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## Two Robbers Killed In The Act

**SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo,  
Wednesday, July 3, 2013:**

Several gunshots erupted into the silence of the night shortly before nine o'clock on Saturday, June 29, after which, two heavily clothed men lay dead at the entrance of a Chinese store in Santa Elena, Cayo.

They came armed and with intention to rob Anna's Supermarket located across from the Ministry of Works compound in Santa Elena, Cayo. They were both killed on the spot without even entering the store.

Three men were engaged in the plot to rob the Chinese store when the cash drawer was at its fullest and vulnerable, a few minutes before the shutters were pulled down at 9:00 pm to commence the "selling through the hole" process.

The first armed robber, gun drawn, moved up to the security guard who was standing on the left side of the entrance to the store. He reportedly ordered the guard to hand over the service handgun he carried.

When the guard refused the robber



**Aaron Hoil, 24**

reportedly fired a single shot which caught the guard in the left arm. The



**Isvi Hoil, 20**

injured guard responded by first

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## Five Years Later Accused Murderers Of The Hill Couple Walk Free



**Michael Lamb, 22**

**SANTA ELENA TOWN, Cayo  
District, Friday, July 11, 2008:**

Exactly two days short of the 5th anniversary of the July 5, 2008 gruesome murder of US nationals, husband and wife, **Michael** and **Donna Hill**, the two accused



**Jodean Vidal, 20**

murderers today, July 3, 2013 walked free out of the Belmopan supreme courtroom of His Worship the Hon. Justice Hanamansingh.

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**Donna Hill, 55**

when cautioned statements from both accused persons were declared inadmissible in court after the defense attorney successfully convinced the court that the statements were provided to the police under duress, aka beaten out of them.

The double murder charge against the two accused, **Jodean "Dean" Vidal**, 15, at the time (now 20), of a Santa Cruz Area address and **Michael Lamb**, 17 at the time (now 22), of a #18 Cristo Rey Road address both in Santa Elena, Cayo, stems from the July 5, 2008 murder of Michael and Donna Hill on their property located between the villages of Cristo Rey and San Antonio in the Cayo District.

The report we published at the time of the incident is as follows:

The community was still grappling with news of the July 3, 2008 double murder of the Xis father and son on the Calla Creek Road in the Cayo District when, three days later, on Sunday, July 6, reports began emerging of yet another double murder This time of a husband and wife residing on the outskirts of Cristo Rey Village in the Cayo District.

Acting upon information received at around 9:45 am., on Sunday, July 6, 2008, San Ignacio police visited a

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**Michael Hill, 59**

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firing two shots at the first robber both of which found target in the chin and neck of the robber dressed in red. He fell dead to the ground.

The second robber, armed with a weapon too large to be called a knife and too small to be called a machete, then advanced toward the guard. He was cut down with a single bullet to the forehead.

The third attacker, armed with a machete, who was a few seconds behind the two accomplices, moved to the guard standing with the two dead men at his feet, realizing that he was out of ammunition, the injured guard ran off with the third robber in hot pursuit. The robber later abandoned the chase and a nurse passing in a taxi requested of the driver to stop. The injured guard boarded the cab and was transported to the San Ignacio Community Hospital.

It is believed that if the guard had just one more bullet in the gun, all three robbers would have been killed.

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the pieces and after processing the scene for about 90 minutes the dead men were loaded into the back of the police vehicle and transported to the morgue at the San Ignacio Hospital and so, disgracefully ended the lives of two criminals identified as cousins **Isvi Samuel "Plastic" Hoil**, 20 and **Aaron Joel Hoil**, 24, both Belizean laborers who resided on Avella Street in Santa Elena Cayo.

The Hoil cousins are no strangers to police as they have had several run-ins with the law. The post mortem examination revealed that they both died from brain hemorrhage due to gunshot wound to the head.

While they might have perished together, they were buried separately following individual funeral services on Wednesday, July 3, 2013. They were buried inside the Carmen Memorial Cemetery in Santa Elena.

The security guard, whose name we are refraining from publishing, was first transported to the Community Hospital in San Ignacio and later transported to the Karl Heusner Memorial Hospital in Belize City for specialist treatment where he remains

under police guard.

Up to press time this Thursday night, the third, lucky-to-be-alive, robber remains at large as police continues searching for him.

While a police investigation is underway, it is widely believed that the guard's actions were justified and in some quarters he is being hailed a hero.

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## Four Lives Lost In Tragic Accident On The George Price Highway

**SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo, Tuesday, July 2, 2013:**

Four lives were lost in a tragic traffic accident that occurred shortly after 10:30 on the morning of Tuesday, July 2, 2013 on the bridge near Floral Park, at mile 60, on the George Price Highway.



**Eliseo Chan, 64**



**Angela Bugeja, 23**

The deceased persons were identified as foreign exchange students, **Angela Bugeja**, 23, Maltese national; **Molly Hude**, 24, American national and Greek national **Ioanna Thomompaulou** and Belizean taxi driver **Eliseo Chan**, 64.

Upon arrival at the scene police encountered a white Toyota Corolla car with San Ignacio taxi license plates D 00174 SE, outside of its lane, with its front portion extensively damaged

rammed under the front of a Westline bus with license plate SI D 00242.

The driver and two of the girls died on impact while the third passenger, still breathing, was removed from the car and rushed to the Western Regional Hospital where, despite the best efforts of a team of doctors, she passed away about an hour after

arrival.

The driver of the West Line bus, in a statement to the police, informed that as he was entering the bridge he saw a small white car in his lane coming towards him at high speed. He said that the car swerved back into the correct lane but in a split second it returned directly into the bus lane and

slammed head on into the front of the bus.

The bus driver informed that he made every attempt at trying to dodge the car by scraping along the rail of the bridge and in the process endangering the lives of his passengers. When the bus came to a stop, passengers could not exit through the door due its proximity with the bridge rail forcing some of them to exit through windows on the driver's side of the bus.

While bus passengers were spared

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## Queen v. Michael Lamb and Jodean Vidal

**Cheryl-Lynn Vidal**

**Director of Public Prosecutions**

On the morning of the 6th of July 2008 the bodies of **Michael** and **Donna Hill** were found in bushes close to their home in Cristo Rey Village in the Cayo District. They had both sustained shotgun injuries to their head which would have been inflicted at close range. One of their vehicles, their lap top computers and other personal items and money had been stolen.

During the course of their investigation into the death of the Hills, police detained **Jodean Vidal (NO RELATION)** and **Michael Lamb**. When interviewed by police in the presence of his mother, according to the police, Lamb confessed to going to the Hill's residence along with Vidal, waiting for the Hills, tying them up, taking them into the bushes and shooting them. He took police to the place where the stolen vehicle had been hidden, for the keys that he had left at his mother's house, and for other items that had been taken from the Hill's residence. He also pointed out to police a car that Jodean Vidal had purchased with money taken from the Hills. After the statement that he made was shown to Vidal, police say that he also admitted that he had gone to the house and tied up the Hills and that they later shot one each. He took police to retrieve the Hill's firearm that had been stolen (**and used in the killing**) and told them where they could have recovered the lap top computers.

The case against Hill and Vidal commenced on the 24th of June before Honourable Justice Denis Hanomansingh in the Supreme Court sitting in Belmopan. I appeared on behalf of the Crown. **Hubert Elrington SC** and **Arthur Saldivar** appeared on behalf of Lamb and **Simeon Sampson SC** appeared on behalf of Vidal. Since the confessions of the accused were the only evidence against them, the trial began with voir dire to determine their admissibility. Those voir dire concluded yesterday.

This morning the trial judge ruled all the confessions inadmissible. He was of the view that the officers involved in the investigation had deprived Lamb, aged 17 at the time, of his constitutional rights, as the officer who first interviewed him did not fully explain those rights to him and did not

allow him to speak in private with his mother. in relation to Vidal, he was of the view that his claim to have been brutalized by the police was somewhat substantiated by the description of events given by the police officers themselves. The judge said that he also had concerns about the techniques used by the police during the course of the investigation, particularly in light of the fact that Vidal was only 15 years of age at the time. Police claimed that he had

refused to have his mother present and while alone with a sergeant, had decided to admit to the crime.

Since the only evidence against them were the confessions, the judge later directed the jury to return formal verdicts of not guilty and discharged both accused.

Vidal was not allowed to leave as he is currently serving an 8 year sentence for Use of deadly means of harm with intent to cause grievous harm for an incident in September of

2007 when he assaulted a female with a two by four piece of lumber. He was on bail for that offence when the Hills were murdered. He plead guilty to that offence when it came up for trial in June of 2009. It is my understanding that he is now eligible for parole and has already applied for same.

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# CDB's Basic Needs Trust Fund invests \$19.1 Million for poverty alleviation in Belize

From north to south and east to west of Belize, the Social Investment Fund (S.I.F.) and the Caribbean Development Bank's (C.D.B) Basic Needs Trust Fund (B.N.T.F) continue to implement projects aimed at addressing the basic needs of poor Belizeans. The Government of Belize also provides counterpart funding for projects implemented under the BNTF.

The BNTF Program is a regional grant program financed by the C.D.B for poverty reduction infrastructure and livelihood enhancement services. The program has disbursed over \$189 million U.S. dollars throughout the region. Ten counties, including Belize, benefit from the current, sixth cycle of finding known as BNTF6. In Belize, the BNTF6 is expected to be completed by the end of this year with 22 projects valued at \$6.6 million dollars. The program continues to contribute to the national development of Belize through the provision of social infrastructure, including resource centres, schools, health clinics and access to water, sanitation, drainage and roads.

Since January of this year, SIF. completed 9 major projects valued at \$4.6 million dollars under the BNTF while many other projects financed under the SIF 2 loan are nearing completion.

In the area of water and sanitation, water systems have been upgraded in Bella Vista in the Toledo District and Young Bank Village in the Cayo District. Under this sector, a new water tank and pump house is under construction in Santa Familia Village in the western part of Belize.

Meanwhile water expansion is underway in St Mathews and Franks Eddy and Corozalito in the Cayo District The water system for Corozalito, a small community in the outskirts of Succotz Village also in the Cayo District, should become operational in the coming weeks. The water supply is also being expanded in Chan Pine Ridge village in the Orange Walk District The plan is to connect the village to BWSL's main distribution network in Orange Walk Town.



New Santa Familia Village 20,000 gallon tank under construction

In the area of Education, a new building was completed at St Edmund Campion RC School in Teakettle village the Cayo Distnct. Further south, the school was rehabilitated and expanded in Silk Grass in the Stann Creek District.

In addition a new building is currently under construction at the All Saints Primary School in



Renovated Silk Grass Methodist School, Stann Creek District

Belize City. and a new eight classroom building is nearing completion at the Orange Walk Technical High School in the northern part of the country.

In the area of Economic Infrastructure, the third phase of a \$3.0 million drainage project in Trial Farm Village was completed. This project has brought an enormous peace of mind to the residents of Trial Farm since prior to the project they had to constantly evacuate their homes as a result of flooding during the rainy season. A similar project drainage project is also underway in the Buttonwood Bay area of Belize City. Buttonwood Bay is a relatively new area located near the second roundabout in Belize City. The project area has a high demand for proper drainage since it is below sea level and is subject to flooding during the rainy or hurricane season.

In the area of Social Services, new multipurpose centres were completed in



From top to bottom: Drainage project under construction in Buttonwood Bay. Residents of Golden Haven enjoying the comfort of their new home. BNTF scholarship recipients enrolled at Y.E.S

San Jose and Guinea Grass villages in the Orange Walk District while the residents of the Golden Haven Home of the Elderly in Hattieville Village now enjoy the comfort of their new home. A new mental health day care centre was also completed in Belize City.

In the area of skills training, 10 students of low income families are completing their education at the Youth Enhancement Services in Ladyville while other students are pursuing a vocational career in various vocational institutions throughout Belize.

As the BNTF 6 project steams full speed ahead towards completion, the BNTF7 has already been launched. Under this program \$12.5 million dollars will be available for projects in the areas of Education, Water and Sanitation and Road Access and drainage. This figure represents an increase of 74% in CDB funding under BNTF for Belize. This means more funds for the poor areas of the country, with the poorest areas receiving the most attention. Implementation of projects under BNTF7 will start by the end of this year. All these projects represent the Government's and the Social Investment Fund's strong commitment to alleviate poverty in Belize with the assistance of our development partners such as the Caribbean Development Bank.



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ISMAEL CHAVEZ	Parcel No. 3270, Block No. 23, situated in the Trapiche Housing Area, Santa Elena/Cayo Registration Section, held under a Land Certificate, being the Freehold property of <b>ISMAEL CHAVEZ</b>	A 2-bedroom, 1-bathroom concrete bungalow house (22'X24'). Site Size: 501.270 s.y.	
RAMON ROSADO	Parcel No. 96 (1.509 Acres), Block No. 23, Esperanza Village Registration Section, situate in the Esperanza Village, Cayo District, held under a Land Certificate, being the Freehold property of Emelda Rosado Surety for <b>Ramon Reinaldo Rosado.</b>	House #1 (402.83 sq. ft.) is wooden w/ 2-bedrooms and 1-living/dining room. House #2 (518.67 sq. ft.) is an elevated wooden w/ 3-bedrooms, 1-kitchen, and 1-living/dining room. House #3 (781 sq. ft.) is concrete bungalow w/ 1-kitchen, 1-living/dining room, and 1 verandah and laundry area. House #4 (432 sq.ft.) is an incomplete concrete bungalow building.	
SHANEE MONIQUE GARDINER	All that piece or parcel of land being Lot No. 161 containing 975.576 s.m. of land situate in Cotton Tree Village, Cayo District, held under Minister's Fiat Grant No.127 of 2011, being the freehold property of <b>Shanne Monique Gardiner.</b>	1-3 bedroom wooden elevated bungalow house containing 1-living, dining and kitchen area combined, and 1-bathroom with entry porch. Measuring: 60' X 85' approx. Size: 1166.79 Sy.	
FRANCINE LORETTA SMITH	Parcel 5904, Block 20, Belmopan Registration Section, held under a Land Certificate, being the freehold property of Francine Loretta Smith.	1-3 bedroom concrete bungalow w/ 1-living and dining room, 1-kitchen, 1- laundry, and 2-bathrooms & an entry porch. Size: 1136.79 Sy. The property is situated on Kumquat Street, Cohune Walk, City of Belmopan.	

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# Ministry of Health

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## Ministry of Health and European Union launch maternal and neonatal project

The Ministry of Health with the European Union (EU) and the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) was pleased to announce the launch of a maternal and neonatal service project that will benefit all mothers and infants utilizing maternal services in hospitals across the Belize.

The project aims at improving the monitoring and evaluation of established prenatal and neonatal services including the provision of medical equipment, strengthening of infection control plans and the development of procedure manuals for prenatal care and neonatal care. Training will be provided by PAHO to improve biomedical techni-



cians and emergency response team for at risk or ill neonates. The Minister of Health, Hon. **Pablo Marin** welcomes the partnership in this project because it will not only benefit mothers and newborns attending these services but also health professionals that provide care to mother and babies born or admitted to neonatal care units in hospitals.

## Belize hosts regional meeting on Alcohol

Belize was host to the sub-regional meeting on Alcohol Policy for English speaking countries of the Caribbean held from 25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2013. The meeting was held to support the development of an Alcohol Policy for the Caribbean. Objectives were to present and discuss current progress made, challenges and opportunities for the development of an Alcohol Policy, to discuss ways to develop a policy that can be culturally adaptable in the Caribbean context, to integrate the policy in the National



Non-communicable Disease policy and to discuss how to effectively implement the policy. Esner Vellos, Director of National Drug Abuse Control Council mentioned that the Belize draft policy will encompass many aspects including the Liquor Licensing Act and the incorporation of the Breathalyzer into regular use. The overall objective, according to Mr. Vellos is to reduce the abuse of Alcohol in Belize. Belize and three other Caribbean countries currently have the framework of a Draft National Alcohol Policy.



## Belize and Mexico discuss benefits in health

The Minister of Health, Hon. Pablo Marin and CEO, Dr. Peter Allen met with officials from the Secretario de Salud de Quintana Roo, Mexico last month to negotiate access to



oncology services and also to discuss the progress of other service oriented agreements. Discussion included developing a Memorandum of Understanding to have Belizean Paediatric Cancer patients access medical specialist attention in Chetumal. Belizean women who require Mammograms would also be able to access services at Chetumal Diagnostic Center at the same price as Mexicans and it was

agreed that the present program where pap smear slides are taken to Mexico for processing will continue. Agreements also included co-operation and training opportunities for biomedical technicians in Belize. Minister Marin and CEO, Dr. Allen visited with the patients admitted at both the Cancer unit and General Admission at Hospital General before returning to Belize.

## HIV Testing Day

Belize for the second year observed Regional HIV Testing Day on June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 across the country. The Ministry of Health collaborated with Scotiabank and the Belize Chamber of



Commerce and Industry. Promoting HIV Testing Day raises awareness about the important issue of knowing ones HIV status. HIV testing and counselling programs provide an opportunity for HIV negative persons to receive support and counselling to stay negative and for the infected person; it is a source to refer them to treatment and care programs.

Statistics show that for the year 2012, there were 249 new HIV infections showing that more men than women are infected. The new situation, according to the HIV Coordinator, Dr. Marvin Manzanero, HIV

Coordinator, highlights the need for strategic and targeted interventions to reduce the transmission of HIV and increase access to care and treatment.

Testing sites included the Scotiabank Parking Lot in Belize City and Belmopan. Orange Walk, San Ignacio and Dangriga also had testing booths in those towns. The total number of tests conducted was 1, 038 HIV Rapid Tests.

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# Underdogs Seek To Spoil Party

The six remaining sides – and perhaps even the Canadians – must apply themselves earnestly to secure one

The decision by Mexico and the United States to leave their best players at home for the Gold Cup leaves the door open for an unexpected contender to supplant the CONCACAF heavyweights at the top of the region. It is not an opportunity those aspiring nations can afford to squander.

Interlopers generally possess a poor record in this competition. The twin powers have contested each of the past three finals and have won 10 of the available 11 titles since the tournament's inception. Canada prevented a clean sweep when it cobbled together a magical run to claim the title in 2000. All of the other familiar Hexagonal contenders – Costa Rica, Honduras and Panama – have mustered three combined appearances in the final.

All four of those countries and the remaining six entrants in this edition of the continental championship will hope to break the duopoly. They must overcome their previous failures in this competition and rely on a mix of fresh faces and regulars to fuel their push for glory in Chicago at the end of July.

Costa Rica probably enters the tournament in the strongest position of the chasing pack. **Jorge Luis Pinto** named a strong squad with many of his usual starters, though European-based stars **Joel**



## Belize's A Team Seeks To Make A Name In The Upcoming Gold Cup

**Campbell** and **Bryan Ruiz** will miss out. Pinto has molded a diligent, effective unit during the first six matches of the Hexagonal. If his players can provide the always lethal **Álvaro Saborío** with the necessary service in Ruiz's stead, then this savvy group can mount a genuine push for its first title.

Honduras boasts perhaps the easiest of the three group assign-

ments, but it must cope without most of its familiar faces after coach **Luis Fernando Suárez** named an experimental side for the tournament. The onus now shifts onto the chosen regulars – **Marvin Chávez**, **Osman Chávez**, **Jorge Claros** and **Mario Martínez** – to carry this squad deep into the knockout round. Suarez will pay especially close attention to the performances of **Roger Rojas** and **Jerry Palacios** up front with **Jerry Bengtson** currently estranged from the national team.

**Julio Dely Valdes** faces no such concerns in his camp at the moment, but the Panama coach must also chart a course through the group stage without captain **Felipe Baloy** and a handful of other familiar faces. Baloy's absence – though he is available for selection as one of the four roster changes at Dely Valdes' disposal prior to the knockout round – places additional pressure on the generally organized defensive shape. **Blas Pérez's** presence up front at least provides an outlet for the World Cup hopefuls to play directly if they are unable to transition quickly through midfield.

Canada grapples with wider concerns as interim coach **Colin Miller** guides his inexperienced squad into these proceedings. Miller omitted veteran figures **Dwayne De Rosario**, **Atiba Hutchinson** (overlooked due to his contractual status) and **Patrice Bernier** from his 23-man roster to focus on developing younger players for the next World Cup cycle. Recently appointed captain **Will Johnson** will scurry about to fill the gaps as much as he can, but the in-form Portland midfielder can only do so much to cover for the potential issues for a side trying to build for the future.

of the available quarterfinal berths. Former West Ham striker **Frédéric Piquionne** will lead Martinique's efforts to emerge from a difficult Group A slate against Canada, Mexico and Panama. El Salvador (led by promising Rosenborg midfielder **Jaime Alas**), Haiti (reinforced by Sporting Kansas City duo **Mechack Jerome** and **Peterson Joseph**) and Trinidad and Tobago (under the auspices of former Canada coach **Stephen Hart**) will jostle with Honduras for the two guaranteed tickets out of Group B. Belize (in its first trip into this competition with top scorer **Deon McCaulay** serving as the touchstone) and Cuba (once again entirely reliant on domestic-based players) will try to squeeze out one of the two available third-place berths by procuring results against Costa Rica and the United States in Group C.

For each of these nations, the first hurdle involves finding a way out of the group stage. Only then can the focus turn toward marching into the latter stages of the tournament. Past precedent suggests the journey might end a bit sooner than desired, but the prospect of embarking upon it once more – and this time against weakened American and Mexican sides – provides hope that this summer could end differently.



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## Your Weekly Horoscope and Lucky Numbers

### ARIES:

#### March 22 to April 20

This week the stars advise you to get back into the swing of things. You will forget your past frame of mind and be able to prepare for a new adventure. Your vitality will be as strong as it has ever been. You will probably meet someone who has a beneficial influence in the days to come. **Lucky numbers: 12, 52, 61.**

### TAURUS:

#### April 21 to May 21

There is a certain quality in your personal relationships that motivates you in life. This is one of the reasons why your emotions play an important role in the scheme of things. You are guided by your emotions. This week you will be in the best disposition to meet a lot of people who will give new impetus to your life. **Lucky numbers: 09, 30, 62.**

### GEMINI:

#### May 22 to June 21

This period is full of difficulties and you will tend to question yourself, especially today. You will start thinking about your personality. Your ego risks bruising, and you will have the greatest difficulty turning your intention into real action. Your sensi-

tivity prevents you from materializing your ideas. **Lucky numbers: 35, 69, 93.**

### CANCER:

#### June 22 to July 23

It would be fair to say that you love being recognized. This week will enable you to show off your leadership skills. You will organize the day. You will accept your responsibilities and your smarts will help you welcome the day's challenges. But stay humble and keep your actions simple, especially after intense emotions. **Lucky numbers: 26, 49, 84.**

### LEO:

#### July 24 to August 21

You have a dynamic personality, Leo. With today's celestial energy, you should try to avoid expending your energy on pointless conversations. Try to be a little more pragmatic. Consider any possible compromises very carefully. If you stand strong, you will reach your objectives much more quickly. **Lucky numbers: 44, 76, 90.**

### VIRGO:

#### August 22 to September 21

This week you could learn a lot from other people who are similar to

you. They have the ability to get involved easily and go straight to the heart of any problem. The world is in constant flux. You have to question yourself if you want to attain your objectives. Try to be open-minded, adapt to the situation, and act before it's too late. **Lucky numbers:19, 38, 73 .**

### LIBRA:

#### September 22 to October 23

The stars will compel you to clarify your position within the collective. You have a lot of power when you're part of a group, but you are sometimes clumsy about communication. You can't always succeed. The planets' positions will have a beneficial impact, and you will tend to put your life under the microscope. **Lucky numbers: 41, 57, 79.**

### SCORPIO:

#### October 24 to November 21

You have always wanted to change the world, and you'd like to share your dreams with your friends. But this week you don't have enough enthusiasm to fulfill these dreams. You will question your personal strategies. You shouldn't try to convince others all the time. Your friends appreciate you just the way you are. **Lucky numbers: 59, 71, 97.**

### SAGITTARIUS:

#### November 22 to December 21

You have the tendency to plan everything, Sagittarius. You need to feel in charge of things. This week you should try to listen to others around

you. Let yourself go for a while, even though you aren't used to it. Furthermore, you need to develop your personality. You can do this by opening up to others. **Lucky numbers: 46, 66, 95.**

### CAPRICORN:

#### December 22 to January 20

You are attracted to eccentric individuals with very strong personalities. But realize that behind this attraction lies a very strong need for freedom. In your life, freedom is more fantasy than reality. The time has come for you to do some soul searching. Try not to hide from the realities of your life. **Lucky numbers: 03, 17, 33.**

### AQUARIUS:

#### January 21 to February 19

This week will destabilize you. You are trying to rebuild your life on new foundations. Perhaps should you try to change your point of view. Also, you need to preserve your perception, because it will allow you to adapt to all situations. You need to be fully alert and prepared at all times. Try not to become discouraged. **Lucky numbers: 15, 29, 81.**

### PISCES:

#### February 20 to March 21

You have a tendency to get very involved in your projects. This week the stars will compel you to clarify your situation. It's already clear that you aren't afraid to work long hours to ensure that your projects end in success. But your entourage will probably have difficulties keeping up with you. You are too full of energy. **Lucky numbers: 21, 53, 87.**



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She goes to the kitchen, calls her

husband with the new number:

"Hello Darling."

The husband responds in a low tone: "Let me call you back later Honey, the stupid woman is in the kitchen."

### Cold Message From Wife To Mother-In-Law

Dear Mother-in-law,

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### Throwing Knives At Wife's Picture

Husband was throwing knives at his wife's picture. All were missing the target!

Suddenly he received call

from her "Hi, what are you doing?"

His honest reply, "MISSING YOU."

### We Love Peanuts

A tour bus driver is driving with a bus load of seniors down a highway when he is tapped on his shoulder by a little old lady.

She offers him a handful of peanuts, which he gratefully munches up.

After about 15 minutes, she taps him on his shoulder again and she hands him another handful of peanuts.

She repeats this gesture about five

more times.

When she is about to hand him another batch again he asks the little old lady, 'Why don't you eat the peanuts yourself?'

'We can't chew them because we've no teeth', she replied.

The puzzled driver asks, 'Why do you buy them then?'

The old lady replied, 'We just love the chocolate around them.'

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A man has a flat tire, pulls off on the side of the road, and proceeds to put a bouquet of flowers in front of the car and one behind it.

Then he gets back in the car to wait. A passer-by studies the scene and is so curious he turns around and goes back. He asks the fellow what the

problem is.

The man replies, 'I have a flat tire.' The passer-by asked, 'But what's with the flowers?'

The man responded, 'When you break down they tell you to put flares in the front and flares in the back. Hey, it don't make no sense to me neither.'

### Car Dealers

When my husband and I arrived at an automobile dealership to pick up our car, we were told the keys had been locked in it. We went to the service department and found a mechanic working feverishly to unlock the drivers side door. As I

watched from the passenger side, I instinctively tried the door handle and discovered that it was unlocked. "Hey," I announced to the technician, "its open!" His reply, "I know. I already got that side."

### What Are We Having For Dinner?

A young couple invited their aged pastor for Sunday dinner. While they were in the kitchen preparing the meal, the minister asked their son what they were having.

"Goat," the little boy replied.

"Goat?" replied the startled man of the cloth, "Are you sure about that?"

"Yep," said the youngster. "I heard Pa say to Ma, 'Might as well have the old goat for dinner today as any other day.'"

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## Bolivia Calls For Punishment Over Evo Morales Plane Incident



### Vice-President Alvaro Garcia (L) was at the La Paz airport to welcome Mr Morales (R)

Bolivian Foreign Minister **David Choquehuanca** has called on those responsible for banning President **Evo Morales's** plane from European airspace on Tuesday to be punished.

He said the issue will be discussed later at a South American summit.

The plane was forced to land in Austria after several European nations refused transit through their airspace.

There were unfounded suspicions that fugitive American intelligence analyst Edward Snowden was on board.

*"We feel hurt, offended and outraged. This is an aggression against democracy and the peaceful coexistence of nations,"*

Mr Choquehuanca told BBC Mundo.

Mr Morales was returning from a visit to Moscow in the presidential jet.

Mr Snowden is believed to be holed up at the transit area of the airport - and to have been there since he fled Hong Kong.

France has apologised for the incident, blaming it on **"conflicting information"**.

French President **Francois Hollande** said he granted permission as soon as he knew it was Mr Morales' plane.

*"Statements are not enough. We expect those responsible for these unacceptable, offensive and abusive actions to be identified*

*and punished,"* said Mr Choquehuanca.

A meeting of the Unasur regional groups is due to take place in the Bolivian city of Cochabamba later on Thursday.

Mr Morales will be joined by the presidents of Argentina, Uruguay, Ecuador, Venezuela, Suriname and representatives of other South American countries.

#### 'Neo-colonial attitude'

Mr Choquehuanca described the incident as an act of aggression by European countries which exhibited what he called neo-colonial attitudes.

*"There was a violation of international treaties and the Vienna Convention, as well as of our president's human rights."*

*"European countries must explain why they continue with a neo-colonial attitude in the 21st Century,"* Mr Choquehuanca told the BBC.

The episode sparked angry reactions from heads of state across Latin America.

Argentine President **Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner** referred to *"not only the humiliation of a sister country, but of the South American continent"*.

Venezuela's President **Nicolas Maduro** said on Twitter: *"I reaffirm*

*all our solidarity with Evo [Morales] and from Venezuela, with dignity, we will respond to this dangerous, disproportionate, and unacceptable aggression."*

Ecuador's President **Rafael Correa** tweeted: *"We express our solidarity with Evo [Morales] and the brave Bolivian people."*

A statement by Brazil's President **Dilma Rousseff** said: *"The embarrassment to President Morales hits not only Bolivia, but all of Latin America."*

Demonstrators marched on the French embassy in La Paz, burning the French flag and demanding the expulsion of the ambassador to Bolivia.

Austrian officials said the airport authorities had searched the plane, but with Mr Morales' permission.

But the Bolivian government denied any search had taken place.

The plane took off from Vienna on Wednesday morning and it arrived back in La Paz on Wednesday night.

President Morales was received at the airport by a huge crowd.

*"I feel they have begun provocative action against our continent. But we will never be intimidated. They will not scare us,"* Mr Morales said in a speech at the airport.

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The fish had been starved of oxygen and died from asphyxiation, he said.

Local fishermen warned that their livelihoods had been put at risk by the disaster.

Some 180 families were reported to live off fishing on the reservoir. Images from the scene showed piles of carp and sea bream being gathered by local fishermen.

Mr Corona, mayor of Acatlan de Juarez, did not name the firm



**Tens of thousands of dead fish have washed up on the banks of a Mexican reservoir, amid allegations that a local firm contaminated the water.**

involved but said they had acted illegally.

*"The environment and the sustenance of everybody [in the*

*community] was damaged," he said.*

*"What will they live off? I'm outraged. This is a tragedy."*

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# Motorist Attacked In Buena Vista

**SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo, Wednesday, July 3, 2013:**

Two men from Buena Vista Village, Cayo are today out on individual three thousand dollar bail following a brutal attack upon a motorist in the village on Sunday, June 30, 2013.

San Ignacio police reports receiving an emergency call at about 7:30 pm for back up from the officer posted in Spanish Lookout in regards to a traffic accident in nearby Buena Vista Village.

Upon arrival police reportedly observed a silver Toyota pickup truck with Cayo license plates C-29475 with the front windshield shattered. In the driver's seat police found an injured Hispanic man identified as **Santos Najarro**, 27, Belizean businessman residing in the Oscar Sabido Layout Area of San Ignacio Town.

In a preliminary statement to the police, Najarro informed that he was beaten and robbed by a group of men from Buena Vista village. The injured man and his vehicle were taken to the San Ignacio police station where he was issued with a pair of medico legal forms, indicating injuries to the face and to the right arm. He was transported to the San Ignacio Community Hospital where the injuries, including a fractured right arm, were classified as grievous harm by the attending physician, Dr. Rivas.

In a subsequent statement to police Najarro informed that it was shortly after 7:00 pm on Sunday, June 30, whilst driving through Buena Vista village he accidentally bumped into a motorcycle that was in front of him. He said that he immediately stopped to render assistance. He reportedly first asked the motorcyclist if he was ok and if he wanted to be taken to the hospital. He said that he told the motorcyclist that his Toyota was fully insured and that the insurance company would pay for whatever damage was done to the motorcycle.

By this time the motorcyclist was joined by three other male persons. Najarro alleges that the motorcyclist requested an immediate cash compensation of one thousand dollars which he did not have. This reportedly infuriated the motorcyclist and all four men reportedly proceeded to administer a beating on him.

Najarro further alleges that whilst in pain on the ground, the men emptied his pockets and made off with the four hundred dollar

black Samsung cellular telephone he carried. He said that his right arm was injured when he used it to block a large stone that was thrown at him and that the windshield was shattered by stones thrown at the vehicle by the four attackers.

Prompt police investigation led to the apprehension of two of the four persons allegedly involved in the attack against Najarro. The two detainees were identified as the alleged motorcyclist, **Wallace Acencio**, 19, and the accomplice, **Reynaldo Campos**, 22, both Belizean laborers from Buena Vista village. The search continues for the other two accomplices identified as **Melvin Pineda** and **Melvin Acencio**.

The two detainees were later arrested and jointly charged for robbery, damage to property and grievous harm. They appeared in the

San Ignacio courtroom of magistrate Narda Morgan on Wednesday, July 3, where they plead not guilty to all

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# Four Lives Lost In Tragic Accident On The George Price Highway

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serious injuries, the conductor along with two other passengers were transported to La Loma Luz hospital where they were treated for minor injuries and released.

The bodies of **Angela Bugeja**, **Ioanna Thomompaulou** and taxi driver **Eliseo Chan** were transported to the community hospital in San Ignacio where they were officially pronounced dead by the doctor on duty.

The three deceased students reportedly arrived in Belize on Tuesday, June 4, 2013, to conduct research as part of their Masters Degree program. They were working in the Cahal Pech Mayan site with Dr. **Jaime Awe** from the Belize



**Images Taken Shorty After The Accident**



**Images Taken Shorty After The Accident**

Institute of Archeology. Their month long project ended over the weekend and the three students were making their way to the Philip Goldson International Airport for the trip to the home of **Molly Hude**,

in the US where they were planning to celebrate the 4th July US Independence Day before returning to their respective homes.

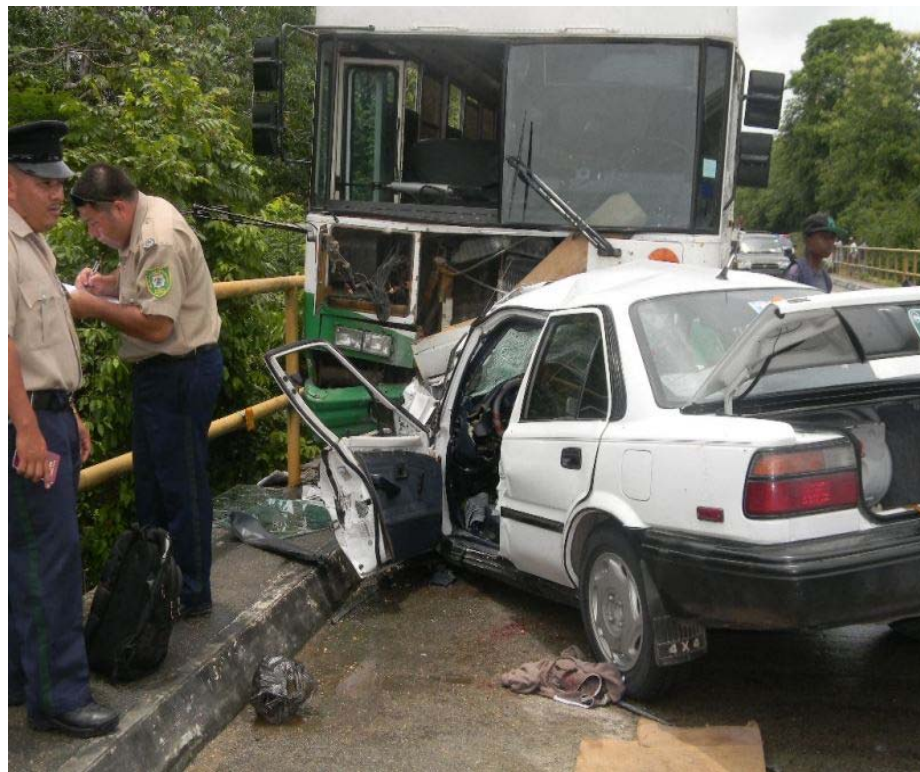
Online exchange indicate that relatives of **Angela Bugeja** have already received the tragic news and are currently making preparations via the Maltese embassy in Mexico to transport her body home.

The Bugeja's family issued a statement expressing sorrow at the death of their daughter. The statement informs: *"Our family is devastated and our hearts are heavy with the loss of our beautiful girl Angie who lost her life in a traffic accident in Belize yesterday. Angie was a loveable daughter, full of life and with great expectations for the future."*

Belize is saddened by the tragedy. We join in the expression of sincere condolences to the relatives and friends of all those who lost their lives in this most unfortunate incident.



**Images Taken Shorty After The Accident**



**Image Showing The Extent Of The Damage To The Front Portion Of The White Toyota Taxi And The West Line Bus**



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residence located between the western villages of Cristo Rey and San Antonio in the Cayo District.

Upon arrival the team of police officers entered the two story residence of Michael and Donna Hill. The place was found in a ransacked condition. Police came upon a blood stained towel as well as what appeared to be blood stains on the floor, on a sofa and on a roll of wide transparent adhesive tape.

It did not take long for the search party to find the lifeless body of **Donna Lois Hill**, 55, and her Husband, **Michael Allan Hill**, 59, in tall bushes behind their house near the banks of the Macal River both with gunshot wounds to the head.

Mrs. Hill was found with a single gunshot wound to the back of the head which exited just below the left eye while Michael had a gunshot wound behind the left ear. The bodies were transported to the San Ignacio hospital where they were pronounced dead by the medical officer on duty.

Further investigation revealed that Donna's gray Toyota Hilux was missing along with a shotgun licensed in Michael's name.

The couple, retired American Nationalized Belizeans from Colorado, USA have been living full time in Belize since 1990 and were involved in the real estate business.

They were very active in the community and are known to be among the major contributors to the Octavia Waight Home for senior citizens. At the time of their tragic death, the couple was working on the construction of a house on their Dragon Heights property with a local contractor and sever other Belizeans gainfully employed.

Within 3 days of the tragic discovers, the investigation led to the arrest of **Jodean "Dean" Vidal**, 15, of a Santa Cruz Area address in Santa Elena and **Michael Lamb**, 17, of a

#18 Cnisto Rey Road address also in Santa Elena Town.

We were reliably informed that investigators have recorded cautioned statements from the two accused. They appeared in San Ignacio's Magistrate court on Thursday July 10 where 2 counts of murder charges were read to them by Magistrate **Harrison Huelett**. They were remanded to the Hattieille Prison and are scheduled to reappear in court on Thursday, August 7, 2008.

**Jodean Vidal**, although only 15 years of age, is no stranger to the law; at the time of this incident, he was on bail, after spending 9 months on remand, stemming from charges of attempt murder, dangerous harm and use of deadly means of harm resulting from the allegation that he violently attacked **Vanessa Sabala** who emerged from the assault with two broken arms and several large wounds to the head. He was released on a \$4,000 bail on May 6, exactly 2 months prior to this recent incident.

Reports reaching us indicate that upon Jodean's release on bail, his stepfather, Denfield Arnold, the local contractor on Michael Hill's Dragon Heights Project, employed him on the site. He quit working after 3 weeks reportedly because the \$25 per day pay was too little for him and he was looking for more money to pay a lawyer to defend him on the attempt murder and other charges in connection with the Vanessa Sabala incident. It was just about 2 weeks prior to this latest incident that he quit the job at Dragon Heights.

Our investigation revealed that during the morning on Saturday, July 5, Jodean Vidal was walking around Santa Elena Town looking for someone to accompany him "on a mission to Cristo Rey". He first made contact with two brothers who were getting ready to accompany him but their older twin sisters refused to grant them permission.

It was around midmorning when

Jodean Vidal allegedly contacted Michael Lamb who reportedly agreed to go with him on the mission.

Jodean reportedly armed himself with a sawed off shotgun and they both set off from Santa Elena for the nearly 6 miles walk to the Hills residence on the outskirts of Cristo Rey Village.

Upon arrival, they reportedly sneaked into the upper portion of the house where they allegedly met Michael Hill. They held him up with the sawed off shot gun, bound his hands behind his back with transparent adhesive tape and demanded money. When he told him them that he did not have any money they began hitting him with the gun and that was when he reportedly told them that his wife was coming with the week's payroll in cash.

Whilst waiting for the wife to arrive, they found Michael Hill's shotgun, removed it from its holding case and took possession of it.

The wife later drove up to the house and no sooner had she entered when she was held up. The wife reportedly begged for their lives to be spared and for the robbers to take whatever cash and property they wanted. Her mouth was then taped and they were taken behind the house towards the southern bank of the Macal River. By this time the tape had fallen from the wife's mouth and she reportedly continued to beg for their lives to be spared but she was reportedly told that this was not possible as they have both seen the robbers' faces since they were not wearing masks.

They were shoved into the bushes as each robber fired a single shot and the life of Michael and Donna Hill was instantly ended.

The robbers reportedly returned to the residence and one of them reversed Michael's vehicle to an area behind the house in an effort to conceal it from a front view of the house.

They re-entered the house, filled

three suitcases with the victim's belongings including cash and loaded them inside Donna's vehicle for the return ride to Santa Elena.

The vehicle was abandoned about a mile from Santa Elena on the Cristo Rey Road and they walked the short distance into town. They reportedly relaxed for a while until sundown after which they re-emerged under the cover of darkness and began spending the ill gotten money. It is reported that one of them paid \$10,000 for a black Nissan Maxima and they began circling the town until they crashed the car later that night in San Ignacio. This car is presently in police custody.

The investigation led to Tuesday, July 8, detention of the two accused persons and this was when the cookie began to crumble. The stolen vehicle and most of the stolen items including the shotgun, a GPS and a bottle of wine were recovered. The suspects were subsequently arrested and formally charged for two counts of murder.

After spending five years in jail on remand, **Jodean "Dean" Vidal**, 20, and **Michael Lamb**, 22 are today free men.

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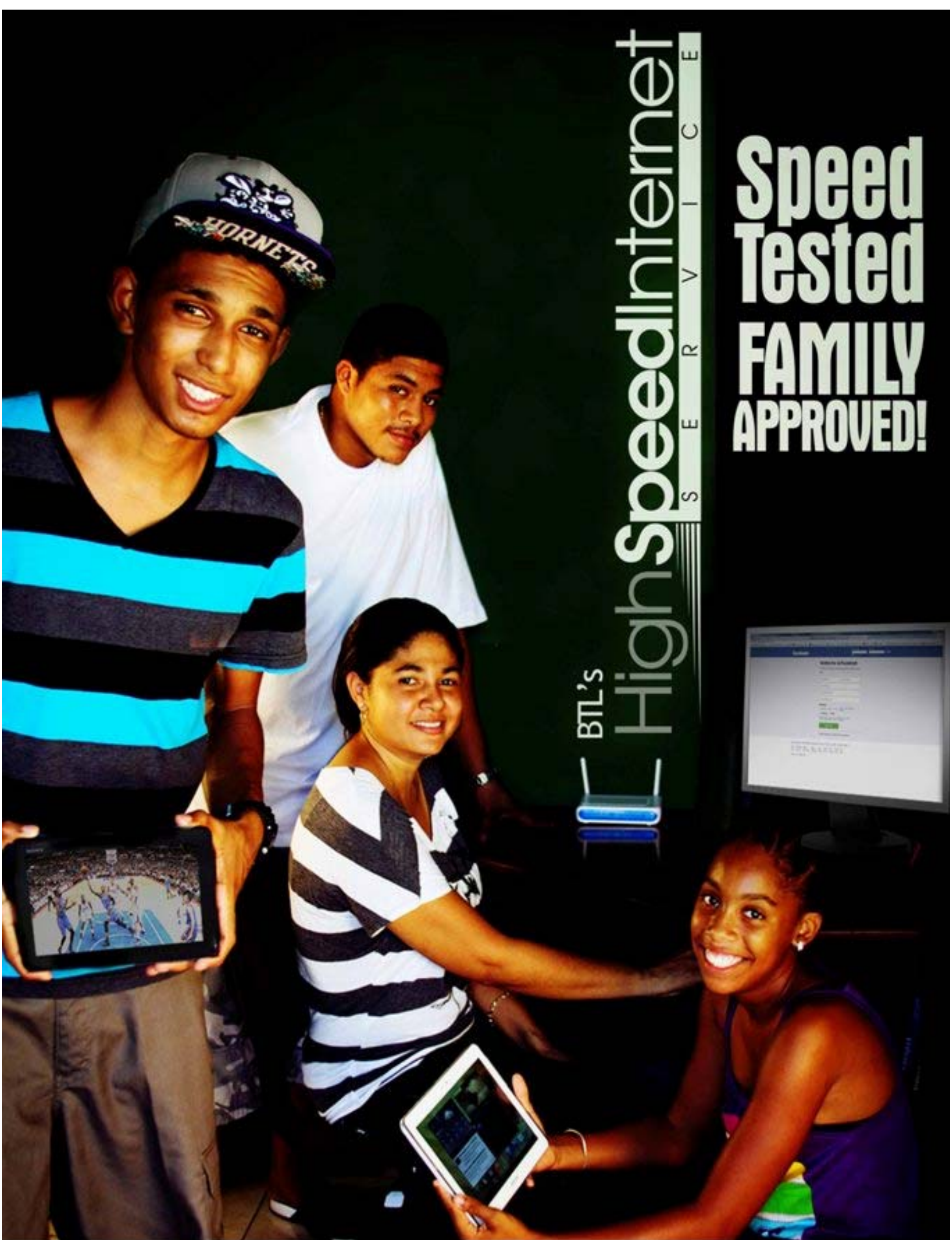
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