Chapter 30

ALS flashlight

1===

That Tosu Reika… fooling me around…

Sfx kada kada

...Whatever.

I got my tool.

2===

What did you buy?

Huh?

ALS flashlight…

Do you know it?

Ah… you mean those things from crime shows… that shows blood stains…

That's right.

Nobuto was last heard from this room… but there were no witnesses…

So worst case scenario, he never left this apartment… how about that…?

...huh… so?

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Maybe he died here, in this apartment?

… Is what I thought.

No reactions… he's not worried…?

Oh well…

I'll know soon enough.

Sfx pa ta

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Fuck… there's nothing…

Oh well… it was just a hunch…

Nobuto went missing during work hours…

It's not that unusual to not have witnesses…

Sfx Pada

In that case… Nobuto…

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"Left the apartment and was abducted" or,

"Left the apartment, hopped on one of his friend’s car and disappeared"... These two options…

In the first case, Tetsuo would be the culprit…

If he attacked Nobuto outside…

It will be very difficult to find any bloodstains now.

But… why do I feel…

Uneasy… #Reword

Don't notice…

Don't notice…

[The blacklight I bought on my way back, and the ALS flashlight Kyoichi got…]

Label: blacklight, ALS flashlight

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[Were swapped!]

[Which means Kyoichi is using blacklight… which does not show bloodstains...]

Graph:

1 ALS flashlight package

Open

2 blacklight and transparent plastic

Buy a blacklight that is smaller than the ALS flashlight, clean the glue of the packaging

3 staple them together

ALS flashlight package will be slightly larger

4 cut off the extra, and complete

But… from what I know, ALS flashlight will also illuminate things besides blood…

Such as…

Fingerprint…!!

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Kyoichi should not have seen any fingerprint…

He might be too focused on finding bloodstains…

A room without fingerprints is obviously impossible…!

But it's only my first time seeing a real ALS flashlight…

It's probably the first time for Kyoichi as well…

I don't think he knows the exact effect of the flashlight… like brightness or how blood react to it…

Phone call…?

Hey? It's me.

Is this really the one I asked you to buy? You didn't get a cheap knockoff did you?

Did he notice…!?

9===

How can that be? It costs almost a 100k! Plus the receipt is in the bag.

Yeah… you are right…

Ah… by the way, I know you said no need for reply,

But the envelope was delivered properly.

…!? Envelope…!?

Didn't you email me to deliver that envelope to your place?

Huh?

10===

Email…!?

No… I sent no such email!?

And it's not in the history.

No way…!?

I'm not lying, I'll forward you the email.

Yes please.

Did someone use your phone or laptop?

No… not possible…

I sent it.

You are right… it was sent from my email address…!

Right? Then… did someone hack your email account…?

11===

But I just changed the email password last week…

It's okay… I'll deal with it myself… thanks.

Got it.

Hacked!?

If so by whom?

… No way?

I was tracking his gps location…

… He hasn't moved since I cuffed him…

I even called him after I left, so it can't be him…

12===

I'll reboot… for now.

Sfx bibi

Sfx kala kala

Reboot…!? It's being reset!

[The keylogger, ]

[Is gone now!]

I can no longer obtain any information from his laptop, but at the same time, I don't need to worry about it being exposed.

It has served me well… the timing is perfect…

Next step… next plan…

If I cannot break into Kyoichi's apartment, all will be for naught…!!

This is… my last chance to set up the evidence…!

13===

By the way, Kyoichi-san…

...huh?

You and takeda-san don't really get along right?

… Where did you hear that from?

The other day I asked the surveillance guy too drive me around, we talked a lot.

That's why I don't let lower members….

14===

I heard from him…

That Takeda-san was suspecting you for this incident…

He also said Takeda-san was investigating you in secret.

[Of course we didn't talk about these…]

[But I can more or less tell they don't like each other based on their attitudes...]

… Me? Killing Nobuto?

15===

could it be…

Takeda-san who is behind all this?

...huh?

You couldn't find the email in the history right?

I've been thinking about how this could have been done…

You were listening…?

I think it's very difficult to hack the PC if it resets on reboot.

16===

But what if something was there from the start?

You got that laptop from the syndicate right?

… He's right… I never did thoroughly check the things on this laptop…

Then…

The item delivered to my house, what could it be?

17===

It can't be weapon it drugs,

There is no point framing someone in the same organization with illegal substances…

Since it could bring down the whole syndicate.

Bomb… probably not…

Ah!

What?

Tell me.

18===

If I’m no longer considered as the culprit…

Evidence that can frame you as the culprit… something like that?

19===

It's possible…

**We** should**…**

Go check, immediately.

[If he think this through…]

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[There is absolutely no reason to take me with him…!]

[I need him to panic…! I need him to lose his cool…!]

We should go there as soon as possible!

[Please!]

[Take the bait!]

End