton we are talking about here, this might be your only chance to..."

Norton dismissed Loomis and went on, "I know that you are wise enough to understand the potential of the syrup. So I'll go straight to the point. Bald Eagle Pharma wants the patent of the Ephedra Syrup to..."

"It's impo...?" Fade interrupted.

Before Fade Chen could finish his words, Norton persisted, "We're not going to buy the patent. Instead, we want to cooperate with you by profit distribution."


"Mr. Chen, if you agree, we shall pay you 100 million dollars. After that, you will also receive 5% from the net profits of the medicine sales."

Loomis was shocked when he heard Norton.

He was someone who worked in the pharmaceutical industry. Of course he knew how great Norton's offer was.

In the pharmaceutical industry, many laboratories and scientists would come up with various pharmaceutical formulations.



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However, due to a lack of resources for mass development, most of the formulations would end up being sold to major pharmaceutical companies.

There were usually two methods of selling the formulation.

The first method was a one-off transaction. It would require the full payment and complete transfer of the patents. After that, the patent right of the drug would belong to the pharmaceutical company entirely, and have nothing more to do with the original developers of the medicine.

The other method was by profit distribution. The pharmaceutical company would first pay a sum of money to the developer. Next, the profit of the medicine sales would be distributed between the pharmaceutical company and the developer. In other words, the higher the sales, the higher the amount of money received by the developer.

There was no doubt that the second method was more promising. After all, every product sold would bring profit to the developer. The profit would be long-term and more rewarding compared to the one-off method.

Therefore, any developer who was confident about his own formulation would want to sell his patent by profit distribution. In doing so, they can get more profit.

Both developers and pharmaceutical companies were well aware of this concept.

Therefore, most of the pharmaceutical companies preferred to buy patents in a one-off transaction.

If the other party did not agree, they would rather not buy it, or invest their own manpower to develop a similar formulation.

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Generally speaking, dealing with a huge pharmaceutical company is a pain in the neck. Thus, most of the developers would rather sell their patent in a one-off transaction.

After all, if the pharmaceutical company developed similar formulation, the original formulation of the developer would be worthless. Therefore, the one-off deal was still acceptable. After all, it was better than nothing.

For example, Bald Eagle Pharma bought Alstom Antibiotic in a one-off manner.

Although buying the patent in a one-off way was the norm, there were some exceptions to the case.

The pharmaceutical company would still agree on profit distribution if the patent had great potential to generate high profit to the company. Of course, this would only happen once in a blue moon.


However, now, Norton actually promised to purchase the patent using profit distribution.

Loomis Chuang was astounded. He didn't think that the Ephedra Syrup would be this important.

For a moment, he couldn't believe what he heard. He stared at Norton in disbelief. He was at a loss for words.

Fade was lost in thought. Although he didn't know much about the inner workings of the pharmaceutical industry, he knew that Norton's offer was obviously better than the 50 million dollars deal from before.

After a short silence, Fade shook his head and rejected once more, "I'll say it again. I won't sell it."

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Now, even Norton was surprised. An odd emotion flashed across his smiling face. He looked at Fade and repeated, "Mr. Chen, I don't think that you understand the value of this offer."

Loomis added right away, "Fade, listen carefully. This is a profit distribution contract with the Bald Eagle Pharma. You will instantly receive one billion dollars. What's more, you will get 5 percent of the total profit!"

"You know clearly that Bald Eagle Pharma is world-renowned. Taking Alstom Antibiotics as a basis, from just one-third of the total sales, you can already earn up to one billion dollars' worth of income in a year!"

"This is such a generous offer. Please reconsider your decision." Loomis said. He wished that he could straight up agree to this offer on behalf of Fade.

However, after listening to Loomis, Fade was determined. He shook his head and insisted, "I'll say it again. I won't sell it."

"Why? That will earn you a couple of billions of dollars!" Loomis couldn't help but question.

Fade's face turned cold. He looked at Loomis and asked, "Why? Aren't you ashamed to ask me why?"

"A couple of billions of dollars annually is a huge amount of money for me. But Bald Eagle Pharma would be getting much more than this."

"I believe that we are aware of the origins of this offer price. The antibiotics incident in Dragonville had recently just passed. I still remember how you forced the market to raise the price for the antibiotics."

"Although I like money, I have no interest in dirty cash, especially the kind of cash extorted from your own people." Fade thundered, "Leave. Now! If you still refuse to leave, don't blame me for being harsh."

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Loomis couldn't understand Fade. In his opinion, the previous incidents were common business tactics, and he had long been used to it. He didn't care for those who fell ill or died because of their own actions. After all, making money was his first priority.

Therefore, Loomis still wanted to persuade Fade.

Nevertheless, before he could speak, Norton stopped him and left without saying another word.

When the two walked out of Fei Enterprises Holdings Inc, Loomis was angry and confused. He raged, "Is Fade out of his mind? How could he walk away from such a great offer? That's unreasonable!"

Norton was gloomy. He grumbled, "It's funny to see a narrow-minded nationalist."

"Mr. Norton, what should we do now?" Loomis asked, "Shall we invest more into Alstom Antibiotic to crush Ephedra Syrup?"

A sinister smile appeared on Norton's usually amiable face, "I have a better idea."


"What are you going to do?" Loomis was puzzled.

Norton took out his phone and entered a bunch of complicated numbers. He had entered an encrypted channel. He spoke, "I'm Norton. Help me get to Blood Blade Killer Organization. I have a task for them..."

Upon hearing this, chills went down Loomis' spine.

Blood Blade Killer Organization was an internationally famous underground hitman organisation. As long as they were paid enough, the hitmen would take on any mission. In other words, they were outlaws who treasure money more than lives.

Norton actually hired a hitman from Blood Blade to finish off Fade. This was shocking to Loomis. At the same time, he felt that he had underestimated the importance of Ephedra Syrup.

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At the thought of this, Loomis had a strange hunch.

This reminded him of Henry Hu, so he called him up. "You're from Dragonville. Tell me about Fade."

Henry, who was on the other side of the phone, paused for a moment and said, "President Chiang, Mr. Chen came to Dragonville a few months ago. His status rose at a rapid pace. As time went by, his name became well-renowned in Long City. Moreover, a lot of major businesses families maintain a good relationship with him."

"How could he suddenly rise up out of nowhere?" Loomis frowned.

Henry thought for a moment and went on, "I heard that Mr. Chen is a master of martial arts. He has a close relationship with martial artists, especially the number one Sun Family in Long City. Some people even claim that Mr. Chen is the best master of martial arts in Long City."

As he heard this, Loomis' heart skipped a beat. He felt uneasy, and ordered Henry, "Find out more about Fade. The more detailed the better."

"Yes!" Henry hung up.

After that, Loomis went to Norton and informed him, "Mr. Norton, I just received some information about Fade."

"Go on!" Norton asked.

"Here's the thing. Fade is..." Loomis went on to tell everything he heard from Henry.

After listening, Norton was calm. He patted Loomis on the shoulder and reassured him, "Chiang, don't worry."

"In my opinion, the so-called master of martial arts in China is just a gimmick. I'm afraid that he can't even put up a fight against

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an ordinary soldier in Micovia."

"Besides, even if Fade is that good, the hitmen of Blood Blade Killer Organization are definitely masters of killing people. He would be nothing to them."

After that, Norton smiled confidently. He ordered the driver, "Drive us back to the company."

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Ever since Fade Chen rejected Norton, he had been paying more attention to Ephedra Syrup.

After all, if the Bald Eagle Pharma was willing to spend so much on the patent of Ephedra Syrup, it meant that it had a huge potential.

Therefore, Fade was more determined to promote the Ephedra Syrup to the whole country, and even to the whole world.

Of course, first, he had to complete the review report and increase its production.

After all, Dragonville was a huge town. Depending on Fade's company alone to produce Ephedra Syrup would not be sufficient to keep up with everyone's demand. Moreover, Alstom Antibiotics was now facing a shortage all over the country.

Therefore, he needed to promote Ephedra Syrup to the whole country as soon as possible, in order to reduce medical fees and save more patients. These were Fade's priorities.

Of course, it would be difficult to cope with the demand of the huge country. First of all, Ephedra Syrup needed to pass the examination to confirm that it met certain qualifications.

Usually, this examination would take up quite a long time. However, this time, it was an emergency. Fade had requested for the relevant personnel in Dragonville to rush to the Capital City to follow up on this.

Whereas Fade would be in the city, urging the production of the syrup.

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One day, Fade was busy solving some complications in the production factory.

Suddenly, a call came in. Fade saw that it was from Daphne Tao, so he picked up the phone right away and asked, "Hello, Dr. Tao, what's the matter?"

Daphne asked, "Dr. Chen, are you free tonight? There's a celebration in our city. It will be held in the Harmony Hotel tonight."

"A celebration?" Fade was surprised.

Daphne explained, "Our colleagues have worked hard to develop the Ephedra Syrup. They have been working for more than ten hours every day without any rest. I believe that everyone is tired, both physically and mentally."

"Now that the medicine has been successfully developed, everyone can finally take a rest. Hence, the leaders decided to hold a celebration. Everyone will gather together to celebrate and be rewarded for their contribution."

After he heard her, he nodded immediately. "Okay, I'll go once I have finished my work."

Although Fade was the biggest contributor in the development of the Ephedra Syrup, nevertheless, the other members of staff have also contributed a lot.

It was reasonable to hold a celebration and reward them for their efforts.


"Sure, Dr. Chen. Please give me a call when you arrive. I'll pick you up at the door," Dr. Tao said.

Fade hung up and went on with his work in the factory.

Fade planned to go home after work to take a shower before going to the party.

Unexpectedly, there was a problem on the assembly line, which cost him more than an hour.



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By the time Fade finished all of his work and came out from the factory, the celebration was already due to start in less than half an hour.

Fade looked at his dirty outfit and smiled bitterly. "There is not enough time. I have no choice but to go like this."

Fade was in his uniform when he drove all the way to Harmony Hotel.

When he arrived at the entrance of the hotel, he parked his car and called Daphne.

Soon, Daphne, who was dressed in an evening gown, walked out of the hotel. She looked around and was surprised to find Fade in such a state. "Uh... Dr. Chen, did you come here right after work?"

Fade looked at Daphne, who was usually in a white coat, seeing that she had changed into a close-fitting dress. Everyone around him was dressed to the nines.

He could do nothing but smile. "I'm sorry. Something came up, I didn't have the time to change, that's why I came in this. "

Daphne didn't know what to say. She smiled, "Well, come on in. You are the main contributor after all. No matter how you dress, I believe that you'll be fine."

With that, Daphne and Fade walked into the hotel side by side.

Right as they entered, a couple in their late-twenties greeted them with enthusiasm.

"Daphne, it's been such a long time! You're still beautiful as ever!" A woman in a red dress came to greet Daphne.

Daphne was surprised when she saw the woman. She greeted, "Oh my, Rita! It's been so long! Why are you here?"

They hugged as they greeted each other.

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"Someone invited me to this party, so I came to take a look." Rita Huang pointed to a tall man who was standing behind her. She introduced, "Daphne, meet my husband, Dylan Fan. He is in the medical business."

"Hello, glad to meet you." Daphne greeted him casually.

Then, she thought of Fade who was standing next to her. She introduced, "Rita, this is my friend, Fade Chen."

"Hello!" Fade nodded to them with a smile.

When Rita and Dylan saw Fade's outfit, their smiles froze. They retracted their hands that were intended for a handshake. They glanced at Fade and looked away right away. They had no intention of greeting him.

The attitude of Rita and Dylan had offended Fade and Daphne.

Since she was Daphne's former classmate, it was not nice for Daphne to show her displeasure. She could only say to Fade politely, "Let's go greet the people over there, shall we?"

Daphne and Fade were about to leave.

However, Rita didn't seem to understand the meaning of Daphne's words. She followed them happily, "Let's go together. It's better to know more people from the medical field!"

As she spoke, Dylan went on to walk next to her.

Rita beamed. She kept saying, "Daphne, back then, you were the top student in the class. Now, you are a famous doctor!"

"As for me, I have forgotten all the medical knowledge that I learned. I can only run a small business with my husband."

Daphne felt uneasy about Rita's enthusiastic attitude. She responded calmly, "Rita, it's good for you to run a business! After all,

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being a doctor is quite tiring."

Rita sighed. "It only looks good on the outside. To be honest, we don't earn a lot and we're barely getting by."