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Suicide Suspected In Security Guard's Death

SAN IGNACIO, Cayo, Thursday 8 December 2011:

While all instances of violent deaths of any individual initially begins as a murder investigation, the Thursday morning discovery of the dead body of a security officer is revealing several characteristics consistent with suicide.

At around 8:30 this Thursday morning, San Ignacio police

Security Oriented Services Limited (SOSL) and S&B Loans located at #59 Burns Avenue in San Ignacio. Upon arrival they were directed to the adjoining living quarters of SOSL security supervisor, **Thomas Bert Reyes II**.

The police approached the front door, pushed it open thereby instantly realizing that it was closed, but unlocked. Upon entering the room, they saw the

suspected dead body of Thomas Reyes on a blood soaked bed. The body, face upwards, was found with both feet on the floor. Beside the body, near the right hand, on the bed, police found a black 9 millimeter pistol along with one unexpended 9 millimeter bullet on the bed and on the floor near the right foot was a single expended 9 millimeter casing. The magazine

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Thomas Bert Reyes II, 49
Sunrise: 24 August 1962
Sunset: 8 December 2011

The Case Of The Sleeping Policeman

SAN IGNACIO, Cayo, Thursday, 8 December 2011:

Under normal circumstances, the term "*Sleeping Policeman*" denotes an obstruction across a street or highway installed to slow down vehicular traffic. It is nothing new to residents of western Belize, who encounter all 21 of them when travelling the western highway between Roaring Creek and Santa Elena.

In this instance however we are referring to an actual sleeping policeman. A policeman sleeping on duty inside the police station, it actually goes further, a policeman, on front desk duties, sleeping on his outstretched hands while he sat on a chair behind the desk resulting in the



PC #835 Selvyn Myers

disappearance of a pistol fitted with a magazine containing 10 live rounds of ammunition.

Fortunately for all concerned, except for the sleeping policeman and the thief, the entire incident was captured by the police internal surveillance camera system which revealed the arrival of the accused, Belize Defense Force soldier, **Adrian Gregory Francis**, at around 4:20 on the morning of Monday, 5 December while **Police Constable #835 Selvyn Myers** sat at the front desk. A few minutes later Myers fell asleep at the desk. Francis got up, bent over the sleeping policeman, opened the locker, took out the gun, walked into the corridor towards the cell block, stuck the



The Accused Gun Thief
Adrian Gregory Francis

gun into his waist band, returning to his original position in front of the sleeping policeman, woke him up, bucked knuckles and quickly

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Chanto Laid To Eternal Rest

SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo, Tuesday, 6 December 2011:

He was among the first set of taxi driver we knew growing in Santa Elena/San Ignacio and today **Melhem Antonio Awe**, popularly known as "**Chanto**" was laid to rest in San Ignacio.

A relative informed that his health conditions began to visibly deteriorate a few months ago. He requested and was taken to the San Ignacio hospital on Wednesday, 30 November and the following day he was transferred to the Western



Melhem Antonio Awe, 57

Regional Hospital in Belmopan where he remained until he

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fitted to the pistol was later found to contain 11 bullets.

The body was found clothed in a shirt and short pants and with what appeared to be gunshot wounds to both sides of the temple. The police also retrieved the lead from a bullet which was found stuck in a nearby wall.

Combining the position of the body on the bed, the location of the gun along with the single expended round on the floor nearby, the lead in the wall and the injuries to the head, paints a picture of the deceased standing next to the bed, placing the gun at point blank range to the right side of the head, pulling the trigger resulting in the bullet entering the right side of the head, exiting through the left side and eventually landing in the wall with the deceased falling backwards on the bed.

Police also found a sealed white, blood stained, envelope addressed "**To the Love of my life Mrs. Jenice C. Reyes**" signed "**Love always Tom**" with a gold, wedding type, ring on top of it. Also inside the room were a half bottle of rum and a glass containing liquor.

The scene was processed and the body was transported to the San Ignacio Community Hospital where, upon arrival at around 9:30 am, it was officially pronounced dead by the medical officer on duty, **Dr. Sandra Martinez**. The body was placed inside the morgue as it awaits the legally required post mortem examination.

The deceased, Thomas "Tom" Reyes, 49, a retired Sergeant of

the Belize Defense Force and a volunteer instructor in the reserve element of the Belize Defense Force, was working as an SOSL security officer for the past four years. He was transferred, about two months ago, to supervise the company's operations in San Ignacio.

While his friends, who routinely hung out with him on the Burns Avenue sidewalk across the street from the office, were looking for an explanation behind the tragedy, there was the talk about the possibility of the tragedy being triggered by the recent losing of security jobs in the community as this dominated his most recent conversations with his two sidewalk friends one of whom operated the adjacent S&B Loans business and the other his predecessor at SOSL. These two friends are reportedly the last persons to see him alive, when, at around 10 the previous morning, he left them on the sidewalk, walked across the street, entered his living quarters, exited through the office door, padlocked the office door from the outside and reentered his living quarters pulling the door behind him. The friend who occupies an adjacent room in the S&B Loans section informed of the unusual loud volume of the TV in his neighbor's room, but he was more concerned about the disturbance to the landlord who lives upstairs. The volume of the television remained high right up until the police entered the room on Thursday morning.

The predecessor friend arrived, as usual, at around 8



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o'clock on Thursday morning and began inquiring about Reyes, he reportedly knocked on the back door and when he got the unusual no response, he walked around the corner to a side bathroom window, pulled the curtain and with the bathroom door open, he got a clear view of the bedroom where he saw the body and the large blood stain on the bed. He rushed around to the front of the building and told the other friend what he saw. The other friend placed the 911 call to the police who arrived shortly thereafter.

The owner and managing director of SOSL, **Paul Garcia**, confirmed that the company's clientele was indeed on the decline in the area which he attributes to other factors and not necessarily to Reyes' performance. The suspected suicide note, which was certified in a written statement to the police by police corporal, **Samuel Bonilla**, younger brother of the deceased, to be in the decess's handwriting with which he is acquainted, rather vindicated Garcia's position as, at the risk of delving too deep in this rather personal message to his wife and son, indicated that he was sorry for what he had done and that he had gotten tired of the medication. He requested for his son to "**Take good care of your mother, my wife**". The note also informed that "**whoever finds this note give it to my wife**". It ended with the request to "**tell everyone I am sorry. I can't take it no more.**"

Love always (signed).

Thomas "Tom" Bert Reyes II, a resident of the Sabal Community in Dangriga is predeceased by his father **Thomas Sabal I**. He is survived by his mother **Sylvia Bregal** residing in Dangriga, three brothers Police Corporal **Samuel Bonilla** residing in Belize City; **Charles Castillo** (Dangriga) and **Norman Sabal** (New York). He is also survived by two sisters: **Sharlett Sabal** residing in New York and **Kimberly Belisle** residing in Dangriga. He is also survived by his wife **Jenice Martinez Reyes** and their son **Thomas Reyes III** a fourth form student at Delille Academy in Dangriga.

The body is slated to be transported on Friday, 9 December, from San Ignacio to the Karl Heusner Memorial Hospital in Belize City where the post mortem examination will be conducted by forensic specialist **Dr. Mario Estradabran** after which it will be transported to Dangriga for funeral and burial services. May his soul now rest in eternal peace.

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The National Lie: St. George Of Price

BY: Athenee Elrington

TREASON: *The offense of attempting by overt acts to overthrow the government of the state to which one owes allegiance...*

QUISLING: *A traitor who collaborates with the invaders of his country...PERJURY: The voluntary violation of an oath to tell the truth: false swearing...*

Believe this, there are people alive today who still worship the devilish Adolf Hitler! That is a straight-up fact. Most tyrants, despots, dictators and political mass murderers started out small, but used the very power loaned to them by the electorate to become the monsters that then preyed on that same electorate! When people look back at the way they voted, some say: “*I didn’t know..*” Then, there are the others who: Frankly did not care.

Active Participation; Culpability! When Ralph said that the mess that Belize is in was caused by the PUP he knew exactly what he was talking about and he was 100% right.

When my father led the discussions concerning the political points of the day on our verandah, he was very clear about

why he could NEVER support Price nor the PUP. He never wanted us to be ‘*uninformed.*’ We continue the discussions in Pa’s memory. I feel that this is the right time to share these truths with you:

1) Price was **sent** into politics by a millionaire capitalists who did NOT want to pay taxes: the relevance to today is that we have a billionaire who wants ALL the Belizeans’ money - and do NOT want to pay taxes. A PUP win would allow the billionaire to have his way with Belize. Different time, same motive!

2) Price failed to complete the prescribed course of study at seminary. Relevance: Smith explained that by the end of Price’s long reign, things worsened and corruption reached a critical mass; continued failure.

3) Price was expelled from the meeting in London after secret, unauthorized scheming with Granados. Relevance: Chiquibul, and indeed the whole border continues to be threatened by Granado’s countrymen.

4) Price sold out. His thirty pieces of silver was the promise of becoming the 1st President of a *proposed* Central American Federation. Relevance:

Sagastume’s crossing.

5) Price was totally against a West Indies Federation and he refused twice to give the land for the UWI campus at that University’s birth.

Relevance: Belize would now have a superb teaching, tertiary level hospital, I lay the blame of every one of the premature deaths on the shoulders of Price and his supporters.

6) Price would shamelessly run into the protected arms of the very ‘Colonial British’ that he claimed to be fighting against, whenever he wanted to save his skin or when it suited his selfish needs. Examples:

i) When Hector Silva and Santiago Perdomo, backed by Ydigoras “*Belize will be ours by right or might*” Fuentes wanted to push him aside.

ii) Whenever solders, warships and harriers were needed to come to the aid of Belizeans.

7) Price went from house to house and community to community to encourage Citizens to give *him* their allegiance - rather than the *COUNTRY*. He used the visits to encourage class and ethnic separation. Relevance: Today’s population is not as nationalistic and unified as it needs to be,

especially when faced with threats from outside. This is probably the most important point of this essay!

8) Price told Pollard that a British passport would be irrelevant because Belize would soon become a Department of Guatemala. Relevance: The totally unfunded claim is still being pushed by the enemies of our state.

9) Price had been receiving monthly cash contributions from the Guatemalans; specifically to turn the inhabitants of British Honduras against Britain *and* to lie about the Battle of St. George’s Caye. Tony M. alleged lover and bagman is living in San Fransico, give him a call! Relevance: Guatemala wants what it feels that it has bought from George C. Price - problem is; Price was wrong to put Belize on the selling block, because Belize was NEVER his to sell *and* the Battle is a real historical fact. Smith, Richardson, Jeffery, DePaz and Goldson turned away from him because of his ‘great love.’ Guatemala. DePaz did NOT approve of Guatemala indoctrinating young Belizean minds: Belize belongs to Belizeans; our destiny lies with us coming fully to grip with that fact; 100% ownership of our Jewel.

10) Price lied under oath during the Sharpe Inquiry (contact with

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Many Caribbean Countries Are Calling Early Elections And Belize Might Do The Same Soon

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Under the Constitution of most former British colonies, there is no fix date to call General Elections. It is the prerogative of the serving head of state to set the date for subsequent general elections.

In some former British colonies and Commonwealth countries, the head of state is not elected by direct election but rather by voting in a single constituency. With this type of arrangement, anybody who want to become Prime Minister or President must first be elected to the House of Representatives and must enjoy the support of the majority members in the House. In other words, that individual must be the leader of the winning party.

If this person win the leadership of the party and loses his or her seat in the General Election, that person cannot become Prime Minister or President but retain the party leader position until that person either resigns or is replaced by the party. The elected members of the party among themselves shall then decide who will be named Prime Minister or President.

In 1979 **Dean Lindo**, the then leader of the **United Democratic Party (UDP)** lost his seat in the Fort George Constituency to **Said Musa** of the **People's United Party (PUP)** resulting in the UDP appointing **Dr. Theodore Aranda** as the leader of the opposition.

Aranda later lost the party leadership to newcomer, Physics professor, **Manuel Esquivel**. Aranda then went on to form his own **Christian Democratic Party (CDP)** which was shortlived and never won any seat in any election in Belize. Aranda the joined the PUP and went on to win the Dangriga seat for the PUP in the 1989 general elections.

General elections were held in

December 1984 and, for the first time in Belize's political history the PUP was defeated by the UDP. Of the 28 seats in the House of Representative, at that time, the UDP caputred 21 while the PUP got only seven. The real upset in the 1984 general election was the defeat of PUP leader and veteran politician, **George Price** in the Freetown Constituency by **Derek Aikman**, a young politician, in his early 20's.

PUP leader, George Price was effectively left without a seat in the House resulting in the PUP appointment of **Florencio Marin** from Corozal Southeast as leader of the opposition in the House. Notwithstanding Marin's appointment, Price retained his position as leader of the PUP. Realizing that Freetown had shifted to the UDP, Price was moved to the PUP stronghold in Pickstock which at the time was controlled by his sister **Jane Usher** who was asked to step aside to make way for Price. Price went on to win the constituency in 1989 but by 1993, when he called early election, 16 months before it was constitutionally due, the margin of victory was significantly closed with the arrival of the formidable **Wilfred Sedi Elrington**, an attorney by procession, as the UDP candidate in Pickstock; This was when the PUP came to the realization that Price's days in politics coming to and end and so, in avoiding a repeat of the 1984 scenario, Price was forced to resigned in 1996 as the party was gearing up for the 1998 general elections.

In the wake of George Price's departure, Florencio Marin and Said Musa competed for the vacant position. Musa defeated Marin in a convention held on "neutral grounds" in Belmopan. The convention resulted in the isolation of Marin until he resigned in 2007annointing his son, **Florencio Jr**, to take over Corozal Southeast.

The George Price led PUP called early in 1993 proclaiming that "**Job Done**" giving the impression that they needed a new mandate because that had fulfilled all their manifesto promises. The UDP won by a slim 2 seat margin. Manuel Esquivel, who won his Caribbean Shores seat became the new Prime Minister of Belize for a second

time.

The UDP again served a single five year term in office and was defeated by the Said Musa led PUP in 1998. Musa went on to win two consecutive five year terms in office until his party, plagued by allegations of rampant corruption, was swept out of office by a 26 to five defeat by the UDP led **Dean Barrow** in February of 2008. Barrow who had served as Deputy in the 93-98 UDP administration became the new Prime Minister of Belize.

Since taking over the leadership of the UDP, Dean Barrow has been winning successive municipal and village council elections and in the process transforming his party into a political force to be reckoned with.

As 2011 draws to a close, the PUP remains severely fragmented. It is controlled by a few select families, business people, special interest groups and people of Arab descent. Grassroots Belizeans are not pleased with this arrangements. More native Belizean ethnic groups such as the Creoles, Garifunas, Latinos, East Indians, Mayas are openly supporting Dean Barrow and the UDP.

The attempt by the PUP to portray the UDP as an anti Hispanic party continues to failed miserably as Belizeans of all ethnic origins routinelyflock to UDP public events especially when called to do so by their respective area representative and their party leader.

The UDP have been enjoying resounding election victories since March of 2006 when they won 64 of the 67 municipal seats. This exact margin of victory was repeated in 2009 and could very well tripete in 2012.

The UDP went on to a landslide victory in February 2008 winning in 26 of the available 31 seats in the House . This massive victory was followed by the second landslide municipal victory, one year later, in 2009. The UDP has since been on a election victory roll and by all indications it looks like nothing is going to stop them now.

Most recently the PUP has been saying that they are ready for general elections because they have all thirty one candidates in place. Having candidates in place

and winning elections however are two different things.

The UDP can now call the general elections whenever they feel that the time is right.

A favorable outcome in the 7 March 2012 municipal elections, could very well prompt Prime Minister Barrow to call general elections shortly thereafter.

Elections were recently held in Guyana and the party in power lost the House of Parliament but retained the presidency.

In St. Lucia the UWP party that was in control, lost the House of Representatives and the St. Lucia Labor Party (SLP) headed by **Dr Kenny Anthony**, after about nine years in opposition, returned to power by winning nine out of fifteen seats in Parliament

Elections in Jamaican is scheduled for 29 December 2011. Jamaicans are ready to go to the polls with their JLP government and their new Prime Minister **Andrew Holness**.

The Government of Belize has successfully controlled gang violence in urban Belize City while working on a several economic initiatives to create jobs for Belizeans.

Roads and bridges are under construction. Several World Bank funded tourism projects are underway countrywide.

Government has since renationalized two public utilities much to the pleasure of the majority of Belzeans. The once onerous telephone rates have gone down by as much as 75%. Furthermore, Prime Minister Barrow recently announced that electricity rates will be reduced in the first months of the new year.

New schools are being built countrywide. Electricity will soon be extended to an additional twenty-nine villages

With all these projects on the agenda, it is clear that the UDP government is gearing up for elections. Before a Prime Minister calls early elections, he or she must first weigh the pros and cons of their chances of reelected first. With the current financial and fragmented state of the PUP, combined with their lack of a clear vision and direction, the UDP should so go ahead and take advantage of the prevailing challenging state of the PUP.

After two consecutived terms of being in opposition it is now time for the UDP to be given another term to continue cleaning up the messinherited from the mismanagement and outright corruption activities of the previous PUP administration.

Mercy's Kitchen Burglarized

SANTA ELENA, Cayo, Thursday, 8 December 2011:

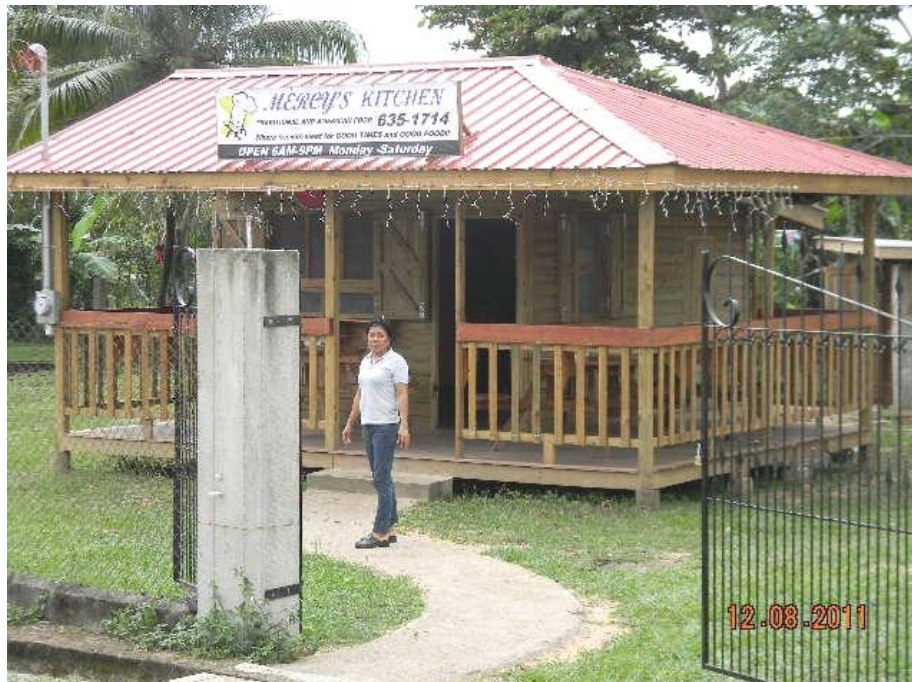
Unless a suspect is charged and the information is picked up by way of court news, the high incidents of crime in the community never make it to the news thereby producing the impression of the deliberate suppression of these reports. The police thereby creating a false sense of security within the community. The lack of information leaves the community vulnerable to become victims of these crimes whilst simultaneously falsely giving the impression that all is in order when in reality all is very, very far from being in order in terms of the protection of personal property.

There is an increasing number of crimes of dishonesty within the community homes are being invaded, a term which the police do not like to hear, business places, homes and cars are burglarized on a daily basis while the community is kept ignorant of these occurrences until the crime literally hits home.

The usual high number of burglaries continued this week, one that was brought to our attention, by the victim, was the Wednesday night incident at Mercy's Kitchen in our neighborhood on Andrews Street, Santa Elena.

The fast food business is rather new in the neighborhood having opened exactly one month ago. The owner, **Mercedes "Mercy" Del Carmen Cus** informed that she secured her place and left at around 9:30 pm on Wednesday, 7 December and that when she returned at around 6:30 on Thursday morning she found out that her place was broken into. Entry was gained by breaking the barriers off a wooden window and exit was gained by way of a back door.

Items stolen included a grey and



Mercy's Kitchen, Andrews Street, Santa Elena, Cayo

black Sony brand CD players along with its two speakers valued at \$450; a red and white cooler, valued at \$250, loaded with \$75 worth of beers and \$20 worth of soft drinks. Also

missing was a box of shrimp valued at \$70 and half sack of rice valued at \$48 all to a total value of \$913.

Mercedes believes that the incident could have occurred before 10:30 that night since one person informed that the lights attached to the front of the male and female bathrooms in the yard were off from as early as 10:30 that Wednesday night. The lights are normally left on all night and when checked it was noted that the bulbs were screwed slack. The same person informed of the presence of a male person sitting in the darkness under a large tree in the yard from as early as 8:30 that Wednesday night.

The police, we were told, are looking for one suspect as the investigation continues.



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TAURUS:

April 21 to May 21

Good things are happening to you all the time so don't think you aren't being lucky. Instead of preying on the negatives focus on the positives in your life this week. **Lucky numbers: 22, 35, 67.**

GEMINI:

May 22 to June 21

An old friend or your partner could voice their disappointment over the personal plans you are making but remember: you aren't responsible for their happiness. **Lucky numbers: 27, 33, 72.**

CANCER:

June 22 to July 23

If you're torn between two diverse choices, why not write down all the good points of each potential decision, then the bad? Weigh them up and it will be easier to make your mind up. **Lucky numbers: 07, 25, 36.**

LEO:

July 24 to August 21

Finding a parking space just in time to attend an important meeting or appointment is actually a stroke of good

fortune to be thankful for. A promotional offer works to your advantage **Lucky numbers: 18, 60, 86.**

VIRGO:

August 22 to September 21

An older person's advice is useful if you're in the process of setting a new project in motion. You may have to put your social life on the back burner for a while but this won't be a problem. **Lucky numbers: 12, 65, 78.**

LIBRA:

September 22 to October 23

Make sure you stick to your promises because if you don't, others will go elsewhere for what they want. No more excuses get your foot through the door before it slams in your

face! **Lucky numbers: 49, 84, 96.**

SCORPIO:

October 24 to November 21

Perseverance has always been your strong point and no matter how many mountains you have to climb or hurdles you might face, your determination to keep going will stand you in good stead. **Lucky numbers: 32, 44, 95.**

SAGITTARIUS:

November 22 to December 21

There is lot to be gained from adopting a share and share alike approach to both cash and material possessions. Your social life is about to soar to new heights. **Lucky numbers: 03, 52, 76.**

CAPRICORN:

December 22 to January 20

Limit your ambitions to a fairly

modest level and don't make too much of a fuss about presenting them to those who will have a say on whether or not your plans might go ahead. **Lucky numbers: 28, 50, 81.**

AQUARIUS:

January 21 to February 19

It isn't yet time to reveal your thoughts to everyone. You have some ambitious plans in mind and when the right time for promoting your future prospects arrives, you will know it. **Lucky numbers: 62, 77, 85.**

PISCES:

February 20 to March 21

Think about the choices you may or may not have made to improve your lifestyle or chances of success. Be assertive, take action and work on ways to make your own luck happen! **Lucky numbers: 21, 48, 55.**

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The first door he entered happened to be a large health club, and he asked the clerk if he might use the men's room.

The clerk said certainly and told Jose the men's room was the third door down the corridor on the left.

Now Jose, trying to appear sober, weaved his way down the hallway remembering some of the directions.

When he reached the third door, he turned RIGHT, opened the door and immediately fell into the deep end of a swimming pool.

The clerk, realizing Jose's mistake, ran down the hall and burst through the door, prepared to save him, and heard Jose shout, *"Don't flush, I'm in here!"*

Turning Lemon Into Lemonade

A man came into a shop with a 'Salesman Wanted' sign in a window.

He went up to the owner and said, *"I-I-I w-w-waannn-t the j-jooob-b."*

"I don't know if this job would suit you because of your speaking impediment," said the owner.

"I h-h-havvve a w-wi-wiiife and s-s-s-six k-kkkids, iiiii-I re-really neeeded thi-thi-this j-j-job!" said the man.

"O.K. Here are three Bibles. Go out and sell them." said the owner.

So the man went out and came back an hour later. *"H-here-sss your m-m-money."* said the man.

The owner was impressed, so he gave the man a dozen more Bibles and sent him out.

The man came back in two hours and said, *"Her-ers y-yooour m-m-money ag-gg--aaiin ss-iii-rrr."*

The owner said, *"This is fantastic. You sold more Bibles in three hours than anyone has sold in a week. Tell me, what do you say to the people when they come to the door?"*

"W-welllll," said the man, *"I r-r-ring the d-door bell, a-a-and s-s-say 'H-Hel-Hello, M-m-maaaaddam, d-d-do you w-w- want t-t-t-to buy thi-thi-this B-B-Bible, oooor d-d-do y-you w-w-want m'me t-toooo read it t-t-t-to you?"*

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Caye Caulker Restaurant Wins International Award

BY: Lizette Alamina



Rose's Grill and Bar, operating for the past 9 years has come a very long way in opening first as Rose's Cafe by **Eduardo Arceo**.

Serving the freshest seafood on the island and their succulent displays which draws visitors as well as locals as one of the most popular dining spots on the island of Caye Caulker, Rose's Grill and Bar has won an International Award and I must add a first of its kind for the entire country of Belize.

It makes me very proud to make this announcement and this is a much deserving award for Eduardo and his hard-working staff at Rose's Grill and Bar on Caye Caulker.

To give a brief overview of the award, I am happy to share the following information from the Trade Leaders' Club webpage:

From January 17-19, 2012, Madrid will be hosting the 37th Edition of the International Award for Tourist, Hotel and Catering Industry, a trophy created to recognize the prestige of companies and organizations working for Tourism and the hotel and catering trade, and as a means of stimulating the healthy imitation of those working in this sector, which is of vital importance for the development of respective countries.

This edition of the award ceremony will be attended by companies and top restaurateurs and tourism professionals over 40 countries around the world.

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recognition in their respective fields for their trajectory and business prestige. Including the trophy on your promotional campaigns and marketing will be a valuable tool and a solid backing for your future actions. The award ceremony traditionally takes place at the same time as the International Tourism Fair, which is one of the main meeting points for the tourist industry worldwide, and has the official participation of over a hundred countries and almost eight thousand direct and indirect exhibitors. Its presence in Madrid at this time is a unique opportunity to establish new commercial contacts.

Source: <http://www.tradeleadersclub.com/english/mtrade2.htm>

Eduardo will be traveling to Madrid, Spain on that week to receive his award as the proud proprietor of Rose's Grill and Bar. He strives for excellence in providing exceptional and professional service to his clients who come back again and



Meet the Staff from Rose's Grill & Bar in Caye Caulker

again for their share of fresh seafood. Below is a gallery of photos from Rose's Grill and Bar.

The Caye Caulker Chronicles would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Eduardo and the Rose's staff in this accomplishment which also being the first of its kind, gives a special recognition to the

entire country of Belize! Hats off to the hard-working Staff and keep up the exceptional work you have always done! Rose's Grill and Bar is opened daily serving lunch and dinner, except on Mondays. Feel free to check them out on your next visit to Caye Caulker, they are located on Calle al Sol (*next to Habanero's Restaurant*).



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Honduras Bans Motorcycle Passengers In Anti-Crime Move

The Honduran Congress has voted to ban motorcyclists from riding with passengers in a bid to curb a spate of drive-by killings.

The move follows two high-profile murders this week, both blamed on gunmen on motorbikes.

Congress also approved a wiretapping law proposed as part of efforts to tackle crime but which has raised privacy concerns.

Honduras has the world's highest murder rate: 82 per 100,000 people a year.

During a session held in private because of security fears, legislators approved a decree limiting the number of people allowed on a motorbike to just one.

The measure, which will last for six months, was requested by **President Porfirio Lobo**, whose government is facing rising crime.

"We know it is going to affect a certain part of the population," congressman



Honduran Police examining the shattered glass from Alfredo Landaverde's car door after he was killed in a motorcycle drive-by shooting

Erick Rodriguez was quoted as saying by El Heraldo newspaper.

But the country had to take steps against hired killers, he said.

Motorcycles have been used in several high-profile murders.

Journalist **Luz Marina Paz** and her driver were shot dead on Tuesday as they drove through the capital, Tegucigalpa.

The following day men on motorcycles killed former government security adviser Alfredo Landaverde in his car.

Honduras is a key transit country for cocaine smuggled from South America and on to the US market.

Increasing encroachment by Mexican drug cartels, as well as the presence of violent street gangs, have increased insecurity in the country.

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The police force itself is undergoing a purge amid efforts to root out officers with links to organised crime.

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SHC does well on June CXC 2011 Sitting

The Board of Governors of Sacred Heart College congratulates the 39 graduates who received Certificates of Excellence at the CXC Awards Ceremony on November 23, and the 57 graduates who earned Certificates of Achievement during this year's examinations.

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Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **SHAUN POPPER** is applying for a **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2012 to operate **THE EXECUTIVE RESTAURANT** located on Benque Viejo Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **FELIPE PAZ** is applying for a **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2012 to operate **LA PASADITA RESTAURANT & BAR** located on Buena Vista Village, in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **JERRY BILEWITH** is applying for a **NIGHT CLUB LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2012 to operate **CAPELLO'S BAR & GRILL** located on Buena Vista Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **GILBERTO GUERRA JR.** is applying for a **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2012 to operate **PICCADILLY BAR** located at #35 Church Street, Benque Viejo Town in the Cayo District.

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Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **CLARA CARRIAS** is applying for a **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2012 to operate **GUADALUPE'S BAR** located in Santa Familia Village in the Cayo District.

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Foreign Minister Wilfred Elrington Represents Belize In Merida Meeting



MÉRIDA, Yucatán, Mexico, 5 December 2011:

The Thirteenth Summit of Heads of State and Government of the Tuxtla Mechanism for Dialogue and Coordination in Mérida, Yucatán ended today.

The Summit was attended by the presidents of Guatemala, **Álvaro Colom**; Honduras, **Porfirio Lobo**; Mexico, **Felipe Calderón**; Nicaragua, **Daniel Ortega**; Panama, **Ricardo Martinelli**; Dominican Republic, **Leonel Fernández**; and First Vice-President of Costa Rica, **Alfio Piva** and the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Belize, **Wilfred Elrington**; Colombia, **María Ángela Holguín**; and El Salvador, **Hugo Martínez**. On this occasion, President of Chile **Sebastián Piñera** also attended in his capacity as Special Guest.

The leaders attended a productive working meeting, during which they examined key issues for the region. They confirmed their commitment to the Tuxtla Mechanism twenty years after its inception; the Mechanism has been consolidated as the main Mesoamerican forum of agreement, political dialogue and cooperation.

They reviewed advancements

in the Mesoamerican Integration and Development Project in specific areas such as: highway infrastructure; electric interconnection and telecommunications; the Mesoamerican System of Territorial Information and the Mesoamerican Public Health System.

They agreed to create a Management Unit to implement the Pacific Corridor and announced the operation of the Mesoamerican Procedure for International Goods Transport (TIM), involving the installation of computer systems and standardized procedures to speed up customs, migratory and health procedures.

Mexico confirmed its commitment to continuing to work to strengthen the Mexico-Central American interconnection to implement the Electric and Telecommunications Interconnection in Mesoamerica, which will benefit the region through more competitive prices and reduce the digital gap.

In the sphere of cooperation, Mexico announced the establishment of the new Financial Cooperation Strategy for Mesoamerican and Caribbean Countries (Yucatán Agreement),

designed to contribute to the economic, social and institutional development of both regions through the financing of infrastructure programs and projects, technical assistance and trade in goods and services linked to infrastructure.

Within the framework of the Summit, negotiations were undertaken to implement four cooperation instruments: developing the institutional capacities of Mesoamerican governments for the monitoring and evaluation of the fulfillment of the Millennium Development Goals (MDG); two projects for civil protection and the development of financing schemes for dealing with emergencies and a Protocol to boost development in the region through the Mesoamerican Cooperation Program.

In their Political Dialogue, the presidents and top government officials discussed key issues for the Mesoamerican region, such as the strengthening of democratic institutions, regional security and migration. The heads of state and government of the Tuxtla Mechanism and the Chilean president issued a Joint Statement on Organized Crime and Drug Trafficking, in which

they expressed their conviction that user nations should adopt more effective, drastic measures to track and cut off the money flows resulting from illegal activities. They stressed the need to reduce demand and to fight illegal arms dealing.

The leaders also agreed to continue supporting the Central American Security Strategy, its Action Plan and the regional projects designed by member countries of the Central American Integration System (SICA).

In regards to migration, members of the Tuxtla Mechanism will continue supporting efforts to deal with the challenges raised by this phenomenon and confirmed the agreements reached at the Ministerial Meeting on Transnational Organized Crime and Migrant Security held in Mexico in October 2010.

The leaders and top government officials engaged in an Interactive Dialogue with CEOs from the region on the opportunities created by the Single Free Trade Agreement between Mexico and Central America, signed on 22 November. The presidents signed a declaration highlighting the importance of the passage of this Agreement.

The Tuxtla Summit was also attended by the governors of Mexican states of Puebla, **Rafael Moreno** Yucatán, **Ivonne Ortega** and Campeche, **Fernando Ortega**, as well as legislators from various political parties and representatives of international and regional organizations, including the President of the Inter-American Development Bank, **Luis Alberto Moreno**.

The presidents and top government officials issued a declaration containing the main agreements reached at the Thirteenth Tuxtla Summit.

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Traffic Accident Claims The Life Of Popular Belmopan Engineer

WESTERN HIGHWAY, Tuesday, 6 December 2011:

A fatal traffic accident between miles 28 and 29 on the Western Highway today claimed the life of Wayne Williams, 45, a popular engineer residing in Belmopan.

The accident happened at around 5:50 pm when Williams was heading from work in Belize City to his home in Belmopan.

He was driving his white pickup when he ran into a passenger bus heading in the opposite direction as he tried to avoid colliding into the back of a water truck parked in his lane.

While the driver of the bus tried to make way for Williams'



Wayne Williams, 45

approaching vehicle by shifting off the road, the accident could not be avoided as the pickup made

contact with the right side of the passenger bus resulting in the pickup, with Williams inside, flipping several times.

The family, obviously shaken by the sudden and tragic loss of a love one are making arrangements to lay

the body to rest.

At the time of his passing, Wayne was working as the Executive Director of the Central Building Authority in Belize City.

Our sympathies goes out to the family.

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The National Lie: St. George Of Price

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the enemy of Belize was established) to save his cowardly neck. **Perjury!** Relevance: The PUP continues to use LIES to steal from the Citizens of Belize. Drugs, Guns, Violence, Corruption, Lies, Greed, Stealing, Human Trafficking, Prostitution, Contact, Treason, Sedition, Sell-Out. A Criminal Gang that strayed into politics and they have surely put a severe hurt on Belize.

11) Price encouraged violence to get his way. His behavior affected others adversely. Silky, Cain, Lightburn, Smiling, marshals.... were encouraged to harm Belizean Citizens. Stoning, gunshots, arson....Relevance: One of the biggest problem the once peaceful Belize is now fighting is a massive crime/violence problem.

12) Price ALWAYS placed himself, his family and his party well above the interest of Belize and Belizeans. Relevance: Belizeans are worst off now than when he

entered politics 60 years ago; expected, since he went in to look after the interest of a scrooge.....Shameful and Wrong! Price was no nationalist! NO.

13) The very ones that voted BLUE called us many things and many names; that's OK! The one thing that they avoided calling us was nationalists/patriots, yet we remain on guard for Belize. Relevance: The Anti-Price Coalition's purpose to keep Belize out of the jaws of Guatemala continues....

14) Price could not turn Belize over to Guatemala despite the vast sums of *Quetzales* that was paid to him but he *was* able to turn Belize over to Ralph and Said - and we all know just how terrible that was and continues to be.... Ralph and Said bought him out with the undeserved/made-up/false titles: "Father of the Nation" "National Hero" Relevance: Price ALWAYS sells out; his life long silence was a testament to his fear of facing the gallows; some of

us always knew of his dastardly deeds! We did not need smith's book to tell us! Let the ones who voted BLUE read that!

I have offered you a taste of the material we discussed. I now say that the sneaky push for sainthood is a sinister move by *those* who facilitated Price to feel good about *their* actions.

They did wrong by supporting him and the knowledge of *their* massive unpatriotic error brings *them* severe mental pain. To escape, *they* must justify *their* deeds. *Their* plan for relief is to make Price a hero and a saint; impossible! *They* know that he is neither! I strongly advise *them* to look at mythology for a way out....

Permit me to publish my Christmas wish! I would like two (2) copies each of the Smith and Pollard books. I would ask the writers to sign them with the following memo: "**Mr Goldson, Mr. Elrington you didn't lie.**" I myself would write: "**Price Lied!**" and then I would march, with the full band to Lord's Ridge

Cemetery, with the band playing ONLY Belizean patriotic music. I would have the books in my left hand and a spade in my right hand. I would dig shallow holes at Goldson's and Pa's graves and place a copy of each of the books in the respective holes. As I cover the holes I would say: "Respect for standing truthful!"

Richardson should similarly be so honored!! Belizean Patriots vindicated!!

In closing I want to warn that if at the end of the reading, you come to the conclusion that this article is about Price, then you have misunderstood me completely. Despite the many appearances of that name; the focus is on *those individuals* who allowed him to mess-up Belize.

This article is a gentle warning to the voters to be very careful - do not vote against your interest and against the country. I am really begging you NEVER to vote PUP; that would put the country in grave peril. **I NEVER VOTED BLUE, NOW YOU KNOW WHY!**



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Climate Talks Set For 2020 Goal

BY: Richard Black
Environment correspondent,
BBC News, Durban

Protesters say the talks are not doing enough to prevent dangerous climate change

Nations seeking a strong climate change deal at the UN talks received a rebuff as draft texts proposed future emission cuts kicking in after 2020.

The EU and many countries vulnerable to climate impacts say that is too late to prevent major consequences, and cuts should start well before.

They also want to ensure that future deal would be legally binding on all.

But the draft texts written by chairs of overnight talks, seen by BBC News, do not specify a binding outcome.

This year's talks in South Africa are not intended to produce a new binding agreement.

But the EU and its allies from the Alliance of Small Island States (Aosis) and the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) are seeking a firm roadmap towards such an agreement, and soon.

Aosis delegates are not happy with the drafts.

They, and the EU, have pledged they will not make an agreement here that is not consistent with the scientific picture.

"If there is no further movement, then I must say I don't think there will be a deal in Durban," said EU climate commissioner **Connie Hedegaard**.

Action that helps cope with the effects of climate change - for example construction of barriers to protect against rising sea levels, or conversion to crops capable of surviving high temperatures and drought.

The drafts broadly reflect the priorities of the BASIC

group - Brazil, the South African hosts, India and China - and the United States.

They envisage some developed countries - the EU, and probably others - pledging further emission cuts within the Kyoto Protocol, without making those pledges binding as yet under the protocol.

One seasoned observer of the UN process said the proposals "buy 10 years' delay in action for the US, China, India and Brazil, and risk making the most vulnerable countries 'road kill' on the big emitters' highway to the future."

Detailed reactions from delegations are awaited.

The main lobby of the conference centre in Durban, South Africa, saw a long demonstration on the final afternoon, with campaigners demanding progress.

"Listen to the people, not the polluters," they chanted.

The last of the demonstrators was led away about an hour and

a half later.

Christiana Figueres, executive secretary of the UN climate convention (UNFCCC), said that whatever governments

decide here will not be enough to bridge the gap between the emission cuts governments have pledged, and the cuts necessary to keep the global average temperature rise below 2C from pre-industrial times.

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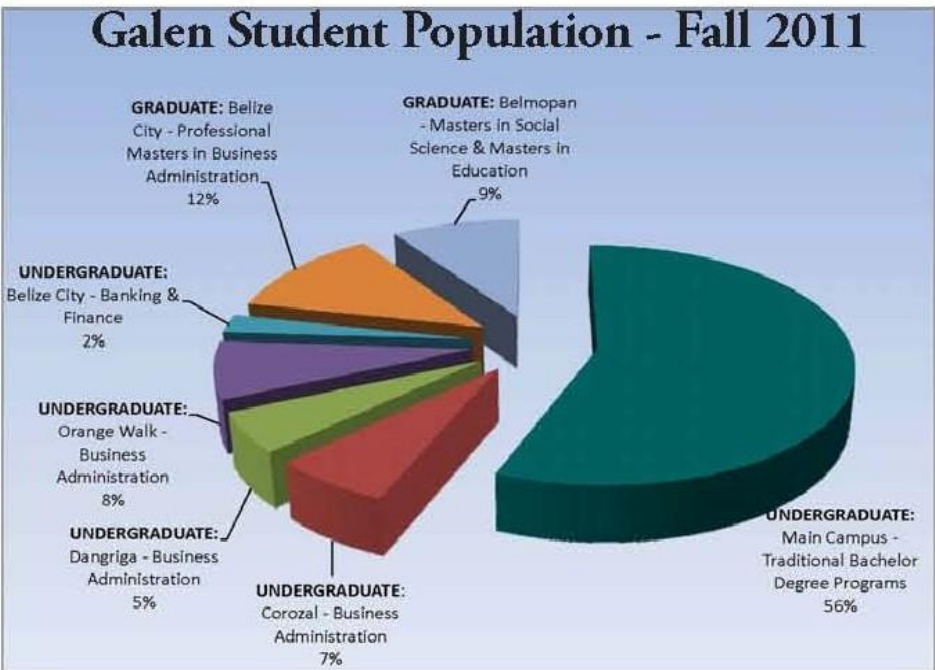
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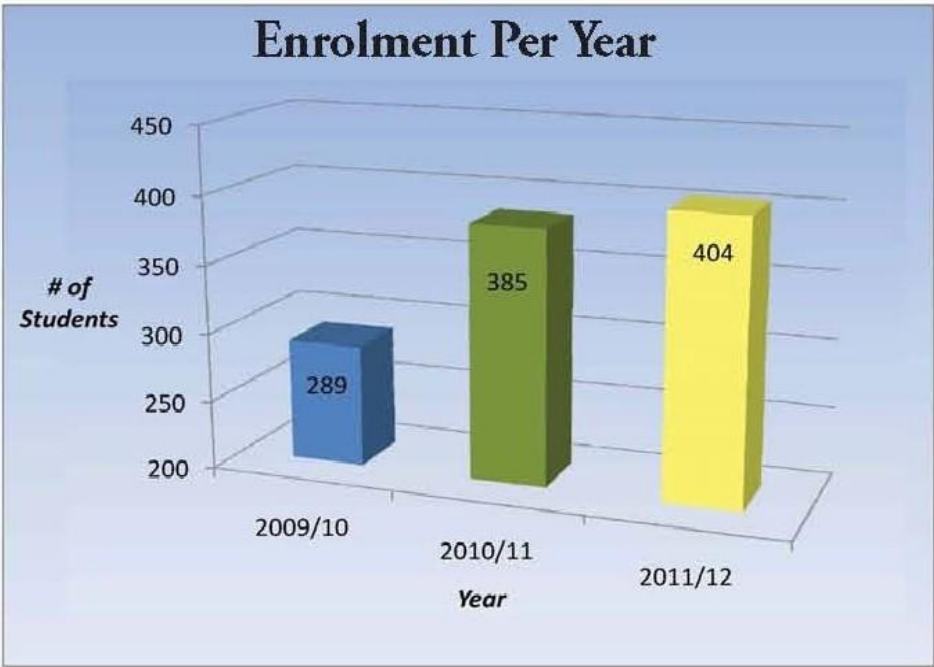


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Community And Police Interacting

BENQUE VIEJO TOWN, Cayo, Tuesday, 6 December, 2011:

BY: Sam Bruce

Between the hours of 7:00 pm and 9:30 pm today, the Domestic Violence and Community Policing Unit of the Belize Police Department Benque Viejo Sub-formation held a night of Edu-tainment at the Marshalleck Cancha in Benque Viejo Town. The activity was held in support of the seventh annual campaign of 16 days of Activism Against Gender Based

Violence which is being held from 25 November to 10 December 2011.

The following groups participated: The newly formed Police Drama Group, The united churches of Benque including Assembly of God as well as . primary schools and the Mopan High School, the House Of Culture, Benque Women's Group, Poet Hamner Bush and the Benque Viejo Cadets.

Guest speaker for the occasion was councilwoman **Mrs. Anamelita Castellanos.**



MC's Inspector Dinsdale Thompson, and PC Joshua McKoy



Chanto Laid To Eternal Rest

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passes away quietly at around 5 o'clock on Monday, 5 December. In keeping with his request for a quick burial he was laid to rest on the following day.

The mass of the resurrection for the life to **Melhem Antonio "Chanto" Awe**, 57, was held at the Sacred Heart Church in San Ignacio. He was laid to rest inside the Santa Rita Cemetery also in San Ignacio.

Chanto is survived by his wife, **Olga Guzman Awe** residing in Chicago, USA. He is also survived by four sons: **Melhem**

Jr., Antonio and Kevin Awe as well as by **Jose Luis Clark** and one daughter **Shamira Awe** all residing in Cayo.

He is also survived by brothers: **Lloyd and Amir "Mitch" Awe** both of San Ignacio. Lloyd himself a retired taxi driver and Mitch still going strong behind the wheel of his taxi cab.

Chanto is also survived by sisters: **Shirley Awe** and **Miriam Awe Parker** both residing in England; **Majiba Awe Tajer** and **Elenita Awe Urizer** residing in Guatemala,

The event was jointly MC'ed by **Inspector Dinsdale Thompson**, and **PC Joshua McKoy**

Community attendance was outstanding as over 400 hundred persons attended the event. Also

The Case Of The Sleeping Policeman

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walked out of the station armed with the stolen gun, a 9 millimeter, Smith & Wesson brand pistol bearing serial number **ARK4703** along with a magazine containing 10 live rounds of ammunition, being the property of Anchor Security Service.

As a routine security arrangement, firearms, used by private security firms, are left daily in safekeeping at the police station in San Ignacio where they are signed in and out by employees of these private security companies.

The incident came to light when the Anchor Security Guard arrived at the station later that Monday morning to sign out the gun and to begin his tour of duty. The gun was absent from its usual place in the police locker at the diarist desk and so the obvious thing was done, recording from the internal surveillance camera was played backwards from the time the gun was noted as missing. The footage revealed that between 4:20 and 4:36 that Monday

in attendance, supporting the effort, was the **Officer in Charge of Benque Viejo Police, Sr. Supt. Ralph Moody**, **Inspector Jesus Palma**, and Special Constable **Samuel Bruce.**

morning the soldier, in civilian attire, arrived, hang around for a few minutes, the police diarist fell asleep, the soldier stole the gun and walked out of the police station.

The investigation led police to the Belize Defense Force Headquarters at Price Barracks in Ladyville where the accused, **Adrian Gregory Francis**, attached to Echo Company, handed over the stolen gun to his Commanding Officer, **Captain Ian Cuna.**

The gun, bullets and the accused were eventually handed over to the police and transported to the head station in San Ignacio where he was formally arrested and charged for the crimes of a) theft, b) possession of unlicensed firearm and c) possession of unlicensed ammunition.

He appeared before Magistrate **Linsbert Willis** on Thursday, 8 December where he pleaded not guilty to the charge. He was remanded to the central prison in Hattievile and is to reappear in court on Tuesday, 31 January 2012.

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