



Kyoshiro_Kihara_HC_Project_S0rahana_Game_of_Death

Verse 4: Game of Death

[Reinhardt's Monologue]

The world that we're living is imperfect for every human's eye. But people never stops on trying to find an alternative solution to every problems. Humans are the ones who governs the earth, they existed to make a change and adapt to any circumstances. Humans are treated as the sovereign and superior compared to any living. However, that sovereignty and superiority were only before the Executioners existed in the world's hierarchy.

Executioners are compared to the Angels and Demons, in which, humans can never go beyond. People all over the world concluded that Executioners are creations of God. That conclusion was speculated after the Stygian's genocide in England.

For some unknown reason, that first Executioner vanished. Every humans felt the relief all over their heart and soul.

After that 1990's genocide incident, people around the globe searched for their liberation. Humans aren't just contented of what they are having, just like a single person's desire to fly in order to prevail superiority. They never stop to search for answers on how to defeat the Executioners. And so, ever since the Paranormal Group of Investigators proclaimed that they were the ones who placed the Stygian into death sentence, the war between Humans and Executioners have commenced.

And somehow, the leader of that group called [his/her] name as someone you'll never forget that easy.

[He/She] was named as - [NameLess]



Just like any other people wants to find, the Executioner Investigation's desk from the Iwate Prefectural Police were doing all that they can to make their country a better and safer place. It's obvious, that each person desires for safety and salvation; that each person desires for a peaceful life.

Everything is about to be resolved, for the police inspector had already devised a plan to capture the Executioner. He was Kyoshiro Kihara; a skilled police officer who came from the States. His plan were not that accurate on the first place, but with the help of the newbie police officer named Kyotaro Takahashi, that inaccuracy gradually changed into something that we can call as a reliable but still a risky plan under their point of view.

The entire Executioner's Investigation desk held an urgent meeting which tackles the proper execution of Kyoshiro's plan. Each of the police officers inside that room are wearing the same serious facial expression. This plan isn't really a simple game, this is categorized as a game of death for every police that are involved to this. Though this plan may have a high risk [according to their perception], Seto still approved it because of his trust to Kyoshiro. He knew that Kyoshiro isn't a kid anymore despite his young age in this career. He formulated his very own plan with deep thinking capability. He distinguished first the disadvantages and advantages before he came up to this plan that's why Seto seemed to be relieved. He knew that when something wrong happens, Kyoshiro will find an appropriate countermeasure regarding it.

Kyoshiro must be desperate to perform that Executioner's death sentence, but even so, he still thought about it to stop this country's crisis that's currently happening for about 20 years.

Seto had entrusted Kyoshiro the role of being the major investigator. So this time, the Police Inspector will be the one to call the shots. Everything will now depend on his decisions. With the help of this plan, each and every police involved will definitely found the intense thrill of their life. All of them waited enough time to face the Executioner in frontal combat. They have waited enough to see the resolution of this never ending investigation.

No one knows what the outcome would be. Is this really going to be the end? Will this stop Japan's crisis? Will this change every human's perception in life? Will this give the people's liberation? None of those police knows the appropriate answer. For what they are sure is, is that this investigation will cause again another bloodbath not only to the criminals nor the Executioners, but also with the police.

Anyone is vulnerable, anyone may die in an instant. Because in reality, there is no such person as a main character. Everyone in this world is considered as a vulnerable person who can die at any place, or at any time.

"The plan is like hitting two birds with one stone. We all knew that the Shiki Syndicate is classified as one of the largest group of drug syndicates all over Japan."

"-in other words, there's a high chance that the Executioner may appear to them."

Kyoshiro have said all those words which serves as his introduction to his ideal plan.

"Kyotaro Takahashi will be the undercover of Shiki. We will have a hundred percent surveillance to that group. To simplify things up, our undercover will be delivering us his daily information about the syndicate's actions and routines. Hence, if they attempt to conduct a drug transaction, then we can stop them. At first look, our plan's goal is only to annihilate that group, but when the time comes that the Executioner shows up to them, then I guess the real action will begin."

It's like he's ready to confront the Executioner with his declaration of war. << -the real action will begin >> that's the scenario that he's clearly expecting.

Most likely, this is what he really meant before.

<< Yeah, actually I just got promoted as the Police inspector a year ago >>

<< My dream isn't yet accomplished, actually, this is only the start >>

After all, having the position as a Police Inspector isn't his main goal. This could really be the start of everything. He wants to kill the Executioner to gain a very honorable achievement that is likely difficult to be reached.

This proves that Kyoshiro is really a man of action. Unlike Ai, he never uses meaningful, inspiring and artistic words to convince someone else and change other's point of view in life. He is moving according to his pride and ego. He would rather choose to show his world's infernal side to further make them realize that life isn't something easy to live.

He is not the type of person who escapes reality. He faces his problems and struggles without any single hesitation in his heart.

"Every human being needs to face reality and overcome it. Those who don't want to struggle doesn't deserve a peaceful life."

-That; was his personal quote in life.

He is a strong person indeed. His actions and behaviors only proves that he's not just a good looking police officer who wants to show off. He was very serious about it, getting to the point that he will involve the suspected largest criminal syndicate in Japan.

Kyoshiro glanced at Kyotaro as he picked something up from a box. He slowly opened it and inside was a watch. He held that device and given it to Kyotaro.

"Here."

"..."

Kyotaro was surprised. Is this a gift coming from his superior? Of course not.

"Takahashi-san, you need to use this watch in case of emergency. It may be cheap and old class if you look at it, but that design is fully intended for this investigation. That device isn't only a simple watch, it consists of a microphone, a recorder, as well as a transmitter. And if an emergency unexpectedly occurred, simply press its side buttons all at the same time and it will quickly contact us."

Upon hearing that clear explanation from Kyoshiro, Kyotaro replied with a serious look on his face.

"I understand Sir."

At that very moment, Eichiro was looking at his best friend from a fine distance. It seemed like he's very upset in this turnaround of events. This is not what he wants, this is too risky enough. He don't want to see his best friend to suffer for the next days of his life. Though he has this trust to his best friend, he still cannot remove the doubt that Kyotaro may fall into danger. For some reasons, he cannot stay calm because they are not only facing simple criminals. The Shiki Criminal Syndicate and the Executioner is the one they are talking about.

This is the real deal. And a newbie police officer cannot handle that pressure for a very short period of time. He knew that Kyotaro is strong enough to face any kind of suffering, but what he is thinking right now is the possible reaction that Kyotaro's loved ones may have if something terrible consequently happens. He can't help himself but to be pessimistic. It's like this is very impossible to be taken care of by the Executioner Investigation's desk itself.

Thus, Kyotaro looked closely at his watch and seemed like he felt the excitement into this livelier investigation.

The design of that watch is so classic. It's an analog type watch which consists of its three ticking hands. For this current year which is 2026; the age where you can call as the [world of holograms], that type of watch is simply calling off its cheap appearance. Yet, just like Kyoshiro said, its outside appearance is its important feature to deceive every people's eye. It may not be as advanced as the watches these days which is composed of a hologram interface technology, but this one has its very own distinctive features most applied for an undercover investigation. Its microphone feature can receive even the lowest quality of sound such as (-16) decibels for about four meters of distance. Its recorder have enough memory capacity to straightly record sounds 24/7. Most of all, its transmitter is always working as long as the device is running.

"Are you sure this'll work?"

Ai questioned Seto with a blank facial expression on her face.

By asking that question, it seemed like she had some doubts about this, since the Executioner are the ones they are talking about.

Their major target is the first Executioner which is having the characteristics of a swordsman. That Executioner is an assassin, he leaves every crime scenes without single trace of evidences. He is also knowledgeable in different ways of killing in fast and perfect execution. There are only few surveillance cameras that have caught this man on act. It's like before he makes his massacre, he first scrutinizes every position of surveillance cameras to perfectly adjust on each of its blind spots. It's like the Executioner is classified as a genius in logical and physical aspects. No doubt, that that Executioner is still cannot be caught red-handed from up until now.

"We need to trust him."

Seto replied through Ai's sudden question.

He was very serious that time. He really did put all his trust to Kyoshiro. However, placing Kyoshiro into his position as the major investigator of the case seemed like very sudden. No one have ever expected some kind of decision like that.

None of the police could admit it, it's because Seto have waited a very long time to be placed in that position. He has this very strong desire to avenge his father's death. Is that goal not so important this time? Perhaps that was not his priority to tackle for now. There is a much bigger problem which needs to be given attention; and that is about the --"two Executioners theory" - Yes; even from up until now, that still remains as a theory. Concluding that there really is two Executioners in this country still don't have the support of evidences.

[There are too many possibilities; that may occur on the next following days.]

[One]

[After the incident that results for a massive explosion]

If the true reason about that incident is because of the two Executioners having a battle with each other, then, one of them must got killed or eliminated. That could be obvious, that some kind of explosion that strong could clearly turn any human's flesh into ashes, and if somehow, that explosion really came from the Executioner's abilities, then it's concluded that any Executioner must be vulnerable from it.

[Two]

After that incident, if neither one of them shows up or even commit a crime for less than a week, then the possible outcome could be that both of them were consequently killed.

While the third; ---

[Seto's eyes widened;]

"That's not gonna happen."]

Seto said all those possible scenarios in his thoughts. More like he must be ready to formulate a succeeding plan if one of it turns out to be the exact result.

Yet, the unparticular theory is the third. "That's not gonna happen" - just what he means by that? He was wearing a very

different facial expression that time. It must be the worst theory that might happen, no one must have expected anything like that, but Seto anticipated it.

That's the worst case scenario.

Therefore, he said that - << That's not gonna happen >>. It must only mean that that kind of theory has a very low percent chance that could turn out to be the result.

Despite those worse possible scenarios, it's still kind of weird that Seto have replaced his role to Kyoshiro. The other thing that makes it more suspicious is that the plan whom Kyoshiro formulated can turn out to have the exact resolution which caused his father's death. His father happens to be also on the undercover surveillance the time he was brutally murdered by the Executioner. For some reason like that, it must be difficult for him to do the same procedure again.

Now; as if it shows that Seto's decision is to simply make an excuse if something goes wrong. He must have done that sudden action so that he'll never blame himself or somehow regret if the worst case scenario consequently happens.

"The Shiki Criminal Syndicate; I couldn't really think what'll happen on the next days, but I'm sure that this will not be like the past other times."

Seto said in his thoughts. The Executioner is not only the main problem that may encounter by the Executioner Investigation's desk. The Shiki Criminal Syndicate is also a very serious problem to deal with.



The Shiki Criminal Syndicate --- they are suspected as one of the largest group of drug syndicates in Japan. Aside from the Executioner, they are also the one that brings terror and shame in this country. The police believes that this group is still overgrowing throughout.

They are classified as the group behind most of the Executioner related crimes. To be exact; there are ten Executioner incidents which is supposedly involved with the group. Most of those crimes turn out to be a sabotaged drug transaction. This group must've really hated those Executioners, for the reason that millions of yen were already wasted because of those chained-failed transactions.

Ironically, the Executioner helps the police on stopping that dirty work. As if they were vigilantes who murders anyone whom the police cannot completely handle fast.

It's not that the police doesn't even make any actions in accordance to them. Actually, they have also sabotaged for exactly seven drug transactions which involves the Shiki. About fifty of the criminals were imprisoned from 2023 up to this year. When you combine each of the police's successful operations together with the Executioner's crimes, the total criminals that were captured and died would approximately sum up for over hundreds.

That number of criminals can vividly mean that Shiki Criminal Syndicate is a very large group. The total number of victims and criminals imprisoned could only be less than a half of their total members for the three years of their existence.

That group have very least details, those criminals imprisoned always keeps their mouth shut. They said that if they say a single word about the group, their family and loved ones will suffer the terrible consequences that they can't possibly imagine. They said that they could be even worse than the Executioner.

According to the police, that group made their very first crime three years prior. The exact date was December 05, 2023. In that operation, four of the police failed to survive. From that moment the group started to grow even larger.

No one knows the mastermind beyond Shiki. It's like that is someone who's intelligent enough to stay for up to three years. The police made a conclusion about that group after they captured for up to ten of the criminals. According to every criminal's backgrounds, all of them have their families that they support in everyday living.

Therefore, the National Police Agency declared that each of them have someone important or precious to them. That characteristic is part of the group's strategy to maintain the member's trust to them and to force everyone's emotions so that none of them will spread any information corresponding the group.

Their mastermind really is something very different. He must be the kind of person who always finds other people's weaknesses, and afterwards; manipulates it. After all, it's the nature of every human to have the incompetent term called- "emotion".

This could be really called as the most highly anticipated day for each and every police. This is the beginning of the country's hope. The Executioners Investigation's desk worked hard enough to strengthen that plan. From a simple idea which is gradually formulated to have a successful way to trap the Executioner, this plan is the result of each and every police's hard work. The time

has come, finally; the plan which is furtherly called as the "Executioner's Execution" started.

So; let this game of death begin...



The concept of the "Executioner's Execution" is quite simple. The newbie police officer which takes advantage of his lack of presence to any criminal's eye had given a very important role or task. His name is Kyotaro Takahashi; and this time, he will be the undercover of the police to the suspected one of the largest criminal group named "Shiki Criminal Syndicate".

His task can be considered as a tough and hard work if it comes to a newbie like him who just started his career as a police for only the other day. However, he is different. He is the man who could really fit and adapt with this role. He is considered as one of the most skilled and versatile during their training. That's why, there's no doubt that he can do this job properly.

During his surveillance, he was assured to make a daily report to the police about the criminal's daily actions and routines. This could be the proper way to make a sufficient action to observe each and every movements of that group. It's the perfect time to take many evidences especially about the hidden identity of their mastermind. And if somehow, that group takes an action about any sort of drug deal, as an undercover, the Executioner Investigation's desk can directly know the location of that transaction. Because of the police's eyes, there will be obviously such a low chance of the drug deal's success. That is going to be considered as the first execution of the plan before the Executioner shows up.

However, this plan is called "Executioner's Execution", that name is definitely intended for the Executioner's fall. In other words, this plan's main objective is to capture the Executioner. Together with the 24/7 undercover surveillance, when the exact time comes that the Executioner happens to show up to them, then the police will always be ready to take actions.



The time was already 10:17AM. The place was dark because of the nimbus clouds all over the wide sky. The place was quite noisy as Kyotaro was continuously following a man's footsteps towards a common looking establishment near the Tohoku Expressway. He was wearing his casual clothes that time. His looks was very simple. There's no any traces of being a professional and talented police officer in his outside appearance.

Of course; that outside appearance is a must! Together with the casual wear is his analog watch placed on his right wrist. That fashion statement is way too perfect for blending in to any situations like that.

"Were finally here."

The man said with his clear voice.

That man is the person whom Kyotaro's been following within his footsteps. According from that man's look, it's clear that he's some kind of a delinquent person. He is also wearing a casual clothes which perfectly fits with his tall height and fairly dark complexion.

That man's role is to take Kyotaro to his designated group.

The two of them successfully entered the infrastructure. Kyotaro was surprised from what he witnessed, it's because inside that building are those men preparing or somehow assembling their guns. The exact head count of those men were six. And each of them have their personal guns. What's shocking for it is that those firearms aren't simple. Those are considered as high caliber firearms which can be compared to those that are used by the assault team. To place that into perspective, that group's heavy firearms are far better compared to any member of the Executioner Investigation's desk.

This syndicate really deserves the title "one of the largest and vile." The mastermind of that group must be someone very rich enough to provide those needs. That could be the reason why this syndicate is still cannot be disbanded. Neither the police nor the Executioner can stop their continuous work.

After entering that place, the man from before half-raised his hand and showed a sign to follow him.

"Come follow me..,"

The two of them walked over that infrastructure and headed to a single room. It's like that room was only intended for this situations.

The man knocked the door twice before he opens. The opening of the door made a creaking sound which only proves that it's quite old.

Inside that old room was a middle aged man smoking a cigarette. The only thing that makes that man's presence a bit shocking is that his facial features completely matched with the one who abducted Ai Katsunari.

This man's identity were filled with mystery from the very beginning, and yet, he still never stops to give everyone the chills down their spine. His appearance just showed a sudden thrill, just who is this guy? His intention of abducting Ai the other day is for kidnap for ransom purpose. So, that only concludes that Shiki Criminal Syndicate is not only doing drug transactions but kidnapping as well.

This group is very sinister, especially this man who is classified as the mastermind of each and every actions of Shiki. With his looks together with the group's actual presence to the public, it's obviously clear that this man is a millionaire -but really, if he is already a kind of achiever like that then what's his true goal of starting that group? What is he planning?

That's not really important for the Executioner's Investigation's desk. But..., Kyotaro felt something very different.

He was shocked as well as startled. His face looks awful as if he saw a man which is familiar.

Yet, he forcibly closed his eyes as his brain functions with its normal condition.

"Remember, this is an undercover investigation."

That's what he's saying in his thoughts.

Leaving that startled facial expression behind, he stayed calm in front of the group's Boss. It's really weird if the Boss saw him like that, it may directly lead to suspicion. Kyotaro needs to adapt to any kind of situation like that no matter how crazy or intense it turns out.

He resumed his calm expression as the boss takes a closer examination to his information documents.

"So; your name is Yamato Ishida."

The Boss said.

The name - [Yamato Ishida] serves as Kyotaro Takahashi's undercover agent's name. From this moment, he will play the role of Yamato Ishida as a part of Shiki. This time, he'll play the part of a bad guy.

Before the investigation commence, the Executioner Investigation's desk completely altered his entire identity. His name is Yamato Ishida, a 22 years old man who is born in Tokyo and goes to Hanamaki city to take care of his mother. Everything was altered starting from his name, date of birth, hometown, and family backgrounds. Those fake information is intended to deceive that group. All those information were written to perfectly execute this plan.

"Yes...,"

Kyotaro Takahashi, or let's say Yamato Ishida said that reply with a calm voice.

He has well adapted into this unexpected circumstance. He must've practiced himself being addressed as [Yamato Ishida] so that he can get used to it in no time. Thus, according from what everyone

observes, it seemed like he had already performed that task just now. He is really the best person who could fit in this role. But somehow, not only his new identity is the one that he needs to be used to, a way to blend in with those bad guys should be a more difficult task.

Hence, it may turn out that he can play with that role as well, that's why there is nothing to worry about. Actually, that role is only compatible to those persons with too much patience. A person involved to this must take each second as calm as he could be. Plus, he should never let himself be insulted by anyone of them. So; in other words, none of those remaining police officers including Seto and Kyoshiro would perfectly adapt with that role. Thank God; Kyotaro was there to spare them.

"You'll be assigned together with those men you've just crossed a while ago."

The man beside him said.

Yamato have now joined those criminals and will begin their dirty work. This time, the hero will play the role of a villain. Hopefully, just hopefully..., everything will be a big success.



Kyoshiro and Seto were inside the Superintendent's office of the Headquarters. Both of them are silent while continuously arranging some documents regarding the Executioner Investigation when...

"Ring!!"

That was the sound which directly came from Kyoshiro's phone.

He quickly picked up the phone from his pocket; trying to know what that message could be, or perhaps, thinking if that mail is about the investigation or not.

He slides his phone's lock on its screen and opened the e-mail. He's quite surprised for that e-mail were from the undercover Kyotaro.

Because of that surprised expression, Seto ended up to be curious about it which had given him the will to ask:

"Who is it Kyoshiro-san?"

While still looking at the content of that message, Kyoshiro slowly replied:

"It's from Takahashi-san."

After hearing that name, Seto directly came closer to him in order to know the exact details regarding that message. At first impression, that mail could be about the "Executioner's Execution".

"What does it say..,"

"He said that he figured out the identity of the Shiki's Boss."

Kyoshiro replied with a serious look on his face.

"-there's an attached image in it."

He quickly pressed the touchscreen button of that mail which commands to open the attached image file in it.

At that exact moment, Ai entered the room with a smile on her face. Hence, that facial expression had changed right after she looked at those two, who seemed to be in a shock for some various reason. She has no idea of what is currently happening. While wearing a blank facial expression on her face, she initiatively gets closer to the two.

"Just what is going on this time."

She was curious as she can't help herself but to come closer.

"What is it? May I see?"

"Hmm...,"

The two came to look at her direction. Thus, afterwards, Kyoshiro handed the smartphone to Ai.

There's nothing to be expected, Ai was terrified after she saw the face of that man. She had the exact terrified facial expression like the other day that she was kidnapped.

With her eyes wide opened and breathing heavily, Ai have spoken some words in a very low tone of voice.

"It can't be happening."

The way she said it were like a whisper which only she could hear. However, that face still triggered for Seto and Kyoshiro's awareness.

They couldn't really understand what Ai have spoken, despite that, they knew that something's wrong. She's terrified just by looking at the image of the Shiki's Boss..., so; how come there's no problem about it.

"T-That man..,"

While still in a terrible shock, she pressed her right palm towards her mouth with her eyes half-closed. She stepped back a little as she continued.

"-h-he is the one who kidnapped me."

This is just awful. Kyoshiro and Seto's eyes became wide open as well. This is indeed a very small world. Who would have ever thought that those Executioner's victims who abducted Ai could be linked to the same syndicate. After hearing that information directly from the girl, Seto added the very recent victim counts who abducted Ai as an additional members of Shiki that the Executioner murdered.

"That man's name on public is Ryo Kirizawa."

Kyoshiro accessed the internet on his phone after saying so. Then he used its hologram interface features so that Ai and Seto could clearly comprehend on what he is saying. He searched the name [Ryo Kirizawa] on the "google browser".

After a second, so many results popped up the hologram screen, then Kyoshiro selected and pressed the top link on the first page.

Afterwards, all the information about the famous man named Ryo Kirizawa came out of the wide hologram interface.

"His complete name is "Ryo Kirizawa". According to this information about him, it's stated that he's a businessman and is classified as a major stockholder of many branches of hotels in Japan and other countries. Of course he is already classified as a rich personality. He is beyond successful if we say so, but really; I don't even have a clue that he's the mastermind of Shiki. That could be the reason why Shiki is considered as one of the largest criminal group. His wealth is enough to provide every needs especially for having a continuous recruitment. Plus, it's obvious that he's the man behind those criminal's possessions of high caliber firearms. So now everything makes sense, the group of Shiki happens to be founded three years prior, and that three years also matched with the date he returned to this country from Rome. It also happens that when he came back, he already had a wife and his son."

"So I guess her wife isn't Japanese right?"

Seto questioned.

"Yeah.., I think so, I guess her wife came from Rome."

The mystery behind that man had yet all revealed. His name is Ryo Kirizawa. So far, only his outside appearance were shown. No one still knows his goal, and seriously; the very harsh problem regarding him is the reason why he knew everything about Ai's father. Could he be someone whom Ai's father knows? Because the very moment Ryo have spoken to her about her father is like of someone who is very close to him.

Well; that kind of knowledge could also be obtained from a deep research, but maybe it's not like that.

Thus, afterwards, another message were unexpectedly sent again by the undercover police.

Gladly, Kyoshiro created a new mail account before the investigation began. His name on that newly created account is classified as a fake name which is registered as Usagawa Haru. The other thing that makes the operation more precise is that the messages sent and received by each other is immediately deleted after they read it. That way is used to remove the evidences that might show up. Even the histories in their phones were perfectly cleared.

He opened the second e-mail and read its contents carefully.

[

From: Yamato

To: Usagawa

Subject: None

Body:

Sir; I wanted to tell you that were having a drug transaction tomorrow at 21:00. I'll inform you the exact location tomorrow.

]

Kyoshiro then smiles..., while still looking at that mail.

"You don't need to tell that to us Takahashi-san."

"I guess he'd already forgotten the function of that watch."

Seto continued upon hearing Kyoshiro's voice.

All the sounds that the watch records were directly transmitted to the Executioner's Investigation's desk. Everything that Shiki is talking about can quickly be heard by the investigation's group as long as it's within the four meter distance from Kyotaro. In other words, the police have the direct ears and eyes on that group.

Simply, everything they say which could be personally heard by Kyotaro results to a leak of information.

"He was so active on that part getting to the point that he have forgotten about his personal devices."

Despite that mistake, Seto is still relieved because Kyotaro is doing a great job. That undercover never misses any opportunity. He will not let that group stay longer.

"So!"

Seto have spoken with his loud voice.

"-it's time to get to work."



The time was exactly 21:00 in the evening. The place was dark, and that darkness could be even worse because of the few turned on lights on that room.

This is the drug operation that Kyotaro's speaking of. The group where he's been assigned to was the one who'll execute the operation. Their number were seven including him, while the other party were composed of three people who will take the negotiations.

The standing leader of their group came to approach the three men to deal with. This is the first time that Kyotaro will personally witness an actual drug transaction. And for him, this work is awfully one of the worst.

The faces of those three men were not like of a Japanese. They are rather American citizens who came all the way here for the drugs. Those three has a short haircut, their hair are blonde, and their height is absolutely about two to three times taller compared to any of them.

The four of them were trying to negotiate with each other. They were at some distance with Kyotaro, that's why he cannot comprehend from what they're saying.

The six remaining members including himself was only there at the corner of that wide room while carrying briefcases. Those briefcases contains drugs in it. There are exactly six briefcases, and if each of them could cost for about a million yen, then the total amount of it could reach to six million. That is really some large amount of money to deal with. Ryo might be very happy again.

That room has a wide view of Hanamaki City when you look beyond its glass window. According to that description, it's concluded that they are inside a tall building, a kind of building tall enough to watch the perfect view of the city's light during night time.

That room must have been temporarily occupied by those Americans.

Afterwards, they heard those four laugh. It seemed like they're getting to know each other, but somehow, that could also trigger that the deal was decided.

Meanwhile, outside that building was the beautiful aerial view of the city. Those lights makes the night filled with appreciation. Thus, beyond that aerial view crossed a helicopter.

Three men wearing their complete equipment as a member of the Assault Team from the outside rappelled towards the current floor where the deal was held and quickly breaks its glass window as its fragments fell over. Those assault team members rushed the room and open fired gunshots towards the criminals. That room was dark enough to put the two syndicate to their tight disadvantage. That was a too sudden entrapment operation.

The assault team's advantage is that they have their night vision goggles and equipment. That is why the operation seemed easy for them.

The gunshots were still on its presence. It means that the criminals were still fighting back. Then one of the assault team member turned on and off the flashlight from his gun two times.

Kyotaro's eyes widened for a second.

"Hoshi-san!!"

Kyotaro called one of his fellow criminal.

Then, the man named Hoshi looked at him while his mind were still jumbled because of shock.

"..."

"We need to get out of here."

Kyotaro said while there were still exchange of gunshots.

The two of them runs towards the door; abandoning their other members behind. They have no choice, the operation was been ambushed, the outcome of it is clear, that's why, the only option left is to run and get away from that mess.

Of course; Kyotaro anticipated this to happen. After all this time, he was still the person behind all of it right? The sudden turning on and off of the assault team member's gun serves as a signal for him before he starts his escape. He already formulated an escape route before the operation starts and that escape route will be the route where the assault team will not cross. So; it's obvious that the way that Kyotaro takes will be the safest way for every criminals. Making that man named Hoshi join him is only to hide their Boss's further suspicion.

If Kyotaro will be the only person left who happens to escape from that mess, then Ryo will clearly have doubts about his true identity. This is his first drug deal, and by failing that deal with such a perfect execution of the police could only mean that he's part of them.

The continuous gunshots and commotions had dealt the total fright and panic of all the civilian people from that building.

They were terrified as they can't move a single muscle. While most of the woman and children are crying with their eyes half closed, they are really on the overly terrified state. Hearing those continuous loud gunshots are very unfamiliar for them.

The continuous loud siren's sounds were all heard on the ground floor of that building. That only means that the police finally came to the site.

Seto immediately runs towards the building as its wide sliding glass door automatically opened. His footsteps was very fast while he was holding his handgun by both hands and heads to the drug transaction's room.

While he was continuously running, He saw Kyotaro together with Hoshi. He then ignored Kyotaro's presence as they crossed each other. On that exact second, their eyes suddenly met, and based on their facial expression, it seems like Seto is showing a sign of an impressive work for Kyotaro.

The assault team and the criminal group were still exchanging the same gunshots. Only three of the criminals were left. All the three American criminals were declared dead while their blood were continuously spilling all over the room. While the two criminals of Shiki were also dead, one of them was their leader who holds the negotiations.

Thus, the three remaining were hiding on the thick hard wall nearby the entrance. They have no other choice, they have lost the fight. They tried to look at each other's faces, even though they are not saying any words, they still nodded upon each other. It's like they've finally decided.

One of the criminals takes a deep breath...

-And then shouts hard.

"We surrender!"

That was a very loud voice that crossed the loud continuous gunshots from the assault team. That voice was loud enough to be heard by them. Afterwards, the firing have ceased.

The assault team pointed the flashlight of their guns to the wall where the criminals hid. The remaining criminals revealed each of them with their hands up and placed it to the back of their necks.

They have finally surrendered. The drug deal had failed.



The gunshots was over. All the three remaining criminals were perfectly restrained. The crime scene looks terribly awful. Every corner of that wide room were filled with blood coming from those corpses. The lights on that room were all turned on as all the details and evidences about the crime scene were completely clear.

A restriction police line was already placed within the areas of the room filled with bloodshed. The crime scene operatives were continuously doing their primary investigation. Most of them were taking pictures of those dead bodies lying down the floor. While the others were locating the shrapnel, slugs, and other bullet materials all over.

Kyoshiro and Seto was there having their observation on the site.

Then, one of the criminals saw the Superintendent's face and his eyes were wide-opened together with anger.

"So.., you're the person behind from all of this!!"

The criminal shouted.

That man's loud and unpleasant voice grabbed Kyoshiro and Seto's attention. They came closer to them to have a little chat as well as an initial interrogation.

"So, what's wrong if I'm the person behind all of this?"

Kyoshiro replied together with an evil smile on his face.

Seto was startled by Kyoshiro's sudden action. He was about to reply to that criminal, and yet before he does, Kyoshiro quickly answered. What makes it worse, is that Kyoshiro's tone of voice were like of an enemy. Perhaps that way or method of speaking is only to grab those criminal's attention and as well as to show them that in this country, the Japanese government takes the authority.

The criminals spit's some saliva from his mouth as he said.

"So you're the one behind it. Our boss will find you. I'm sure he will. And when he does, you'll probably know what will happen."

The criminal replied with a confident tone of voice.

"Soon, all of you will be imprisoned on the largest jail in this country. Oh.., I've forgot, that prison is also located in this city am I right? Ha.. ha.., better prepare yourselves to rot in jail for the rest of your lives. --- and that over respected Boss of yours, I guess he'll also suffer the same consequences."

Kyoshiro glared at the criminal with a sinister smile with his chin up as he said:

"Let's just say, Mr. Kirizawa will also follow that path that you'll all take."

The criminal was shocked with his eyes wide-opened as his jaw unknowingly dropped. He was terribly shocked because the police found out the mastermind of Shiki. He just can't admit that the identity of their Boss were found out so easily.

"You f*cking criminals! Don't ever look down on us. Don't ever look down any person whom you doesn't know yet. Because what if, that person you treats as a trash is only keeping a mask to deceive your eyes."

Kyoshiro's eyes wide-opened as he took a closer look to the terrified criminal. Then, he placed his lips to the criminal's ears as he whispers.

"-better find out who the real monster is."

The criminal unexpectedly shivered to terror. As if he was facing a devil whispering softly to him. His body was shaking while starting to breathe heavily. Kyoshiro was like a monster. That criminal was totally terrified just by that whisper.

That man was speechless. The police have taken over the three criminals, leaving one of them into despair while the other two were still trying to struggle. The three of them were placed to a car which will be headed to the largest prison in Japan located in Hanamaki City.

That was a very weird and awkward personality that came out of Kyoshiro. Seto was filled with wonder from that sudden role play.

Hence, there is a question, is that really a role play? Or else; is that really his true nature? Kyoshiro is a kind of a silent type person. But that's not true, he's always saying so many insulting words and phrases in his thoughts that he just can't lively express.

If this could really be his true personality, then he can really be called as a demon, he can really be called as a monster. He can really be called as a deceiver.

But no matter what, the ways he have spoken those words could only be a part of his plan's execution. Altering people's emotions is the easiest way to manipulate them. If the criminals were insulted, then the action that they could possibly do is to oppose. That expression can also be served as a bait to those bad guys, so that their true nature will reveal until their anger will explode resulting for them to make such unnecessary actions.

It's like he was showing the role of a villain. If he has no chance of winning against a strong enemy, then he will find its weakness. Plus, there is no person who has no weakness, if you can't defeat someone physically, then you must take advantage on him by destroying his psychological aspects.

Seto then remembered the moment where he crossed over with Kyotaro while he was heading to the room of that building. He looked up and smiled.

"Takahashi-san, you're doing a great job."

Kyoshiro haven't spoken anything after Seto says so. His main target is not anyone from that syndicate. Though the Shiki is also classified as one of the worst, Kyoshiro's attention is not on them. For him, the involvement of Shiki only serves as a bait to that Executioner. Just as the plan describes - "Hitting two birds with one stone". As this plan ends, the expected victims will be the members of the Shiki Criminals Syndicate including their Boss and most importantly, the Executioners.



The next day;

The three criminals were successfully detained to the largest prison on Japan. That prison's name was "Executioner's Hell". It's obviously a weird name, more like Japan was advertising the Executioners itself. But the true reason behind that is, its name Executioner's Hell is directly derived from the Executioner.

The name "Executioner's Hell" which means - the last place of the Executioners where they will witness and suffer the meaning of hell in this world's point of view. That name is intended for the Executioner to suffer.

And if hopefully it comes out that the Executioner was successfully captured, then that Executioner will be detained to the Executioner's Hell itself.

The three criminals were already wearing their prisoner's uniform. They were escorted by four police officers. Surprisingly shocked, their jaws were dropping as they watches how really huge that prison is. That prison is really constructed so that the Executioner will never have the chance to escape before his/ her death sentence happens.

They were consequently taken to their own cells. But they felt something different. It's because none from the police have even attempted to make an interrogation to them. Maybe they had already given up for they knew that none of them will spread a single word regarding the syndicate.



Meanwhile at the Syndicate's hideout...

"Boss, I-I'm terribly sorry... everything were sabotaged by the police."

Hoshi replied an apology.

Ryo; with his eyebrows completely curled, was showing a facial expression filled with anger. 6 million yen(¥) were just wasted. The worst case is, their American dealer just got involved to the shootout which unfortunately resulted to their loss. Now; he is sure to himself that that American group will never try to attempt the same deal to them because of the risk. This is really a loss of opportunity to Ryo. It's like he really wanted to curse that police officer's group and annihilate them.

That six million yen could make this wealthy man even more wealthier. Maybe he was just greedy of everything that could possibly be obtained in this world especially when it comes to money.

Ryo then stared an intimidating look towards Kyotaro for about half a second.

While Kyotaro was on the room's corner, his face is consistently casted downwards as he cannot make an eye contact to their boss. Because if he does, and then makes an awkward response, he was sure to himself that the Boss will take a careful suspicion to him that may end up to the plan's failure.

"Miura.."

Ryo called for the person beside him. He was the one who escorted Kyotaro during his first time of seeing the Boss.

Miura then placed his ears closer to the Boss's mouth.

"_____..._____..._..._"

Ryo whispered to Miura's ear.

Miura nodded, and then he replied:

"Yes Boss; I understand."

Kyotaro decided to look at the Boss's direction the moment he calls for Miura's name. He can't hear a single word from Ryo's mouth the time he whispered to his trusted subordinate. But then that time, he can't explain to himself why his heart started to tremble faster. He can't admit it to himself, but he thinks that their Boss must've suspected his identity.



A week had passed since then, and until now, there isn't still movements coming from the Syndicate's side. As well as the Executioners; they have never showed up until now.

Because of the single week of peace, Seto have already thought of his second theory. The theory where in if the neither one of the Executioners shows up within a week, then the two of them must've been eliminated the same time with the massive explosion. Even so, he still cannot completely propose that conclusion to anyone, He

said to himself that he should never jump to conclusions, he needs to wait first until Kyoshiro's plan is over. Patience; takes place in his mind for this very moment.



So far, Ryo decided again to have a drug deal, but this time, this isn't something grand for he knew that the National Police Agency must still have their eyes on them. This drug deal is not the same as before. This time, they are going to smuggle drugs to be placed to a private plane.

Unfortunately; Kyotaro is the one who will be doing the task as a drug courier. And so; this time... what is he going to do?

Ryo personally made a conversation to Kyotaro...

"Yamato-san, I hope you'll play this role properly, but don't worry, I know that you can do it. I believe in you."

Ryo said in a very intimidating manner, as if he was playing dumb to Kyotaro on doing that very impossible task.

"..."

Kyotaro is at loss for words. He can't find a proper solution for this.

So; what would be the countermeasure by the Executioner's Investigation's desk this time?



While still inside the operating room of the Police HQ, Seto and Kyoshiro; as well as Eichiro were shocked by that task that Ryo had given. This is such an impossible thing to do. The security of the Hanamaki Airport is just way too strong, he will immediately be caught red-handed if he attempts to carry drugs.

If this happens to be a coincidence, then there's no doubt that this is the worst.

What would be their proper succeeding action? The two superiors of the Executioner Investigation were thoroughly finding an acceptable solution to that terrible problem.

Afterwards, they formulated two possible scenarios:

First; The Executioner's Investigation's desk will give an information to the Airport's operators specifically the screeners that Kyotaro is an undercover of the police; so that they will let him pass during his items and body screening regarding his carried drugs.

Second; the police will make their sudden action to Kyotaro. As if he was actually accused of being a drug mule. Kyotaro will act as a criminal who will try to run when it comes out that the Airport's security team will caught him in the act of smuggling drugs. And after that, when he was already restrained by the police, he will make an act that he is trying to struggle. But in the end, it will lead to the resolution where in Kyotaro is completely captured.

But those two possible scenarios can be absolutely considered as a disadvantage.

The problem on the first scenario is that if Kyotaro happens to cross the screening without a single conflict, then Ryo will only end up to a further suspicion towards him. Because with his simple way of hiding those drugs, it's obvious that he must get caught. And if he doesn't, then it would only mean that Kyotaro is under the Police's side. Actually, maybe Ryo really had suspicion to Kyotaro, it's because the ways he will hide those drugs is not very convenient, it's like he is placing Kyotaro in a suicide operation.

While the problem on the second scenario is that if Kyotaro happens to be completely restrained, then it just means that everything is over from the "Executioner's Execution plan". Thus; if somehow, the police will make Kyotaro escape, then it may still increase Ryo's suspicion.

So; it's concluded, in other words, both of those two possible scenarios could clearly end up the undercover investigation.

None of those two countermeasure plans can put everything at ease.

This could be the true colors of Ryo Kirizawa. He doesn't even care if one of his men were killed. As if a life of a human can easily compared to the insect. He is greedy, yet not for all kinds of precious things found in this world. His attention is only for the wealth and fame. He doesn't need to have greed of having friends and loved ones. Though he has a wife and a child, it felt like the word family is only to hide his true nature.

Therefore, he can simply be classified as a person of avarice. He has the authority because of his wealth. In other words, money is only the precious thing that he ever desires.

If you have wealth, you'll also have the power to govern everything. He is considered as one of the most influential man. A man entitled as one of the "Greats" in the history of business.

Yet, he has a very agnostic dark side. Not only famous businessmen knows him. Even the high class syndicates recognizes him as one of the "Greats".



Eichiro walked out from the operation room. He was continuously walking on the hallway with his face looking so down. While carefully entering the men's room, he looked at his face in a wide clear mirror. He was looking at a terrified facial expression of a man.

He worried so much regarding the safety of his best friend. What if everything that he said to him during their recent argument happens? What if.., he dies?

Still cannot understand how he will react if something wrong like that happens. For over seven years that he spent time over his friend, he never would have thought that terrible things may happen. This world is turning very different this moment according to his point of view, all its darks sides is gathered upon him.

This time he thought, how could Kyotaro defend himself as a hero of justice? That man named Ryo Kirizawa is the worst villain for him to be faced this time. If it comes to movies, naturally the hero will be the victor and vanquish the evil that the villain committed.

Unfortunately, Kyotaro is not the kind of hero that can be found on any kinds of comic books. He is just a normal person which never possesses any super powers. Actually this time, it's like Kyotaro is between the devil and the deep blue sea. His best friend was on a dilemma, this situation has one of the most difficult choices.

Kyotaro were suddenly dragged into a game of death surrounded by different powerful and supreme people.

Eichiro doesn't know what to do anymore. He was heavily holding his forehead with his left hand showing a sign that everything seems hopeless. He really can't comprehend why this is suddenly happening, as if he was about to explode in a matter of seconds.

He can't even assist his best friend. If he could only have the power to change the past, then he would've forced Kyotaro to never join the investigation.

There are so many thoughts that were gathered upon him. If Kyotaro didn't join this, then every second of his life would be filled with happiness. If Kyotaro didn't became a police, then his wouldn't have happened. And more importantly, if Kytaro didn't met him, then this case would never have begun.

Those thoughts were filled with the word "what if". It means that those things are events that never happened on the present. Everything about those "if's" is too late to come true.

Eichiro blames all of it to himself but...

Why?

This man is awfully weak. He always loses hope, Kyotaro was the one who was on the dangerous state yet Eichiro is suffering even worse. His life were filled with negative emotions, classified as one of the worst man with worst personality.

Really..., does he deserve to be called as a police officer included on the Executioner Investigation?



Because of the terrible mess which is very difficult to be handled by himself, Kyotaro is always unease. He can't help himself but to make a phone call to his Superintendent.

He quickly dialed Seto's phone number and waited for his response.

"Takahashi-san..."

He finally answered as his voice came directly from Kyotaro's phone's speaker.

"Sir... what am I gonna do this time. It's very hard to make decisions by myself. I really need your help."

His voice was agitated, as if he has a cold feet.

Even the calm and confident hero of justice became nervous -this is what Seto's in mind.

He wouldn't have expected that Kyotaro felt something like that. So there came a question to himself; "Is this all his fault because he approved Kyoshiro's plan?"

Most of them are becoming hysterical...

"Takahashi-san; we will let you get all the way through the Airport's inspection."

"-but... What if the Boss suspects me after that..."

Kyotaro crossed to Seto's words.

So, the Executioner's Investigation's desk finally formulated a countermeasure. And thus, they have chosen the first plan to be executed. Yet still, the plan could clearly end up to an absolute failure.

But who knows, perhaps they have thought of something that can make things change.

Seto happens to be confident to himself, he was showing a very calm facial expression as he replied.

"Don't worry about it, we've anticipated all the possible theories that might consequently happen; and we decided to follow that countermeasure."

"-but Sir..,"

"Takahashi-san!!"

Seto said with his loud voice as he suddenly paused..

Then he continued.

"-just trust me."

The way he have spoken those words were strong enough to totally remove Kyotaro's doubt. Where does he really get that confidence from?

What is really their finalized countermeasure?

More like he's ensuring to himself that this'll be a success. Maybe it's time for the protagonists to take turns.

Just what are the modifications that they did to make all of them conclude that that is one precise operation to counter.

Kyotaro paused for a while after hearing his Superintendent's loud voice. And then he closed his eyes as he takes a very deep breath. He had finally stayed calm after hearing Seto directly said to him the words <<just trust me>>.

All he needs is trust to his comrades. He knows that Seto is doing all that he can to make this one a successful resolution.

This time; he had finally waken up from his miserable self. His hopes were regained and it's all thanks' to Seto. He smiled to himself, because he thought that was so dumb for the reason that he have forgotten that his comrades are still there and will never

let him become a sacrifice just like a useless scum. Of course; Seto will never let his subordinates lose their trust on him. He will never let any of his subordinates fall within his grasp.

Kyotaro opened his eyes as he replied slowly.

"Okay Sir;"

"So Takahashi-san; is there someone you treats you as a friend there?"

Kyotaro's eyes suddenly wide-opened for a second.



The day that everyone anticipated have commenced. The scenario was located at the tight and secure Hanamaki Airport. The weather was sunny as the wide blue open sky was covered with a sudden thrill.

It's already 10:41AM, Kyotaro Takahashi was wearing his casual clothes, more like of a tourist holding a large stroller bag.

He was very serious that made him gulp once. While he was escorted by three criminal members which also includes Hoshi, it's really hard to believe that Ryo Kirizawa wasn't there to observe. After all; he was the one who formulated that agreement to the other criminal group. Everything was prepared. Everything inside Kyotaro's stroller bag were considered as drugs to be smuggled. That may not worth as grand as the previous drug deal, yet it still cost for over a million yen.

The only problem regarding that is that it seemed like Ryo didn't took this deal seriously. He knew from the start that Hanamaki Airport is too secured, hiding those drugs in a simple stroller bag is clearly closer than giving in. All their preparations are futile, now it just shows that Ryo's true motive is to show Kyotaro's true colors to every one of them.

For some various reason, Kyotaro felt discomfort.

"It seemed like I still feel nervous until now.., before everything starts, I'll go to the rest room first. Hosh.."

"Hmm.., Okay, I'll follow next to you Yamato-san."

Hoshi quickly replied to him. As if both of them were thrilled in this situation.

Kyotaro bit his lower lip as he calmly looked towards Hoshi. The two of them heads to the restroom while the two remaining criminals stayed still and looked for anything suspicious.



"Everything is still under control, the plan is well executed."

Seto said while he was walking at the entrance of the airport wearing a disguise.

He was together with Kyoshiro. They were disguised as a normal citizen walking around the airport, just like a person whom you happens to pass and eventually forget. They definitely fit in with the enormous crowd while holding each of their stroller bags as well.

"Kirizawa-san; let's see what you're up to."

Kyoshiro said with a very serious look on his face.

He was indeed a bit enraged by Ryo's actions. Not only are the Executioners the ones who are underestimating the police's authority, but the Shiki Criminal Syndicate as well. This time, he wants to prove that this case is not a kid's game where in Ryo could play the way he wants for anytime. This time, he'll prove something that the Shiki had never seen before.



The execution of the drug deal have started, Kyotaro took a deep breath, and then he took a step towards the conveyor belt-like path of that Airport. On this current year; Hanamaki Airport already installed a type of security x-ray screener feature directly from the Z-Link Company. That section happens to be the place where your belongings in your body were being screened by a certain screening machine or device. That is also the part where you separate your belongings to be inspected by the Artificial Intelligence(AI) x-ray screeners. Because the security is tight, anyone can clearly assume that this is the worst section for every drug courier. For sure; he would be caught.

He was staring straight towards his front. While wearing a very serious facial expression, he felt like the movement of that conveyor belt was so slow, more like it'll take a very long time before it reaches its final destination.

As if he was hearing every second of his heartbeat, he looked at the digital clock placed on the wall of that airport.

"One.., Two.., Three.., Four..,"

He started to count with a one second interval, the way he counts matched the exact time as the digital clock alters its seconds. If you took a closer inspection, that counting method is a part of the plan. His mouth slowly moves as he was suddenly about to speak the next succeeding number.

"Five."

Exactly the same time he said that number, the lights on the entire airport turned off. Everything turned so dark as the emergency lights started to turn on. The second the darkness began, Kyotaro runs as fast as he could until he gets beyond the final point of that inspection area. So, perhaps that incident could be his way to make a proper excuse of making a successful drug deal. The power shut off must be from the police's work. But really; does that really help? Because for what anyone can see, it's not a valuable reason that everything is a coincidence, if so; then Ryo's suspicion will become even worse.

Thus, in a matter of seconds, the lights turned on again. The two criminals were startled by that quick power disruption. But still, they seemed to be happy because the drug deal's execution turned to a success. Everything became clear again on every human's vision; because the lights showed again its presence, the crowd then continued their respective jobs or tasks like nothing happened. No one ever found out that Kyotaro just escaped a heavily punishable crime.

Without a sudden expectation, a commotion starts to be seen from the airport's operating room. The security personnel swiftly barged in and circled around that site, and as a result, the criminals were alerted. Right that time they realized that someone's missing from their group. Hoshi weren't together with them, he never returned from the restroom since then.

The two criminals finally get it. They formulated a question: What if that black out were caused by Hoshi just to let Kyotaro slip in? But other question remains, is Hoshi that hardly attached to Kyotaro for him to do such a very dangerous decision? It's kind of real that Hoshi owes his life to Kyotaro, but is that really enough to come up to that?

The two criminals looked forward in accordance to the commotion which involves the Hanamaki Airport's security group. And thus, their theory seemed to reach its exact resolution.

It's true; Hoshi was the one behind the power shut down. And now, the Hanamaki Airport security personnel restrained him. It's too late to rescue Hoshi, the two criminal's final option is to leave the airport as soon as possible.

[So in the end, the plan was a success.]

Meanwhile, at the Airport's operating room, Hoshi was carelessly walking towards the restroom. But really; Hoshi were just arrested a while ago, so.., is that man really Hoshi? Of course not; that person removed his disguise, and it shows up that the man behind it was Kyoshiro. He smiled wryly while looking at the mirror.

"So.., Ryo Kirizawa-san, what are you gonna do this time?"

[The execution of that plan is quite simple. From the moment Kyotaro goes to the restroom, he was about to call Hoshi to join with him, but nothing expected from his criminal friend, he initiatively followed. That happens to be the first part of the plan.

The next succeeding events happens to be very miserable for Hoshi's part. Right before he enters the restroom Seto and I restrained him while we are still disguised as a normal citizen. Then; afterwards, I played the role of an impostor. I swiftly goes to the operating room, but before everything starts, the Iwate Prefectural Police already informed the entire operators group and personnel of Hanamaki Airport about the plan. I just disguised as Hoshi so that there will be supporting evidences that can be found on each and every surveillance cameras which proves that Hoshi did that kind of sudden action.

The display on the digital clock's seconds represents as Kyotaro's perfect reference for the exact time of execution.

"The moment the number displays "Five (5)" only means that the power source of the entire airport will shut down." -that was the exact words that I said to him. All of it happened as he runs as fast as he could to show a proper reason why he managed escaped the Airport's screening.

According from what Seto heard from Kyotaro's phone call, Hoshi is the person who happens to be classified as Kyotaro's friend. That attachment started the time Kyotaro saved Hoshi from the Assault team's shootout last week. We decided that Hoshi will turn out to be the one who saved Kyotaro as his friend to make the scene more realistic.

After the lights turns on, the Airport's security personnel quickly entered the scene to show to the criminals their actions of placing Hoshi as the person who's been accused about the incident.]



The next day, Hoshi was sent to the interrogation room with his both hands cuffed by shackles. He was expressionless that time, as

if everyone betrayed him. His face was casted downwards looking at the table.

[Click...]

The doorknob of the room's door moved as it slowly opens from the outside. Kyoshiro and Seto came to have a talk with him. But then it seemed like having even a small chat is futile for now. Both of them looked at the criminal's expressionless face.

Hoshi was betrayed by a friend whom he have never known his true colors.



The versatile undercover- Kyotaro Takahashi; was on the backseat of a luxurious car personally own by Kirizawa.

He's on the right side of the car; Miura was sitting beside him, while Ryo was on the front and also beside is his personal driver.

"Yamato-san, you really are something."

Ryo said in a delighted manner of speaking.

"-but even so, I still can't understand that that foolish Hoshi will do such a thing. All the things that he just did makes my head burst. You know, he is such an idiot to begin with. But don't worry, because his foolishness still led you to that success am I right?"

"Eh.., I guess your right Boss."

Ryo then seriously gazed at him together with a wide-scary grin.

"Even so; the two of us knew that he'd been mistaken from what he did. And as a consequence to that, he's entire family will be taken care of right this moment. I bet they're all screaming by now."

Kyotaro's eyes wide-opened. He'd gone speechless as he imagines what will happen to Hoshi's family. He can't move a single muscle with all his own will. That information had really placed him into a sensation of terror. Is this really what it means to be a member of the Shiki Criminal Syndicate? When you ended up to failure, all your relatives will be killed as a consequence.

By telling according to his facial expression, it looks like he felt deeply sorry for Hoshi. Though an apology is unacceptable, he knows to himself that feeling sorry for him will never change anything. Involving his relatives and loved ones is absolutely too much for a consequence for his mistakes. All that is happening right now is too harsh. This is not the life that each and every human in all the corners of this world desires.

As a conclusion; the Shiki Criminal Syndicate is better treated as the actual hell itself.

Thus, while still focused on Ryo's words, Miura held his right arm by his left hand.

"Kyotaro-san, you're the one to be blamed about it right?"

Ryo questioned with a very sinister smile on his face.

Still shocked by it, the same moment Ryo said those words were Miura's sudden actions. Everything was too sudden, without any hesitations, Miura quickly taped Kyotaro's mouth and grabbed his

sharp knife hidden from his back. Removed the knife from its safety sheath, he quickly sliced Kyotaro's right wrist where his watch is placed.

All of it happens in a blink of an eye as he cannot normally think. As if he was spaced out, he didn't say a single word. Then the second thing he knows is that his very own right hand were completely separated from his arm.

He suddenly felt the very terrible pain that he had never experienced from before. That was a kind of pain where no any human could resist. It is a pain that human would never easily knew by anticipating what it really is. This is very terrible, he was speechless, more like terrified to the fullest. That terrible sensation is something that he cannot handle anymore.

It hurts.., It hurts..., It hurts!! It hurts...!!!!

"Huh.., Haaah!!!"

The tape was removed from his mouth. He screams so loud as he saw his hand together with his watch filled with blood of his own. Miura thrown it away outside the car's window.

Maybe; Miura quickly thrown it so that the police will never heard what happened.

It hurts.., it really hurts..., it really hurts!!!! That was the exact thing that Kyotaro was feeling right now. His mind is still jumbled, more like he's very innocent of what's happening. What he only knew this time, is that he' feeling the most terrible pain within his imagination. He witnessed his open flesh covered with continuously falling blood.

He can't help himself but to release all the tears in his eyes. This is really too painful. Every one of the police will surely took pity for him.



Kyoshiro and Seto have no choice but to leave the interrogation room. Hoshi can't even say a single word, he remained emotionless inside that small quadrilateral room without moving a muscle.

Right after the two police left the room, another police came closer to them while having a worrisome face.

"Sir! There's a problem."

Both of their eyes wide-opened for a sudden.



"What's happening Sasaki-san..,"

Seto says to his fellow police in charged with Kyotaro's surveillance.

That question was addressed to Tadakoro Sasaki. He is a police with the same age as Seto. The two of them were colleagues during their police training. Somehow, they become friends, and after Seto were placed as the major investigator of the case, Sasaki volunteered to join the same group with him. Today, he was the one in charge of having a surveillance to Kyotaro. Their group's task

is to locate Kyotaro and supposed to alarm Seto if something wrong happens; just like exactly what is happening right now.

That watch is really a very great help, but this time, it's like that device is futile.

"Hibari-san; quickly!! Take a look at this."

Sasaki said.

Seto looked through the screen of the hologram monitor being operated by Sasaki. The view point of that monitor shows the GPS of Kyotaro's watch. It was located there, at the exact point where the transmitter is placed, but then..., looks like something is wrong.



[FLASHBACK]

"I think it's kind of weird. I guess the device is malfunctioning...? It's not moving."

Sasaki thought about it.

He assumed that the watch's transmitter wasn't functioning well. He took a careful look on the screen. He was shocked as he came even closer to confirm what that really is.

"No;"

That was the expression that made him say the word really fast.

"That's not a malfunction."

He quickly carefully listened from the sound captured by the watch's microphone feature.

[Vroom..!!]

He heard the consistent sounds from moving fast vehicles.

"His watch were removed from his wrist."

He says in a terrifying expression.

All the police inside that room were startled by that proposition of his. Kyotaro's watch were removed from his wrist, obviously; this is a very real problem, it's because Kyotaro were just inside Ryo's car a while before that happened.

He ordered something to one police right beside him.

"Quickly! Call for Seto-san and Kihara-san."

[END OF FLASHBACK]



They still didn't know that Kyotaro's right hand were took off. But that explanation where Kyotaro left his watch is a very obvious evidence that there's a big problem. At first look, the operating team only assumed that Kyotaro was remaining on that position for several minutes, but they quickly realized that the site was a highway.., and obviously, you cannot stay on the road from that situation.

They were suddenly alarmed by it that's why they quickly informed Seto and Kyoshiro.

Kyoshiro's eyes was different, more like he suddenly came up to something.

"This is a big problem! Can I hear the previous conversations before the transmitter became stationary?!"

Kyoshiro said quickly to Sasaki.

"Okay Sir,"

Sasaki replied. He quickly pressed the play button located on the side of the screen as the previous conversations recorded by that watch played.

<<Kyotaro-san, you're the one to be blamed about it right?>>

That was the last sentence that Kyoshiro heard from their previous conversation. The voice signifies with the mastermind of the criminal syndicate.

Kyoshiro was extremely shocked as he said:

"It's over."

"What.."

Seto replied. He still can't understand why those words suddenly came out of Kyoshiro's mouth but,

"Their Boss found out Takahashi-san's true identity. He called Takahashi-san by his real name."

Now; everything's been answered. Kyoshiro's explanations were as clear as the blue summer sky. Seto was shocked by those revelations, which only means that Kyotaro's in great danger.

"Kyoshiro-san, tell all the members of the Executioner Investigation that were having an urgent meeting. I'll go and investigate that site."

Seto immediately ordered Kyoshiro.

"-but, I need to think of something. Apparently I would also want to investigate there."

Kyoshiro crossed in accordance to that sudden order.

And thus, Sasaki followed their conversation.

"It's okay Hibari-san; I'll be the one who will inform them about the meeting."

Seto decided to agree from what his friend have said as he let Kyoshiro to join him.

Without a sudden, Kyoshiro heard a sound of a breaking glass together with the consistent noise of the running vehicles. The same time as that breaking sounds was the loss of the transmitting signal coming from the watch. It means that that surveillance device is accidentally broken as a vehicle strongly hits it.

After the attention that they'd given to that signal loss, Seto and Kyoshiro quickly headed out of the room.



This is indeed a very horrible problem to be encountered by the Executioner's Investigation's desk. The Shiki Criminal Syndicate really is a tough group to handle. None of them ever imagined that something like that could happen. Though the Executioners were still isn't showing up, yet they have already experienced the worst. Ryo Kirizawa is not an easy opponent. He wasn't like those minor characters in a movie which is quickly disappearing on the stage. He is a very tough opponent to be taken care of, more like a demon who could be even worse than the Executioners. His authority really is something very horrible. His aura were surrounded with horror and despair, which despises every humans with a good will.

The time was already 9:22AM. The clouds were still indicating a good weather. There was a sole abandoned looking old house which is surrounded by other tall buildings at that site. The house is too old enough for a person to take shelter. It was composed of old woods as well as old tatamis. All the things inside it such as clothes, vases, curtains, chairs, table, drawers, etc. were disorganized all over. Most of its chairs were tilted to each and every different position, but there's only one which is standing still.

Despite that chair is creaking, for its quality of being vintage. It looks like its strong enough to resist a person's weight. That chair isn't classified as useless at all.

A fully depressed man with a blindfold was seating on that creaky chair. His tears were soaked wet into that white piece of cloth covering his eyes. Continuously chewing on his lips as if resisting from a terrible pain inside him. His body is tied on that chair, and his left hand is strongly gripping his scarlet colored right

arm. His right hand was cut off recently, now.., he can't help himself but to resist the pain that he's been suffering. Blood continues to bleed while his arms were still shaking. This must be the end of him.

Right?



The part on that road of that highway has been strictly restricted to be crossed by any types of vehicles. Police lines were quadrilateral-surrounded on that site, that situation had brought a slight traffic, though that area is quite small, that road is still classified as a highway that's why it's clear to end up like that.

Seto really have never imagined this scenario even though he's expecting terrible things that might come up in the near future since the plan started. He was about to throw up as his left hand is covering is mouth. It's not like he haven't seen that kind of a slightly gory scene before, it's just that the hand came from his fellow subordinate which is still very new in that career.

"Kyotaro doesn't deserve all of that kind of traumatic experience."- He says so in his thoughts.

The vision coming from that crushed flesh separated from the watch fragments stained in blood is still pictured into his mind.

"Ryo Kirizawa-san, you really are a difficult rival after all."

Kyoshiro said in his inner voice.

He remained calm. As if he didn't care about Kyotaro's state, hence; he was carefully thinking of a countermeasure to retaliate. Continuously gathering the ideas inside his thoughts, Ryo Kirizawa is a tough opponent, that's why he must think of an appropriate plan to make a sudden move to turn the tide.

A man wearing the same police uniform quickly entered the scene as well.

"Hah!!!!!"

The man screamed out loud.

He was Eichiro Mikoto: Kyotaro Takahashi's best friend. That is really a very regretful and horrifying moment for him. His tears keeps on dropping to the asphalt road, he's sure that Kyotaro is also crying this time. No matter how strong his best friend could be, it's treated that this incident is his worst experience. It's like he's feeling hopeless.

Seto's attention was taken to Eichiro. He looked at him within a distance: Eichiro was staring at that crushed bloody flesh with his knees bend. Seto took pity for him, feeling terribly sorry for Kyotaro as well as Eichiro with a sorrowful facial expression with his eyes half-closed, with his eyes casted downwards of course.

But despite those; Kyoshiro is still calm, he never indicated any sign of sympathy. His expression didn't change at all, it's very opposite to Seto's perception. Instead; he looked up the bright sky with a serious face, probably still thinking closely for some countermeasure.



Kyotaro was tightly tied around the old wooden chair where his entire body is seated. With his slightly bend body, and blindfolded face pointed towards the messy floor, his tears kept on falling.

He was rather broken; in the verge of tears. With arms still shivering and keeps on biting on his lower lip as hard as he could in order to resist the very terrible pain. His entire body never fails on producing cold sweat from top to bottom each and every second.

"So; in this very crucial moment, I wonder what the hero of justice would do..."

Ryo said those words with an overwhelmingly smiling face pointed to the crying police officer.

Ryo and Miura was in front of Kyotaro. The two of them were standing, while Miura is preparing some tools. He placed a knife, a hammer, pliers, some concrete nails, electronic drill, and some needles as well as a baseball bat. Based from those tools, the outcome of this would be obvious. A "torture" is to be expected to happen. He suddenly wears a disposable gloves after preparing all those things and placed it in a single old wooden table.

"You know, Kyotaro-san; you're very unfortunate. Because it happens to be that I'm the kind of person who really hates heroes."

Ryo says so with his absolutely disappointed facial expression, then he continued:

"-they are disgusting. I really hate watching them save the day. Their life is absolutely boring, they always win. Oh, I forgot; sometimes they also lose right? But that only happens on the beginning of the story, because once the end comes, they always

win. In the end, they always became the victor; take all the praises to themselves. When I was a kid, I was disgusted by watching those, they doesn't even have the capability to give me the suspense or thrill on watching them. In other words, they are simply an absolute form of boredom. Only the idiots loves heroes, they thought that they were cool, they thought that they were awesome, they thought that they were superb, they thought that they were righteous!! Such nonsense!!!"

Ryo shouted with an enraged face, but then he smiled.

"-from the start, I know that heroes don't exist in the real world. It's impossible to do exactly what you're expecting. When you try to say that you can do something for someone, the outcome doesn't always turn to be the way that you desire. That is something that you should learn from me Kyotaro-san. In reality heroes doesn't always win."

Ryo turns his back, he looked at Miura as he nodded. To show the response that his Boss is expecting, he picked something up from the old wooden table. Those are some nails and a hammer. Thus he walked until he gets close to Kyotaro.

"Kyotaro-san!! I wanted for you to learn..., that heroes doesn't exist in the real world!!!"

Ryo shouted after facing again Kyotaro's direction.

"-I've heard that you haven't even used a gun since you started to become a police officer."

Miura held Kyotaro's left hand and placed to the chair's arm.

"Huwahhhh!!!!"

Kyotaro screams. He still tried to struggle while breathing heavily, but on his condition right now, he just can't oppose.

Miura pressed Kyotaro's left hand.

"Kyotaro-san, as the one playing the role of a villain in your life, I'd like to give the hero of justice like you a thrill that you've never expected. To simplify things, I may say that I will erase your beloved dream."

Ryo said.

Miura lifted his right arm holding a hammer. Then he unexpectedly smashed Kyotaro's index finger.

"Arghhhhhh!!!!!!!!!"

Kyotaro screams so loud with his face pointed upwards and mouth wide-opened.

"Ha!! Ha haa!!"

Ryo laugh as strong as he can.

Kyotaro's index finger was crushed. His bones and his flesh were revealed from his skin. Scarlet blood burst out from it. At first, he thought that he had cried enough for losing a right hand, he never ever thought that he'll cry the same amount of tears for the second time. The pain that he is suffering only gets heavier and heavier. His blindfold were totally soaked wet in tears.

"Right! Kyotaro-san., I wanted to see that facial expression of yours for all the time. So how does it feel to lose your dream? Losing your index finger would just result for your incompetency as a police officer. Staring this time, you cannot pull the trigger anymore. You're nothing but a useless and heavy burden in the side of the police."

Ryo loudly said with delight.

This is ultimately cruel. Ryo Kirizawa erased Kyotaro's dream in a second. He really hates Kyotaro's personality that it takes him to do such things as torture.

"Do you know, huh.., Kyotaro-san; you should realize that life is very painful. No matter how strong or skilled you are, still you will feel hurt, you will feel pain!! You will suffer from agony!! I know that you still haven't prepared yourself for this. Those years of police training still isn't enough to resist the pain of losing a right hand and a left index finger. So..., where is that positive side of yours. Do you really think that you can hide secrets from me? That plan that your group executed is way too careless. It's so obvious that Hoshi will never go that far just to save you. Though at first I can't really find an evidence that you're an undercover, still I have doubts in you. Then I said to myself, killing one suspected member wouldn't really be great loss. It's better to sacrifice one person than to consistently have failed deals right? That is one fatal flaw about the National Police Agency, they didn't even regard their opponent's attitude and personality. And so, those doubts happens to be correct. Ha ha ah!!"

Ryo followed his words with laughter.

Then afterwards, he kept his mouth shut together with a very irritated facial expression.

"I'm really pissed off of your attitude if you know it. Do you know the main reason why I'm disgusted on watching heroes?"

Kyotaro kept on looking down, with his mouth closed.

"It's because they haven't even seen despair, pain, misery, sorrow, and terror in their life. Before you try to make yourself a hero, you should know how to become a villain first. You should first figure out and understand how the villains are made of, you must first know the suffering that they've encountered. Try to apply that same suffering to yourself, and if you have endured it without affecting your psychological manner and point of view in life, and still have the will to be a hero, then I can say that you deserve to become one and call yourself as hero of justice."

"-unfortunately I haven't seen that on you. You're only a man who's trying to act as a hero, an actor of righteousness, a fake."

Ryo's eyes wide-opened.

"Now!!! Talk to me Kyotaro-san!!!... Do you still want to be a hero!!!!"

Ryo casted his face downwards and closed his eyes, and then he smiled.

Kyotaro didn't reply. He already fainted, probably because of that worst pain.



Two days had passed since then but still, Kyotaro wasn't found. He hasn't shown any evidence or hint about his presence. At the same time, the Executioners still haven't appeared. However the topic about the Executioner were still set aside, for now, the desk's focus is about Kyotaro's disappearance.

Everyone was worried, but Kyoshiro was an exception, he really is stone-hearted if we say so as he's still wearing a calm facial expression. The Senior Superintendent were already informed about it, basically; he was shocked about his subordinate's actions. More apparently; Seto's actions. Because of it, he immediately called Seto to his office.

"I'm disappointed Hibari-san. How could you forget to inform me of what is happening? Have you already forgotten about what happened to your father long ago? This method is exactly the same as your father's task the day he failed to survive from that Executioner. You shouldn't have forgotten that fact Hibari-san!!!"

Jin shouted. Showing a very disappointed feeling.

Seto didn't speak a single word. He knew all along that he's mistaken. Jin is really disappointed about his decision as the major investigator of the case before Kyoshiro takes over.

"Have you ever thought about this? Though the Executioners are still isn't involved, it turns out that your group is already taking a hard time. All of you aren't prepared yet to this, if you can't handle this current situation, then how would you even imagine the next possible worse cases if the Executioners starts to make their move?"



The time was 19:48. Ryo enters a luxurious café' as he slowly took a seat and orders a black coffee. Afterwards, a waiter came in and placed his cup to a glass table of his. That coffee sure is hot as its smoke is precisely spreading out. It's the reason why he still didn't attempt to sip even a small amount of it. While waiting for that coffee to cool off a little, he tried to open a newspaper and read several of its contents.

"So until now, there isn't a single news about that missing police officer."

Ryo said in his inner voice; and then he smiled and said:

"Just how can you hide that secret for long Kanzaki-san?"

"shing..."

The chimes from the café's door sounded because someone just entered.

A suspicious man with a black hoodie came and took the seat in front of him. Ryo gazed to that man, which could only mean that he doesn't know him.

"Ryo Kirizawa-san; I'm glad that I've finally had a free chat with you."

The man said. His voice were in resemblance to someone familiar within the Iwate Prefectural Police.

"I'm happy to hear that from you. But first of all, who the hell are you?"

That man picked something up from the pocket of his jacket. That moment, Ryo immediately looked at the man's pocket with a very serious stare. He's assuming that that man is trying to pick up a gun. Yet, his expectations happens to be a mistake. The man picked up a police badge and showed it to Ryo. The name written from that badge was - [Kihara Kyoshiro].

Ryo smiled:

"So..., I assume you're here for some information right?"

"It's so weird to see you reading newspaper. So you really are staying with the classics. I mean; you can just use the internet for finding news; that would be more convenient right?"

"Are you telling me to use the hologram system instead of reading a plain newspaper? I really would argue with that. Those technologies just makes my eyes irritated."

"-Shut up..., let's proceed to the topic."

Kyoshiro suddenly crossed.

"Actually I came here to have a negotiation. My superiors doesn't know anything about this. If you'll question me on how I've figured out why you're here, my answer would be simple. I have already observed your daily routine."

"You really have no shame of yourself forcing me to shut up though you're the one who started that newspaper topic. But setting that aside, I'm really a bit surprised."

Ryo replied with a smile on his face.

"-at 7:00 you'll be awake because of your digital alarm clock, you'll be on preparation and then work at your own business company. That would be the time when you'll be busy for more things, but of course you'll never forget about your main job. At 11:25, you'll make a call to "Miura" (your most trusted men) to be updated of all the happenings. At exactly 12:00, you'll have your lunch. And thus, after your busy day, you'll go to have a drink of coffee in this place. I've observed all your movements from time to time, and based on those information, I've found out that this is the perfect time to have a perfect chat with you."

Ryo then shows a grin:

"That observation is futile unless you can't figure out where that police officer is hidden right? So now you're telling me to have a negotiation with you? Is that it? Kihara-san?"

Thus, Kyoshiro continued.

"-oh I've forgot, this is not like those usual times right? Your bodyguards were not here because you're meeting someone. Let's say, you're going to have a dinner with your wife right?"

Ryo's face suddenly turned serious.

"Okay.., okay..., I'm convinced now. So; what is your demand this time? Kihara-san?"

"As I said just a while ago, I am here for negotiations. More precisely, the two of us were here for the same negotiation."

Kyoshiro smiled bitterly as he stared at Ryo and continued:

"-Don't you get what I mean? To make things clear I am opposing you with the same kind of punishment."

Ryo's eyes suddenly wide-opened. Then he closed it as he said:

"I get it now. Are you really gonna do that? That could be a disgrace to your ethics as a police officer."

"Right this time, your wife were being abducted by me, I guess it's time to have an unfair fight. I demand to exchange hostages. You must bring me Kyotaro Takahashi tomorrow."

"-and then if not! What are you gonna do?"

Ryo crossed with a confident facial expression.

"I know that you can't do something injustice. Tell me, what will you do to my wife if I refuse to your demand? Are you gonna kill her? I know that you don't have the nerve to do such acts."

Kyoshiro looks down the table, then he smiled sinisterly and said:

"Have you forgotten what I've just said recently? I said it's time to have an unfair fight. To fight unfairly means to fight unfairly. Say Kirizawa-san, What if your wife don't have any idea that a police is the one behind her abduction? Of course; all people can lie, all people can keep secrets, and most of all, all people can make anyone suffer the same pain that Takahashi-san's supposedly resisting from until now."

"You bastard!!!"

Ryo was enraged that hard as he replied with his loudest voice.

"You're the only person to be blamed about this Kirizawa-san. Actually you're the person who led me of having the idea of this plan. The Shiki's requirements to join is to have someone you care right? And if that member happens to commit a mistake, then his family or loved ones will suffer the consequences. So how does it feel to have the same amount of suffering that your failed subordinates already had? It's too painful right?"

Kyoshiro stands up and turned around, then he tilted his head and looked at Ryo's enraged and guilty facial expression.

Suddenly he turned his head around with the opposite direction from Ryo conveying a serious face.

"Oh; I've almost forgot."

Then he smiled as he continued.

"Just joking. How could I forget the most important aim of having this chat?"

He closed his eyes as he said:

"I knew that you know something about the foreign phrases entitled [Facilis Descensus Averni]."

"..."

Ryo's eyed wide-opened upon hearing those words.

"Don't worry Kirizawa-san. I know that we'll talk about it the next day. After all I just triggered your curiosity."

Thus he smiled at Ryo.

"You know what you'll do Kirizawa-san."

Kyoshiro gets out of the café' and left the place; leaving the worried boss behind.



Ryo hurriedly treads towards the parking lot and heads to his car. He dialed his wife's phone number, but unfortunately, that call was unattended. It only means that Kyoshiro's words is true. Most importantly, he's expecting his wife to come, yet she didn't. With the possibility that his wife doesn't even made a single phone call to him about her current situation why she can't go to the café' is one concrete proof that Kyoshiro's not joking around. Before entering his car, he first attempted to keep on redialing his phone until his hands gives up. But no matter how many calls he makes, no one's answering.

Without expectations, Ryo unknowingly felt a half a second pain on the left side of his neck. Before he knew it, there's a needle-like thing thrust to his neck. It's like an injection; or some kind of a syringe.

His head suddenly became heavier and heavier for some unknown reason. His vision started to blur and afterwards blackout; falling to sudden slumber. That needle-like thing thrust to his neck supposedly has a high dosage of a tranquilizing substance.



Ryo opened his eyes as he observes himself sole on a small quadrilateral shaped dim room with a single switched on light bulb. His hands were both cuffed on the metal chair that he's seated. Kyoshiro and Seto suddenly entered the room.

He smiled as he witnesses Kyoshiro's confident posture in front of him.

"So this is your unfair game."

"Kirizawa-san, I'd like you to cooperate. Take us to Takahashi-san."

Kyoshiro says with a calm expression.

"Your wife is still under our custody, so if you refuse, I believe that you'll only regret it."

Seto continued.

"So even the Superintendent of the police approved this unjustifiable plan. You think that I'll regret it? Are you making fun of me? Go on.., kill my wife if you want, you can take her!! I don't care."

Loudly replied by Ryo with his eyes wide-opened.

Then..,

"Bang!!!.., Bang!!!.., Bang!!!..,"

Three succeeding very loud gunshots was heard inside that small interrogation room.

Ryo and Seto was shocked to the fullest because that very loud gunshot were apparently doubled because of the very close and tight space of that room.

Kyoshiro was the one who fired those gunshots for three consecutive times.

"I really hate to see people that are obviously lying!!"

He said in a very fast manner.

Ryo was terrified by that sudden unexpected action. So Kyoshiro knows that he's lying. Actually, those three shots were pointed and fired towards him, but Kyoshiro didn't hit him intentionally. Those actions would supposedly end to Ryo's shock and fear, and somehow it seemed like Kyoshiro's intention turned out to be the exact way he anticipated.

"Okay!!!"

Ryo shouted, and then he sighed thus continued:

"I'll take you to Kyotaro-san."

So after all, Ryo still cannot be called as inhuman. He still possesses feelings and emotions. He still has a person who's very precious to him that even he; himself cannot betray.



The old house in which Kyotaro's hidden were filled with silence. Kyotaro's still unconscious, his body is bend curvedly, while facing down the floor. His right arm were wrapped with bandages so that the continuous bleeding would stop and for him to survive until this day. Kyotaro was really tough, other people would be already dead after suffering such kind of torture like that.

He already lost a right hand, as well as his left index finger. It's really a terrible pain, but that's not all. Based from what you can observe to his entire body from that scourge, the two days that have passed also ended up to severe torture. He has so many wounds that literally could never heal. All his remaining four fingers from his left hand were pierced through with a small nail. Those nails were pierced to the chair's arms that's why he cannot even make a single move of his hand.

Some of his teeth were forcibly removed from his gums which is the reason why his mouth is filled with blood. Based on the form of his wounds from his head, it's like he was also smashed by solid material several times. It's like his entire body were also smashed by a metal baseball bat. There's also several signs of acute slices found in his body. The fingers of his toes was drilled, needles are thrust on some parts of his skin. And the worse of all, is that there are several bottles of disinfectants all over the place. Probably those disinfectants purpose is not for having an aid, but

to multiply the feeling of pain once those are spilled to even a very small wound.

That suffering..., is too much.



Seto and Kyoshiro was inside a taxi (Seto was actually taking the driver's seat). Afterwards, Ryo walks towards their car while both of his hands were tightly cuffed, and escorted by two police officers. He's forcibly entered to the backseat of that vehicle, then; Seto started to run its engine.

"Hmm.., a taxi; how convenient."

Ryo says in a seemingly convinced tone of voice once the car started.

The taxi moved forward as its tires screeches and heads out of the Police Headquarters' gate. But before the vehicle successfully left the area, Eichiro directly looked at it with an enraged facial expression. It' like he's gonna curse Ryo even in the afterlife.

Afterwards, an armored vehicle gets out of the Headquarters' gate just few minutes after their taxi left.



While Seto was calmly driving the car, he suddenly turned left, and because of that, Ryo's eyebrows furrowed.

"Tell me, to where exactly are we going? You're obviously taking us to a different route."

"That's just how it is Kirizawa-san, this is just a part of the game. Do you know the saying "Slowly but surely?" - I guess every businessman knows it. That's exactly what we're doing this time."

Kyoshiro answered calmly.

Ryo then smiles, his face was filled with delight as he said.

"I get it now, you're taking a different route so that my men will be diverted by your actions. I know; that you've already send a decoy that will be directly headed to that place where Kyotaro-san is hidden right?"

At the same time as Ryo was saying those words, the [decoy] that he's been talking about entered a tunnel, and right before that armored vehicle get out of the dark place, two men riding a car fired up barrage of gunshots. Seconds before that [decoy vehicle] came out of the dark tunnel, its tires were already shot, resulting for it to be immovable. The vehicle is an armored type car, that's why the criminals didn't have a second doubts of firing multiple gunshots, and in order for that vehicle to stop, the only way is to blow up its tires. Other men from Ryo comes closer to that vehicle and checked if their Boss is inside. Yet, they failed, instead; they found out that that car was remote controlled. No one was driving the vehicle. Afterwards, a helicopter and groups of police cars surrounded the place, which led to the criminal's surrender.

But unexpectedly, one of them tried to struggle and thrown a grenade bomb to one of the police's vehicles which quickly resulted for a loud explosion, then as expected, a sniper from that

helicopter fired a single shot which hit that troublesome criminal's head; in which, immediately resulted to his demise.

That explosion was heard by the three of them from a far distance. Seto looked at the direction of that sound and witnessed smokes continuously blown away from that place.

"Your men didn't succeed, isn't that right, Kirizawa-san?"

Kyoshiro says while he's still remaining so calm.

Ryo just ignored his seemingly insulting words, as if he wasn't affected by any of it. More like his men's unsuccessful actions wasn't a big deal. He remained his face casted downwards with his two eyes half closed.

They finally came close to their destination. It's already 9:28AM, the sun shines bright as they can have a clear vision of that area. The three of them gets out of the taxi.

Seto stands straight as he takes a view of a seemingly abandoned area of the city.



Meanwhile, Jin Kanzaki made his order to many police officers gathered together in a wide hall. Many numbers of them gets out with each of their police vehicles as he ordered them to follow Kyoshiro and Seto's heading site.

Jin initiated to go together with Eichiro. Approximately twenty police vehicles runs fast as each of their sirens sounded lively.



While his hands were still cuffed, he insisted the two police officers to follow him. Ryo walks towards that old house, while Kyoshiro and Seto were still following his footsteps. The moment when they successfully had a distance from their taxi, a loud sound coming from the helicopter's rotor blade was suddenly heard by the three of them.

And then... ,

"Swoosh..."

A missile from that helicopter was released and locked on towards the taxi.

That exact moment, Ryo turned around and faced the two police officer's direction. He smiled bitterly as he said.

"My advance apology; Kihara-san."

"BOOM!!!"

The missile quickly struck down the taxi as its entire parts and fragments massively exploded. A strong shockwave was released as Seto and Kyshiro was blown away and fell down to the ground.

Most fragments of that taxi were spread all over. Fortunately the two police officers weren't hit by those sharp-edged fragments. Kyoshiro quickly gets up from his knees as he dragged his

Superintendent's arm to get out of the mess. It's really unbelievable that Kyoshiro came to drag his seemingly unconscious vice commander's entire body. Perhaps it's because of his adrenaline. Seto then came to his senses and gets up following Kyoshiro. While the two of them was running towards the tough and concrete wall, Kyoshiro looked at the helicopter's direction as he witnesses Ryo already inside it and watches them with a pitiful, smiling facial expression. That face is like a face of a main protagonist that have decided to end everything. It's like he have given up to something, more like abandoning the life of his wife, but it's like that's not the case, it's like he's trying to convey a message from that smile.

"Demon...,"

Kyoshiro said in his thoughts. He took that smile as an insult.

The pilot of the helicopter was about to press the button to launch another missile but...,

"That's not necessary for now. Let's just scare them."

Ryo said in which the pilot agrees half-heartedly as he nods.



[FEW MINUTES BEFORE THE EXACT INCIDENT]

Kyotaro was fully awakened by the loud explosion coming from that missile. While still having a blindfold, he moved his mouth as he whispered to himself the name:

"Eichiro."

"This is too miserable.., "

Kyotaro suddenly heard a very soft tone of voice coming from a girl as he tries to sense its direction. That voice could also be a mere delusion.

"Angel."

He said softly.

He just heard a very angelic voice of a girl.



*"Sh*t." Kyoshiro said in his thoughts, he was mistaken again with his calculations. He sneaked a peak at that flying helicopter.*

Ryo then smiled towards him, then he unexpectedly salutes at the enraged police officer before the helicopter turns around and prepares to escape. That salute is certainly a grave insult on the Police Inspector's side. Kyoshiro was really upset because that salute is directly pointed towards him.

The helicopter turns around.

Then just in a blink of an eye, the Executioner popped up inside. All of them was shocked and extremely bothered by that man's so sudden appearance. But Ryo was an exception. He is so calm, as if he already knew that the Executioner will show up in times like this.

"So that's how you looks like, I still can't understand why [they] are calling you as a God."

Ryo said with a calm voice.

From a far distance, Kyoshiro and Seto watched the helicopter while it's losing its balance as if it's directly falling to the ground. No.., that's not exactly what happened, because if you make a

closer inspection, you'll see that the helicopter's rotor blade was destroyed.

Ryo never loses his composure while the helicopter is in the middle of a great fall. The Executioner was standing still inside, in a matter of seconds, he bend his body while holding a katana. The helicopter started to fall vertically as the person's inside lost their balance. But of course, the Executioners was an exception. That assailant is really skilled, he was still on a perfect stance for assassination as if his shoes sticks through the helicopter's base and remains his balance.

The three victims of the chopper; and that includes Kirizawa, were piled up to the helicopter's cockpit as it falls even faster. The motion of everything suddenly turns very slow, as the Executioner removes his katana from its sheath and slashed the all of them inside.

Thus, after that action, the Executioner quickly returned his katana.

"Shiing..,"

That was the sound coming from that action.

At exactly the second he returned it to its case, the motion of everything returned to normal. Actually, it's not that the time really turned slow, that slow motion is only to describe how the Executioner does his assassination in flash.

To be exact, that action of removing his sword from its sheath, doing a single slash, and then returning the sword only takes 0.005 seconds to precisely execute. That is what a true assassin should be, killing a future victim in an instant. The pilot, one other

criminal, and Ryo were horizontally sliced as each of their blood splattered the helicopter's interior.

Seto and Kyoshiro watched this unexpected scenery from under, as if their faces were exactly looking at that direction. Both of their eyes wide-opened, they were shocked about this, maybe the helicopter's engine shut off, but then...

Their jaws suddenly dropped as they witnessed the blood that were splattered inside that falling chopper. And also inside it, Kyoshiro witnessed a man with a long white straight hair.

His eyes widened even larger.

The helicopter then crashed to the surface as it caused a great impact which resulted for it to explode violently.

"BOOM!!!"

That explosion was so loud as the entire helicopter still kept on burning. No one was shouting from inside it which means that all the three persons would probably be dead.

Seto's attention was taken to the helicopter broken into pieces. But Kyoshiro didn't, he's staring up with his eyes still wide-opened.

Seto looked at the police inspector's terrified facial expression. Because of it, he also stared at the same direction where Kyoshiro is looking. His eyes also widened, as well as his face was extremely enraged. As if he saw his Arch nemesis, his mortal enemy, his worst rival - "The Executioner."

The Executioner stands still from the top of the tall pillar while his hair was lifted lively by the strong wind from above. He looked at the two high rank police officers of Iwate Prefecture as he smiled bitterly.



"I, was hearing a voice. It was a voice from the heaven, a very soft voice of an angel. Will God save me this time? Or else..., is this a sign that God will take me to heaven? Those two options could work..., but really, is there a God who will save me? Is there a God who will take me to heaven?"

Kyotaro said in his thoughts.

Then he smiled.

"-of course not, because if God exists, then I wouldn't be suffering like this from the start. I guess if there's really a presence of God, then I think he despised me. It's really unfair, I have a great trust in him. I'm doing all that I can to correct every mistakes, but why is this happening?"

He said in his thoughts while his tears kept on falling as his blindfold was soaked wet.

"This world really is unfair isn't it?"

The girl with the lovely angelic voice said.

Haruka was the source of that voice. She's the one whom Kyotaro misinterpreted as an angel. She's in front of that pitiful police officer while continuously watches his agony.

"Yes..., "

Kyotaro answered.

"-you're right, I think God created this world to be unfair with his creations. Tell me; why am I suffering like this? Do I deserve all these consequences.., do a person like myself; -- a person who's doing the right thing for the sake of the others - be suffering from an insanely terrible pain? I don't know what to do anymore, this isn't the kind of compensation that I deserve."

"You're dumb..., so dumb."

Haruka replied softly.

Kyotaro was suddenly shocked by that reply.

"From the moment you were born, you must accept the fact that the world is unfair and will always be unfair. God didn't created humans to suffer, humans are the ones who walks with their very own lives. You must accept to yourself every kinds of things that is happening to you even if either it's for the best or for the worst."

Haruka explained with a concerned tone of voice.

This is very unparticular for an Executioner to do such acts. Maybe it's only a part of her entertainment, or perhaps she is only showing her fake face. But despite those possibilities, Haruka's words and tone of voice was kind of different. She's an Executioner, yet her perception about God is exceptional. Her face that moment was showing a sad expression, as if she's carried on by her emotions.

"So, you think that God can still save me?"

Kyotaro questioned with a delightful manner.

"U-Uhmm, I thinks so,"

Haruka replied in a hush.

Kyotaro casted his face downwards and smiled.

"Hmm, even an angel can't make a direct answer from my question. I guess the concept about God is full of mystery. But setting that one aside, I really don't care anymore."

He took a deep breath and then afterwards he sighed and said:

"Okay; looks like this fight is over for me. Besides, I guess Ryo was correct back then, even if I miraculously survive, still; I wouldn't know whether if I can still play the role of a competent police officer. Now; for what I'm sure is that I'm just a heavy burden that anyone couldn't hold on any longer."

Kyotaro laughs for a second.

"Ha.., ha.., I guess reality is full of despair, reality is too painful, being a hero of justice is so hard than I've ever imagined. I should've just left that dream behind, because dreams are extremely opposite from reality."

"-Angel; I can't take it anymore, I have longed enough from a terrible pain. If you insist, please take me to heaven with you. I just want to be settled down, and if God can't accept me in heaven, then I will still respect his decision."

"With those words of yours, I can clearly say that you're still a human. You know.., all the pain and suffering that you're resisting right now is not even close compared to the eternal agony in hell."

Haruka replied.

"-but anything else."

She continued.

"-I still have my trust to God that there's still a chance for you to be saved by him. So; for now...,"

Haruka tilted head as she shed a single tear.



"-it's really sad because you won't make any good memories anymore."

A quick sound of splattering blood together with a piercing sound of a steel came to follow after those words that came out of her mouth.



Kyoshiro's expression became blank, his eyes darkened, while still kept on looking up towards the Executioner.

While completely filled with anger, Seto quickly pointed his handgun and fired four consecutive gunshots to the standing still Executioner. But before the fast bullets gets close, the Executioner suddenly vanished. That was too fast..., the two of them completely lost their vision to him.

Thus, Seto felt a very horrible aura behind him, he slowly turned his neck with a shocked facial expression. This is the second time that he felt this terrible sensation. His body just kept on trembling, and his heart beats so fast.

He imagined like a very thrilling sound was playing to his ear as he will witness his father's murderer. A face of a man who's never

showing a sign of scare, a very calm facial expression as if he already witnessed hundreds of people brutally died in front of him.

While still slowly moving his neck, he saw the Executioner's back, with his very long white straight hair. His face also turned towards him.

A strong wind suddenly blows as the three of them stopped to move a single muscle.

The entire surrounding turned completely silent after that strong wind. Each of their face turned serious as they precisely start to move.

In a blink of an eye, Seto and Kyoshiro pointed each of their handguns to the Executioner, as the same time as the Executioner just suddenly returned his katana to its sheath was a metallic sound produced for about half a second.

The two of them can't comprehend with the Executioner's actions. But then they decided to put that aside first. Their handguns were pointed towards the Executioner. This game is over. The two police officer's face were filled with confidence.

"Farewell...,"

Seto said. Thus, the Executioner suddenly smiled bitterly.

Before they pull the trigger, they were startled because their handguns were sliced diagonally. The diagonally-cut part of their gun fell to the ground.

The two confident police suddenly became speechless. The moment they witnessed the Executioner placing his katana to its case indicated the end of his quick actions. 0.005 seconds could really be even faster than the blink of an eye, at the exact time when they was about to point their gun towards him, he already slashed the gun and precisely sliced it.

The two of them assumed that the game's over for the Executioner, but consequently, it had turned out that the game is over for them instead.

There's nothing else that they can do, Seto just dropped the useless handgun of his.

The Executioner widely bended his left arm while holding his short katana. Quickly bended his body, he quickly cleaved Seto's stomach with his sword. The very exact moment when the Executioner returns his katana to its sheath, the blood spilled out of Seto's wound as he suddenly fell to the ground. He is crouched, with his legs spread open, while continuously looking at his wounded body.

Kyoshiro ran out of anger, he suddenly became wild. With his expressionless eyes and totally enraged face, he was out of his mind as he rushed towards the Executioner and prepares to make a powerful but careless punch. He must've known that a single or even a couple of punches is futile, yet he still attempted to do so. But no matter how it looks, it's like there is no other option that he can do, unless he had other weapons that he can use. But there isn't anything, his only weapon for this time is his own strength.

However, no matter how strong will he has, he knows to himself that it isn't enough. That action could only be a burst of emotion.

His fist is quickly getting closer to the Executioner, but the Executioner made an advanced counter, he placed his right palm to Kyoshiro's body and a very powerful shockwave came out of it which instantly blows off Kyoshiro's entire body to a far distance until his back clashes to a wall. He felt the very terrible impact to his entire body.

That shockwave is something that he have never experienced from before. It's like his vital organs were being sting with thin needles. He was feeling a very terrible pain as his upper and lower teeth are grinding to each other. That shockwave came directly from the Executioner's palm, which is categorized as one of his supernatural ability.

The two police officers were in their worst situations. Seto's vision starts to become very blurry as he touches his wounded body by his right hand and witnesses scarlet blood all over his palm. While Kyoshiro was about to breakdown as he can't feel some of his body parts specifically starting with his legs and feet.

Afterwards, the Executioner walked towards the old house where Kyotaro's been hidden. But after he do so, a sound coming from the helicopter's lively turning rotor blade came closer to them. Then, countless police vehicles sounded with their loud sirens.

Kanzaki quickly entered the scene where he can make a perfect vision to the Executioner and fired single gunshot with his handgun. The bullet was quickly approaching the Executioner as that assailant smiles so bitterly with his face casted downwards.

The bullet directly hit the Executioner in the head. Kanzaki as well as Seto's eyes wide-opened. Is everything over? Of course it isn't. They were shocked not because the Senior Superintendent shot the Executioner in the head, but because he didn't even fell

down to the ground. That murderer isn't even affected; not a single scratch was shown in his head.

Is that really what supernatural occurrence is? This is clear proof or evidence, that Kyoshiro's deductions is an entire mistake to begin with. Executioners really are on the higher rank compared to humans in the world's hierarchy. They really resembles the Angels and Demons.

The Executioner faced Kanzaki's direction with his head tilted. Then he smiled.

Thus, without any expectations, a girl came out of the old house. She was carrying a weapon shaped like a cross behind her.

This was the first time that the police witnessed Haruka's appearance. Their face were all differently painted. First of all, they have no idea who that girls is. They just can't understand what that girl's role is, it's because her appearance only deceives every one of them. She is just a young girl, most exactly; a 16 years old young lady. She has a stunningly cute face with her eyes the same color as blood.

It's really hard to comprehend if she really is an Executioner - that was everyone's first impression. But Seto felt something very different. That girl is a real devil.., it's obviously clear, that a normal person could never carry a heavy looking weapon like that.

Then he suddenly remembered something..,

<<I-I saw it, h-he killed my son..., and his friend by both of his h-hands, he turned them all into this. It's like they were incinerated.., in --hell. And then after those thick smokes came out of his hands, I clearly saw a huge c-cross. >>

He remembered the woman's statement after the first Fiery Executioner's killing incident.

"The huge cross...," -he said in his thoughts with eyes wide-opened. It suddenly gave him the chills down his spine as he suddenly forget the pain from his open body-wound.

"-how could I forget those important details."-he quickly whispered to himself.

Then, he again remembered something very important as his eyes wide-opened for the second time.

"This can't be happening..., the worst case scenario, the third possible resolution...,"

The "worst case scenario"; Seto remembered the three possible scenarios that might happen. First- one Executioner must've been eliminated after the explosion. Second- is that both of the Executioners died from that incident, while the third one is this.

The worst case scenario- the situation wherein the two Executioners forms an alliance. It's really unparticular because the third event happens to be the one with the lowest possibility and yet it happens to be the outcome. Just what are the Executioner's reason/s of forming an alliance? No one still can found that answer.

The Executioner walked closely to the nearly frozen Senior Superintendent of the Iwate Prefectural Police. As long as Jin keeps on staring at the Executioner's face, it's like he's been recognizing someone whom he met before. All the police's attention were directed to the walking Executioner.

He suddenly crossed Kanzaki, but then he stopped after he was already beside the terrified and clueless face of the Senior Superintendent.

"So; Kanzaki-san am I right?"

The Executioner said with a calm and cold voice.

Kanzaki was shocked after the Executioner named him. He really can't understand himself, this was the first time that he saw the Executioner's face, yet it he felt like he have met or somehow crossed him before.

"Have you already forgotten this face? It's been so long since we saw each other's faces closely. It's like you've become older than me. Kanzaki-san; I want you to do something for me..."

He said with a whisper-like-voice.

He looked to the ground and continued:

"-the "Hell's Contract"; I guess it's about time for [him] to take the bait."

Jin was startled by the Executioner's last words.

Afterwards; the two Executioners suddenly vanished from the police's sight. They were gone with just a blink of an eye. The Executioner left the site with a total mystery. It's like he had given a highly confidential and special task to Kanzaki. Only the two of them heard that one-man conversation. One question remains; just what does he mean about the "Hell's Contract"? Though Haruka mentioned that name on her first appearance; still, it has plenty of mysteries.



Because the Executioners already left, Eichiro initiated to run to that old house. He still never loses hope, despite of him being a pessimist.

"Kyotaro must be alive..., no matter what!! He must be alive!!"

He said loudly inside his thoughts as if he wants to scream those words out loud.

He successfully entered and then goes inside each of the house's corners while shouting Kyotaro's name. After a short while, he finally saw his best friend. Tears unknowingly came out of his wide-opened eyes. He pressed his hand towards his mouth as he was about to throw up.

He just can't take it anymore. A Rembrandt light flashed towards his best friend's dead body. Kyotaro was smiling with his face casted downwards, his blindfold was finally removed. That smile really has a great meaning, in which he really insisted to die in order for him to be free and be released from very terrible suffering.

Meanwhile; Kanzaki were still frozen, he is still on the state of shock as if he have seen a very horrible ghost. And then, without noticing to himself, he unknowingly mentioned the name:

"Tatsuoh Yatogami."

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