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Chapter 51 Elder daughter, Anat (3)

Father and daughter implicitly agreed each other. They decided to call young pilot as 'Elite'. When she grew up, it naturally resulted in marriage. Her friends envied Anat. And whenever her husband was climbing up his military carrier, she drew applause from her friends. She was proud of her husband's success. She was convinced to herself that the success of her husband was due to her work on father.



She gradually became arrogant. She was recognized as a capable secretary to her father, retired general. She was an excellent secretary to be able to arrange the complicated appointments. No visitors who wanted to meet her father didn't ask her favors. Intoxicated by her oneness with her father, Anat turned into a proud woman. She had the illusion that she could control all the men who gathered around her. Even her husband was one of them. Her only one idol was her father.

Of course, she was enough wise not to forget the role of a virtuous and modest wife who obeyed her husband in public. In a military organization which requested absolute obedience, it was appreciated for wives to show an attitude of submission to their husband.

At the meeting of the wives of the officer's club, the order of the husband became automatically the order of the wife. The higher the rank of the husband, the stronger the position of the wife. Therefore, her husband had to be promoted at all costs. Anat's purpose in life was to make her husband an airforce general like her father. This strategy had worked well since her marriage.

(It did well until very recently -----)

Suddenly she frowned.

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She muttered and scrolled e-mail list. When one mail caught her eye, she spoke to her father.

"Daddy, I found a mail from the same guy. He is really persistent---"

"Who's the guy?"

"You can remember the man who chased after Shalom long ago. He came to our home and asked impudently you the marriage with her."

"I see. You're talking about 'Doctor Girgo'. At that time, in order to separate him from Shalom, I showed him very attractive offer about studying in the United States. I'm sure he jumped on it with great pleasure and went to the National Institutes of Health------

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