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Malcolm was temporarily stunned by Jasper's words.

"Independent?"

"No, that's inappropriate."

Malcolm's words shocked Jasper. "What exactly do you mean?"

Malcolm then said, "Now that the two systems are independent of each other, it might seem that there is no problem, and it can also prevent possible confusion in management. However, the most important thing is whether you are aware that JW's resources are actually unable to support a big business like Nokia."

Jasper chuckled and said, "I did consider this."

With more than ten years of experience in the development of the mobile phone industry in the later generations, Jasper was not really worried about the future of Nokia. Moreover, he was already the current boss of Nokia. As long as Nokia abandoned their old path and worked toward the direction that Apple was headed, it would be perfectly fine.

However, he obviously could not say this to Malcolm. Malcolm did not know Jasper's thoughts and he continued, "If JW wants to expand properly and become a multinational company, we must bring Nokia in."

"We should use JW Investment Company as the parent company to hold all the other businesses under it. This is a must in order to become a multinational group. The major benefit that Nokia can bring for JW is its global reputation."

"In terms of physical businesses, Nokia already has the ability to be recognized by people all over the world, but JW doesn't. Therefore,

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the most convenient and fastest way for JW to go abroad is to utilize Nokia's reputation and strength."

"Putting other aspects aside, Nokia already has branch offices and factories in dozens of countries around the world and these are resources that JW does not have. How much manpower, material and financial resources can JW save by taking advantage of this? Besides, if JW solely relies on its current subsidiaries, how many more years will it take in comparison?"

Malcolm's statement caused Jasper's expression to turn solemn. He had to admit that he did not consider the bigger picture thoroughly.

Despite this, Malcolm perfectly pointed out the problem that he did not take into consideration.

When he saw Jasper's tightly knit brows, Malcolm continued. "Boss, we can indeed avoid competition in resources by having separating both companies. However, the biggest difference between JW and the other companies is that our core resource is not about the brands or products under us, but yourself. And you definitely can't leave Nokia alone to manage itself. That's why we still need to take hold of whatever resources we can. The best solution is for JW to acquire Nokia entirely and restructure the distribution of resources in our own way."

More than ten minutes later, Malcolm walked out of Jasper's office.

On the same afternoon, a document issued by Jasper himself was delivered to all employees of all subsidiaries of JW.

Malcolm would no longer be the Chief Operating Officer of JW Investment Company and he would be promoted to Deputy Director to be in charge of assisting the Director in the company's daily operations and management.

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If this happened in other companies, such a promotion would actually be considered a demotion. Even a fool would know that the Chief Operating Officer had more power than the Deputy Director.

However, it was a different case for JW. Jasper seldom participated in the company's daily operations and management, so Malcolm was just holding the title of 'Deputy Director' while executing the power of a Director.

This position was privately referred to as the position of a potential successor by everyone in JW, and it was regarded as an important position for Jasper to test his potential successors.

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"Letting Malcolm take up this position seems like the most impossible yet most logical decision."

On the same night, Jasper explained to Wendy about his decision on their way back to the car.

"Having a bigger company is just like having a bigger forest, and there are many kinds of birds in the forest. The heads of the other branches might seem to be quiet, but who doesn't want to go one step further? Especially after the release of the news of the upcoming restructuring of JW's parent company. No matter how humble you are, you will still dream about being the next leader of this empire."

"To prevent power creep and internal friction, it's better to give out the position early. Right now, Malcolm is our best candidate."

Wendy nodded and said, "Because Malcolm is capable and respected by others, and most importantly, is a foreigner?"

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Jasper smiled. “Not just that, he isn’t that young anymore and with the restrictions of his nationality, it’s unlikely that we will train him to become the successor of JW. He is also well aware of this, that’s why his perspective is the most neutral and genuine.”

Wendy said with dissatisfaction, “You are still so young, why are you thinking about finding successors?”

Jasper shook his head and explained, “It’s not about that If JW were to not undergo restructuring, everything will remain as usual, but once we do, I must step down as the Director of the parent company and become the Chairman of the Board. Hence. there are definitely hungry eyes already staring at the director position.”

“Actually, I wanted you to step up as the Director.”

Wendy immediately shook her head after hearing that. “I don’t want it. I already have more than enough on my plate and it’s driving me crazy. Drop the Director idea.”

“Yeah, the thing is, if you step up as Director, the Head of Financial Affairs position will have to be given away. Then again, this position is more important than the Director in my opinion.”

“As long as I am here, the Director can be replaced anytime, but it’s another story for the Head of Financial Affairs. If the person taking up this position isn’t someone who I completely trust, if anything goes wrong, it’ll be too late by the time we realize.”

When she saw Jasper’s tired expression, Wendy said gently, “Alright, don’t think about it too much since you’ve already made up your mind. You’ve been busy the entire day since you stepped into the office, so have a good rest We can leave things till tomorrow.”

“Tomorrow is the last day of the lockdown order.”

Jasper frowned slightly and turned to look at the rapidly changing street view. “Time just isn’t enough.”

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<p>Back home, Dawson was still awake, as expected. Jasper went to meet him right after they got home.</p>

<p>“You’re back.” Dawson put down the documents in hand and said to Jasper.</p>

<p>“I am back.”</p>

<p>Jasper sat opposite Dawson and said.</p>

<p>“Good to see you, are you hungry? Do you want supper?”</p>

<p>“It’s fine, I’ve already had dinner and I am not hungry either.”</p>

<p>The two continued to talk about some casual topics but none of them mentioned anything about the company. Dawson did not ask Jasper about whatever he was doing outside either. Due to this, they felt more comfortable with each other after the hour long conversation.</p>

<p>They had already regarded each other as family and many things didn’t need to be said out loud. A casual chat was more than enough when they met.</p>

<p>The next day, Jasper rushed out of the house right after he woke up. He did not go to the office but instead he went to meet an important person.</p>

<p>This person deliberately flew to Nauritus to meet Jasper in person. This was the Secretary of the SBS Bank, Tony Pratt.</p>

<p>“Mr. Pratt...”</p>

<p>Jasper met Tony in a guest room of the hotel, and he reached out to greet Tony first.</p>

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