

Previously on... Stranded in Venezuela: After having shown off his fake Hidden Immunity Idols at Tribal Council, Sean sent Tamanaco reeling. With Frank having lied to Sean about his vote, he was feeling particularly vulnerable. On Mariche, news of the General's departure caused original Mariche members to contemplate throwing the challenge. When the Immunity Challenge turned out to be a prisoner's dilemma, Frank told his alliance not to take Immunity, but when Jeff Probst offered he attempted to grab it and send his tribe to Tribal Council. Linda was quicker on the draw and won Individual Immunity. On Tamanco, Frank began to panic knowing that Linda was Immune and he and Lex were the only targets left given Sean's idols. Frank attempted to get Sean to give him both of his Immunity Idols. He also pushed hard to get Kim J to give him Cacique and Linda to give him Immunity. In the end, it was Sean who proved to have the most strategic prowess when he bluffed Kim J into giving him Cacique. After failing to bully Linda, Kim J and Sean into giving them Immunity, Frank was all out of moves. He became the sixth person voted out. 12 people remain, who will be voted out tonight on...

STRANDED IN VENEZUELA

Episode 1907 – "Project: Blindside?"

TAMANACO, NIGHT 14

Linda - I sincerely felt bad about this. This was a very late coming thing. Essentially, notes were compared, no one knew what was going on, and Frank was at the middle of a mess and didn't seem trustworthy. Also very paternalistic in the alliance. We didn't include you because we knew you were closest, just know it was nothing against you and I still love you Mama Kim.

Kim J - I have felt the same way recently, mostly after tribe swap. However I didn't say anything about it cause all my chips were already on the "frank" table. As long as we're still good is all that matters ;) I'm slightly worried about the whole Sean/Vecepia thing. I bet they don't like me much ;P

Lex - Hey, I thought we owed you an explanation for what was going on at tribal tonight. The reason Frank was pushing everyone to vote for me tonight is because it was an act... again. He had prearranged for everybody to vote for you, because if Sean gave Jeff the idols he wouldn't be able to protect you. Obviously that didn't happen, so Frank realized he and Kim J. were vulnerable, so he voted for me because the plan was if the deal didn't fall through we would split the vote between you and Sean - he knew that if he got one more vote from anybody excluding you or Sean (since you guys said you were planning to vote 1-1) I would be eliminated in a 3-2-1 vote. Problem is, he didn't know Linda, Sean, you and I were planning to vote him out, so the plan kind of went to waste. Sorry if that doesn't make sense, I tried to explain it shortly and accurately as I could. x_x

Vecepia - I fucking never know what Frank is doing. Thanks for voting with us though.

Lex - Nah... thank YOU for voting with Linda and I, because if you hadn't I wouldn't be here right now. x_x

Kim J, now without her Cacique title or her closest ally, is feeling the pressure.

Kim J - Hello Cacique, how is it being me? I shouldn't say that :/ Well, I bet I look pretty bad to you. I just want you to know that Frank had me pretty wrapped up, and no one had come to me about the Frank vote. I didn't even know it was an option. I figured either Vecepia was leaving tonight, or Lex was. And to be honest, I'd rather have Lex in this game than Vecepia. Mostly because I've hardly talked to her. Anyways, all I ask is that you don't alienate me. Give me a chance to prove myself, and I will hopefully impress.

Sean - I won't alienate you, I promise. I didn't mean to make you feel stupid, but I had to capitalize on this opportunity. I have no hard feeling towards you or Frank. Let's kill it next challenge so we don't have to go to tribal anymore. I'm sick of it.

Linda - I'm 95% certain a merge is tomorrow since we only have a challenge, so that is important to take note of. I'm currently making Mama Kim feel comfortable, because why risk losing anyone here when we don't know the exact dynamics on nuMariche, right? Obviously if this isn't a merge and we go to a vote, we know what hap-

pens. But if it doesn't, she's a good ally I think. Loyal to a fault it seems.

Sean - thanks Linda. I really don't want to alienate her either. I like her and want her to feel included. So anything you can do would be great.

Linda - wait, is today Day 13? I can't keep track of this stuff. If it is, then there is 100% a merge, because that means the challenge will be Thursday with no tribal til Sunday. Lets the merge sink in and stuff. And yeah, will do what I can. She is going to be talking to you both she said, just so you know :)

THE RUINS, DAY 15

Jeff Probst - HOST - The day you have all been waiting for is here... Congratulations on making it to this stage of the game, you join a long list of stranded Alumni.

Please do not waste this opportunity playing it safe, there are 6 people who left before you that would love to be here, so play hard and leave the game with absolutely no regrets!

Before I let you all celebrate your new tribe, we will run your first Immunity Challenge.

More to come

Sarah - *clings to immunity idol.* No. Please. No. No! Don't take it away from me.

Clarence - Best of luck everyone!

Jeff Probst - HOST - Here's how tonight's challenge will work. It will be endurance.

You will begin counting with the rest of your tribe, each number will be sequential. You must post a new number once within each minute. If you post outside of the minute OR if you post the wrong number you are out of the challenge. If you double post, you're out.

The TWO PEOPLE who count the highest and therefore lasts the longest in the challenge wins Individual Immunity and cannot be voted out tonight.

Vecepia - Can't believe I even made it here.

Linda - Actually this one is winnable, but everyone remembers me at the last challenge of this :P

Sean - I only got a quick taste of being Cacique, but i can see why you like immunity so much Sarah.

Jeff Probst - Okay without any further questions, we'll start the challenge at 8:17... meaning you have to post the number 01 by 8:18 and number 02 by 8:19

Gina - Better pee while I can...

YE'KUANA, DAY 16

During the Immunity Challenge, the new tribemates of Ye'Kuana get to know one another and reunite.

Linda - I have missed you soooo much! It feels like it has been so long

Lindsey - OH MY GOSH I'VE MISSED YOU SO MUCH YOU HAVE NO IDEA RIP FRANK what's new ho?!

Linda - I know! The only real fun person to talk to over there was Lex. Mama kim was on a roadtrip for most of it and frank turned into a gamebot douche. The mariches were boring except sean, who is a cool but scary dude. And yeah, things kinda fell apart after Sean showed he had both idols..

Lindsey - Can you explain to me what happened with that? I agree @ the assessment of Sean being cool but scary. Did he flush both the idols? lol I kinda figured Frank was probably a gamebot. I actually hit it off real well with the people over there, Patricia made an alliance of me/her/Gina/Gabe because I got along really well with all three of them. The key was just being personable and talking about stuff that didn't relate to the game because that's what I did as soon as I got over there and I left a good impression on them I think. Sarah is a fucking boring human being. But yeah, I had fun, not much gameplay going on that I could tell because we all got along really well over there. Gabe isn't as much of a whiny douche as we thought, he's fun to talk to.

With her inroads on both tribes, Lindsey is quickly becoming the most connected player in the game.

Lindsey - omg I can't believe I actually made merge, praying this means jury too.

Patricia - I've just gotta hold on hope it's also jury. Although if we work together, I imagine we'll both be making it through a fair few votes anyway.

Lindsey - Yeah, I definitely think so too. What are your plans? I seriously wasn't expecting to merge so early tbh. I was hoping me/you/Gabe/Gina would stick together.

Patricia - Definitely. I wouldn't want it any other way. Then, we just need 3 more people to be numbers in our group of 7 :) Shouldn't be too hard since between us we have at least a tenuous connection with every single person. Although I think that Sean should definitely be someone we work with in case he didn't have to play both, or either of his idols. we may need to blindside him and to do that we need him with us.

Lindsey - Awesome. That definitely makes me feel a lot better. I agree that we gotta get to Sean because idols. I'm sure Linda will tell me what came from his idols. I'm assuming he played one or both since Frank left. But yes, getting him with us to know what he's thinking is our best course of action IMO.

Patricia - Awesome, so you, me, gabe, gina, linda, sean. Vecepia/Sarah are easy numbers to be frank, so we've got numbers for the vote no matter what, but it's just a matter of who do we want to work with the most and if we can, who else can we potentially get? Is there any other Tamanaco you feel particularly good about or should we just go the easy route?

Lindsey - Sarah definitely doesn't strike me as the type that would vote out a Mariche first haha. Vecepia also seems like she'll go wherever the majority is. Yeah I agree that it's a matter of who we want to work with most. I think the one I would have the most potential swing over is definitely Clarence. Kim squared and I were never very close (for some reason I get the feeling that Lil Kim was probably trying to throw me under the bus at Mariche) while I think my relationship with Lex probably deteriorated beyond repair due to the swap, haha.

Patricia - I'm more than happy to vote Sarah out sooner rather than later as a show of confidence. I mean, I think it'd be a fun twist of fate if the two leaders were the first two to go at the merge icon_razz but we of course have to wait until immunity's decided.

Lindsey - I would prefer to get rid of Sarah sooner rather than later too, I actually think the idea of ditching both leaders ASAP is HILARIOUS and I would really love to do it. Yeah we have to wait for immunity of course but that would be awesome.

Patricia - It needs to happen, The leaders need to be first gone. Kim J seems like one stubborn bitch though, I can see her winning this challenge. I hope someone else out-stubborns her.

***Patricia - CONFESSIONAL** - With original tribes at 6-6, NuTribes at 7-5 I'm feeling very confident in my ability to make F8 at this stage. There are a handful of boots that a lot of people and I tend to agree on. Kim J, Sarah and Clarence are all on the early list, and Kimp is kinda just.... around but has ties to Linda/Lindsey*

Lindsey - Hey Vee! I'm glad we're finally getting to meet each other. You've definitely had me really curious to what you're like, I've been itching to get to know you and Sean.

Vecepia - Yeah, there's a lot of stuff me and Sean have to talk to you about concerning the future. We were just two guys trying to survive yesterday.

Lindsey - Omg, that's ominous. But yeah I totally get what you mean, I'm glad we never lost because as much as I love all 4 original Mariches the fact of the matter is I was technically in the minority. Congrats on slaying Frank and surviving the swap on your toes, big feat. You seem like a great player to me.

Vecepia - Sarah seems to hate me though. We had to do a lot of maneuvering to stay alive because of the way she tried to screw us over.

Lindsey - Why would she hate you?! that's weird. TBH she's definitely the person I talked to the least over at NuMariche, she's just very hard to get a conversation started with haha. Why did she try to screw Sean over? For some reason I got the idea that she sent him on purpose because he had an idol... Whenever they talked about the 3 of you that got sent over they only ever had nice things to say about Sean, their sentiments towards the other two of you were not as positive.

Vecepia - Lol what did they say about me and the General. The General was nothing but nice.

Lindsey - They said that you were quiet and difficult to talk to while the General was kinda out there or something like that.

Vecepia - Sarah keeps saying that about me, but like you said you can't start a convo with her either.

Lindsey - TBH she's definitely the person I talked to the least over at NuMariche, she's just very hard to get a conversation started with haha.

With alliances all over the place, the target is constantly shifting. Original tribemates are walking on eggshells as they decide what to divulge.

Vecepia - Do we tell our former Mariche tribemates about our fake idols?

Sean - lets wait and see where they stand first.

Patricia - I cannot express how glad I am that you and Sean both survived!!!! How'd it happen?!

Vecepia - It's a long long story that cannot be told until Sean gets here. Many things happened and it was a crazy two TC's.

Patricia - Hahaha you're a suspense builder. So I mean, I know that a lot of stuff can happen on switched tribes, but as far as I can tell I think you and I are still pretty solid?

Vecepia - Yup, some things have definitely changed though. Many things.

Patricia - H ahahaha I see. And what are the chances of us discussing these changed things?

Vecepia - Very high. How else did we vote out Frank?

Patricia - Hahahha so spill what kind of things have changed! I mean, the only thing that happened with us is that we potentially have a couple of people who might flip. all 3 of Lindsey/Kimp/Clarence expressed interest in voting out KimJ as soon as the chance arose. So even though the numbers are 'even' I think that we have the advantage.

Vecepia - Yeah, so basically the original Tamanaco tribe dynamic is as follows. Kim J and Frank WERE a tight pair until we voted out Frank last tribal. Clarence was the 3rd in that alliance. Lex was also 4th in that alliance until he flipped last tribal. The other alliance on Tamanaco includes Kim P, Lex and Lindsey. If we can get those to flip we are golden.

Patricia - so essentially Tamanaco are all over the place. Which is great for us! I mean, ideally Kim J will lose and we can vote her off but I imagine she's stubborn and going to try and win, and with 2 immunities that's more likely than ever.

Vecepia - Yeah, I guess worst case scenario we could go for Clarence?

Patricia - Reading my mind. Yeah, Clarence was a snake, Made deals with a fair few people on NuMariche. I know he made a 3 deal with Gina/Sarah, but I think he had F2 deals or tried to with Kimp and Lindsey as well. And like you said, he was apparently third of Kimj/frank so he's a perfect choice. He just asked me who I was thinking, I just said "A NuTamanaco" just so he doesn't freak but I have no intention of working with him.

Vecepia - On old Mariche, who are you weary of. I think its fair to say Sarah has pissed all of us off.

Patricia - If it were possible, I think booting both leaders as soon as possible would be a good thing. I mean, once Kim J is gone i'd consider getting rid of Sarah as well? They've really only made it this far based on immunity, and both seem stubborn as hell and neither are going to trust us fully. My ideal first 3 boots would be KimJ, Clarence, Sarah in no particular order.

***Patricia - CONFESSIONAL** - Vecepia's such a hard read. She just has her own idea and seems to try to change things for no reason. After a lot of talk about Kim J being a good target, she's like "I think we could get Clarence gone!" Not that I want him to stay, but I'd rather Kim J go now while she's vulnerable.*

As more and more players are eliminated in the challenge, more conversations begin. Kim J is the latest to drop out.

Kim J - Heres the whole, unedited story. Frank wanted me to give Cacique to Sean as a trust thing to ensure Sean won't play an idol that night, on himself or Vee. After a long, drawn out process, I do it. I thought Vecepia would leave and merge would occur. Boy was the wool over my eyes XP Turns out, EVERYONE but me pursued the vote

to get him out. I just sat there, planning on the same thing that was being told to me. Even Frank was trying to backdoor Lex for whatever reason, and voted him.

Lindsey - WTF? That's bizarre. Why did that even happen? Omg @ both idols still being around then. Btw why did you decide to send me over anyways? lol

Kim J - I wanted to split everything in half so that, in case something goes wrong, we could still be together. Shouldn't have done that, in hindsight. Give me the scoop on Mariche!

Lindsey - No one seems to like Sarah very much and I don't blame them. She's not very talkative and it's soooo difficult trying to speak with her. Getting her out should be pretty easy. I bonded great with the other 3 Mariches and Pat made an alliance of me/her/Gina/Gabe. Seriously think all 3 of them are great.

Kim J - Yeah, I like Sean and Vecepia too. And Patty to an extent. Sarah would be a VERY easy vote, but she might win immunity XP What should we plan on? What would be an easy vote?

Lindsey - I hope to god she doesn't win immunity, I was kinda planning on voting her. I love Patty, she's great. My plan would be Clarence. He is fucking shady as hell, I can't trust him as far as I can throw him.

Kim J is finding she has her work cut out for her.

Kim J - CONFESSIONAL - *Jesus, I've never felt so alone. Every time a Tamanaco has left, it has been someone that has been a dear ally of mine. And now, here we are, merged. I'm alone. Severely, 100 percent, alone. At least when it comes to my tribe-swapped tribe. I feel like i'm being excluded by Lex, he isn't responding to my mails. The only people really giving me a chance in this game are Kim P/Lindsey. Vecepia hates me, I can tell and I've been told.*

The worst part? I'm the ideal ally. I have no one. But I seriously doubt anyone's going to give me a chance. I just have to hope that there's a jury that I somehow made, I want that title at least. It sucks. I'm alone. I have no one to call an ally. All my chips were with Frank. Every one of them. I need to do a lot of ground control if I have any chance of staying.

Kim J - happy to make your acquaintance

Gabriel - ...Yeah. Haven't heard many good things about you! Make it up to me. :)

Kim J - Oh dear, you haven't heard good things? XP Well, I can juggle up to 3 tangerines. I would count that as a good thing. I, uh... I can fit 16 full sized marshmallows in my mouth. I can dougie. I play frisbee a lot. Along those lines?

Gabriel - No, along the fact that you're not a total showrunner!

Kim J - Like the fact that i'm completely clueless about stuff, yeah. I'm that, for sure XP. To be honest, you're probably hearing a lot of bad stuff because of the last tribal council. I did what I did because I was told something and no one told me otherwise. I was told 1 thing, so that's what I believed. No one told me any other option was viable. I would hate to be voted out because of something I couldn't have helped.

Gabriel - Um, I haven't heard anything about the last tribal!

Gabriel - GET KIM J OUT!

Lindsey - hat seems to be the general sentiment but I would prefer Sarah or Clarence lmao. At least Kim J is a straight shooter - Clarence is a shady liar and Sarah hardly even speaks.

Gabriel - Oh, really? I thought there were plans to keep Mariche together. That's interesting! I did have a plan before the swap to take out Sarah as soon as the merge hit.

Lindsey - Honestly the people I really want to stick with from Mariche are you/me/Pat/Gina. Clarence is too shady to have around and Sarah is just... IDEK. We've exchanged like 5 PMs total, lol. Would you be down for it still if she loses immunity?

Gabriel - Yes! I think all of the people you mentioned would be too.

Lindsey - CONFESSIONAL - *Things are coming together quickly around me but the way they're coming together is making me feel slightly insecure. Linda was my BFF on original Tamanaco and we're combining the NuTamanaco crew of Linda/Lex/Vee/Sean with the NuMariche crew of me/Patty/Gina/Gabe... the only thing*

that makes me nervous is that we have to boot an original Tamanaco first. I'm sort of afraid that the original Mariche will unite but Sarah and Vecepia REALLY don't seem to get along or like each other so I can bank on that. I want Clarence out right now. People want Mama Kim, but she's malleable and will easily follow myself or Linda - it's useless to get rid of her when she'd vote with us in a heartbeat, she has no other options. Clarence is shady as fuck and had deals with everyone on NuMariche and is two-faced.

Sean - I missed you ma!. How are thing?

Gabriel - I MISSED YOU TOO! It's all good. :) Tell me about things! How did you find the idol?

Sean - haha what idols? between me you and vee, the idols are fake. it was a big bluff. I photoshopped a picture of the idol and made it seem like jeff said congrats by making a fake quote. It was so clearly fake, as i accidentally said you have 10 minute to play them instead of 5 in the quote. luckily no one noticed. I havent told anyone besides Vee and the general that they were fake. I even got Kim J to give me Cacique before last tribal council by offering Frank both the idols if Vee and myself stayed in the game. how did Mariche get along while I was gone?

Gabriel -You're such a badass. Oh my god. That is so amazing. It went really smoothly. Absolutely no conflict.

The challenge has ended and both Sarah and Gina have won the first Individual Immunities. Having been one of the final three in the challenge, Kim P is impressed with the other two ladies.

Kim P - CONFESSIONAL - *I actually grew pretty close to Mariche, and the fact that Sarah, Gina, and I outlasted everyone during the challenge by such a wide margin says something about us. We need to stick together. It looks like my Core 5 from Old Tamanaco has disbanded. Frank is gone, Mama Kim is suddenly hated by the others, and Linda and Lindsey, I have no idea where there heads are at.*

Gina - Sarah was so close to dropping out, too! I thought you were gonna take it from the very beginning. That concentration. Dayamn.

Kim P - Thank you so much! You rocked it too. The fact that us three outlasted everyone by like an hour and a half shows stuff. I really think us three should stay together.

Gina - I'm down for that. Honestly, I have no idea who would even be a target at this point- that's why I stayed in so long.

Kim P - Same here. It's very hard to tell who is sticking with original tribes and who is sticking wi swapped tribes,

Kim P - Sarah we both gave it our all at this challenge, and this set in stone my desire to work with you! So what is the plan for the first vote?

Sarah - What I want to do is either take out Mama Kim or Vecepia. Mama Kim moreso. Or Lex.

Kim P - I agree with Mama Kim. She is a T-H-R-E-A-T. I don't know Vecepia but I have no problem voting her out ^_^ . Same with Lex.

Sarah - CONFESSIONAL - *Wow, so MERGE! Yippee-ki-yay, motherfucker! My immunity is gone, I no longer have to worry about my tasks fucking me over. I still have to work for my immunity which I really want to keep. I don't feel like my position is secure so for a few rounds I want to make an immunity run. Maybe after that I'll feel safe but right now I need to keep my head in the game. I need to try to get as many people on my side as possible. Right now the plan is to vote Mama Kim. She's a ring leader of a huge alliance. She's not someone I trust and she lied to me at the merge.*

Kim P - Sarah thinks we should vote off either Mama Kim, Lex, or Vecepia.

Gina - I'd say those are the three people in this game I've connected with the least. Lex I know literally nothing about- Mama Kim, I think we could vote out at any time? She seems rather... unstable, and not too beloved by the tribe? I could be wrong here. And Vee... well Vee is literally impossible to talk to. She gives one word answers. It's frustrating. I can never even tell what she's thinking, even a little. I could be down for any of them. What do you think?

Kim P - I have been talking to Mama Kim and from what it sounded like she was completely out of the loop

during General and Frank's boots. So voting her out won't be that hard. Lex, is the Tamanaco I have talked to the least. And V I know nothing about so I am fine voting out any of them.

The New Tamanaco Alliance reunites on their new tribe.

Linda - I think I've hit us up with something great. Lindsey fell out of the challenge right away, so I went to reconnect with her, right? Try and pull her in and stuff. What I found is a goldmine that should help us loads..a potential 8 person alliance. Essentially us 4, and then we add in Lindsey, Gina, Gabe, and Patty. They are thinking of Kim J and Sarah as the first two boots, just out of an irony of the two Caciques going home so quickly when vulnerable. What do you guys think? I think this might be our ticket to the end, particularly with Sean having two idols we can use later on!

Vecepia - that was what I was thinking exactly.

Lex - What happened with Kim P. though? Otherwise it looks fine. IMO we should give Linda an idol just to spread them around, but it's not a big deal

Linda - Apparently Lindsey got in tight with those 3 Mariches and Kimmy didn't. I don't like leaving her out, but this is a game. And she apparently didn't do as well after the swap as Lindsey did. Either way, not much we can do. This is essentially a golden ticket right here.

Kim P - Sarah is gunning for you. Do we have enough votes to vote out a Mariche? Her and Gina are safe, so who would be the most likely to win out of Sean, V, Patty, and Gabe? Is the Core 5, or Core 4 still together even?

Kim J - I want it to be, but Lex isn't exactly responding to my mails. He might be with them. God dammit, I bet Vecepia is too. I'm gone, and I know it. Thanks for telling me. You have me 100 percent, and I bet I can talk to Clarence. Lindsey wants to vote Clarence, which I'm not against either. As long as I have a few days to explain myself.

Kim P - Sorry I sound so frantic but I am really worried about Clarence and Lindsey. I think they may be with Mariche.

Kim J - Hey no worries. I'm more frantic, if anything. I might be the one leaving. Your fine, Kim. I bet I can talk to Clarence. I HOPE I can, at least. I'll try with Linda and Lex. I feel very alienated with them, though.

Kim P - Why did Linda and Lex leave you out?

Kim J - They thought I was "too close" to Frank. But now, because of that, Vecepia hates me and I have literally no chance with making amends with her. She won't mail me back :/ Is Lex mailing you back? I feel like he's not mailing me back. All I wanted was the best for my pals. That's all I wanted.

Kim P - I messaged Lex about 20 minutes ago and he hasn't responded :/

Kim J reaches out to the other Cacique, Sarah, in hopes of turning the tides in her favor.

Sarah - Wow, that's awful. :(I'm sorry hon.

Kim J - Hey, it's no problem. The last thing I want, though, is to leave. So now that I'm alone, I guess the best thing that could possibly happen to me is a merge to prove myself to 4 new people ^_^ . I figure people have been throwing my name around. I'm not stupid. I just want you to know that I have hardly ANY ties to VERY few people. I'd be a bad first vote :P

Sarah - I mean it's kind of easy to throw either of our names around after everything we had to do. I know that if I lost tonight my name would have been going around too.

Kim J - That's also the way I felt. I'm an easy vote, considering I was Cacique. Although, in hindsight, I think it hurt me more than it helped me. I bet you have some sort of influence in this game. If there's anything you could do to salvage my name in any way, I would appreciate it a lot. If you feel that me leaving tonight would best help your own game, please tell me tonight, so I can have a chance to convince you otherwise.

Sarah - I mean nothing has really been said yet. Who do you think should leave?

Kim J - I don't know what went down with the Mariche's in the time I wasn't there, so I'm unsure of how I feel about the whole thing. If it's up to me, and I have the deciding vote and I have to decide tonight, it would be Vecepia. She hasn't responded to my mails, but she's online. So obviously she doesn't want to fix anything that happened in our old tribe.

Sarah - I don't know man. This is so iffy to me because I may have immunity right now but it's the first round of the merge, the shockwaves of the decisions here will last until the end...

Kim J - Exactly, and voting me out would be a waste of a good opportunity to vote someone else out that isn't on your side. I understand why I'm an option, I just think there are better options.

YE'KUANA, DAY 17

Sean - I'm worried that people might target me because of the idols. I almost want to get rid of them just to get the stigma away from me.

Patricia - If you do want to get rid of the idols... I mean there's always the possibility that we fake a blindside? At some point if you want I could "organise a coup" against you, and then we all vote for you and you can successfully play the idol cause I tell you everything. That way we can blindside someone and they won't be bitter. Alternatively, you could always do the fancy schmancy double idol play at some point just for show :D

Sean - i love the plan of a fake blindside....however i dont think it will work out. Ready for your mind to be blown and to roflcopter all over the floor. The idols are fake. i photoshopped them and made a fake quote from jeff. it was just a giant bluff that luckily no one called. I messaged you and gabe. so you me,vee, and gabe (when he reads it) are the only ones that know right now. I'm thinking that we can use thim this vote to gain control. "Buy" peoples votes becasue they are no good to us anyways. They will be of better use to us, if other people think they are safe when they are really not. So this round im thinking that maybe I'll buy/ secure us some votes and give them to others.

Knowing she is in trouble, Kim J starts the day with a good old fashioned scramble.

Kim J - I think I'm gone tonight :/ I hope you make it far!

Clarence - Just convince that Sean guy to give ya an idol and then BAM take out whoever you hate most! ^.^

Kim J - That'll be like, borderline impossible XP. Just 2 days ago I thought we were voting out his dear friend, Vecepia.

***Clarence - CONFESSIONAL** - I really could be going home tonight. I have no idea which side has more numbers. Bah humbug. I think Vecepia or Kim J are going... or me.*

Kim J - It's morning :) And I'm good! How about yourself?

Sarah - I'm great. I'm excited for the day. So right now there's a lot of scrambling going on for votes. I think if you play low key you should be fine.

Kim J - Are you sure? What makes you say that? Whose the other option?

Sarah - Vecepia's name is going around.

Kim J - Is it really? Whose considering voting for her?

Sarah - Let me talk to some people for confirmation.

Kim J - Alright, thanks. What made you guys decide to vote out Vee?

Sarah - For me, the tasks. :P

Kim J - The Cacique tasks?

Sarah - Yes.

***Kim J - CONFESSIONAL** - I've become a paranoid idiot who wont keep her mouth shut. But i figure, I have nothing to lose, right? For example: I just asked Sean for an idol of his, promising that I would be forever in debt to him and it's a chance to get rid of someone that's powerfull in this game. Will he actually believe me? HA!It's becoming a one sided effort trying to get people to talk to me. I've noticed that I'm being avoided, especially by Lex. The worst part? I GAVE UP CACIQUE BECAUSE I THOUGHT IT WOULD HELP LEX MERGE! Lex is perfectly willing to see my ass go now. I gave up EVERYTHING for him (or at least, that's what I thought) and he won't even talk to me.Sarah is trying to get me to shut up by telling me that Vecepia is the target tonight. I seriously doubt that it's the case, but it's becoming to seem like its the only option.*

Sarah immediately throws Kim J under the bus.

Sarah - Can you help me calm Mama Kim down? She's so paranoid and if she's getting voted out the last thing anyone wants is her scrambling. Help convince her Vee is going?

Lindsey - Will do. Btw, what are you thinking for the vote tonight? Everybody seems to want Mama Kim but idk i just think it's kinda a waste since she's a non-factor. I would much rather vote Clarence because he's shady and was trying to wheel and deal with everyone on both old Tamanaco AND NuMariche. He's a wild card.

Sarah - I don't see the harm in voting Mama off. Clarence isn't a challenge threat so he could easily go next round. As far as I know no one trusts Clarence.

Kim J - I heard that my name's still being tossed around. I also heard someone else's name is being thrown about. Do I have a chance? XP

Lindsey - I'm going to be honest, it doesn't look good for you at all.

Kim J - Thank you for being honest. Hardly anyone is being honest XP. I heard that, potentially, Vecepia is going home. Do you think it's possible to talk some people into a Vee vote? I have myself and Clarence to offer up for the vote. Thats... really bad that it's all I got XP. Vecepia has Sean, and Sean has 2 idols. If we can separate any leverage Sean has, that'd be super.

Lindsey - Yeah, i'm confused too, I don't get why people want to vote you out... IDK, it seems like it's happening too easily. It makes me uncomfortable. I think that's a great plan, ask around and try to get people to vote for Vee.

Kim J - So you'll vote for Vee? I think I can get Kim P to come along with us. That's four votes. Should I talk to Sarah or someone else?

Lindsey - Talk to Sarah for sure. Vee and her really don't like each other. Best bet from there would probably be getting the block of Pat/Gina/Gabe.

Kim J - I love you Lindsey. Thank you so much. Sorry if I've been a wreck. Yesterdays tribal wasn't a good way to start off the merge for me, and now i'm being gunned for. It's just been a hard road without Cacique for Mama Kim XP

Lindsey - Yeah I feel you. I'm sorry you're being targeted so much, I seriously don't get it.

In deciding what to tell Mama Kim, Sarah and Gina decide what to do about Sean's idols.

Sarah - If Kim asks Vecepia's the vote tonight. We just need to calm her down since she may have an idol.

Gina - She's trying to get me to try and swap my vote to Vee, and to try and convince Gabe and Pat. She told me that she thinks if the three of us join her she could very well have a majority. Honestly Sarah I don't even understand her thought process in targeting Vee. Like, Vee is probably the least threatening person in this game at this point. I just... don't understand. But I'll try and placate her and cool her nerves.

Sarah - Do you think we maybe could try to get one of Sean's idols flushed?

Gina - I've been mulling this over in my head. It's a real risky move but I really hate that he has two idols- and he is a jury threat. I honestly don't think he'd see anything coming- we could even take him out, although I'd hate to vote him out this early since I like the guy so much. I am just not sure we have the numbers. You, me, Kim J, I could probably pull Pat. But other than that I just don't see who we could get. Clarence is probably the next vote but he talks too much to keep a secret. Kim P is really hard for me to read... I doubt Linda and Lindsey would go for it. Gabe, maybe? I dunno. I just don't see the numbers at this point since everyone is so dead set on Kim J.

Sarah - Like I don't trust him but Kim... She's shady.

Gina - She certainly doesn't have many friends in the game right now, that's for sure.

Sarah - I think we can do Sean. We just need to be extra careful about who knows the plan. We might be able to get Lindsey and other Kim since they never met Sean.

Gina - I think it has to be 100% now or we can't send any votes his way. If we get some but not enough he's gonna be a lot more cautious with his idols and feel a lot less secure. I just think it's too risky for me, when the punishment should we fail would be pretty severe. I think we're in a pretty comfortable majority right now- I'd hate to piss that many people off at this point. I'm hoping there will be ample opportunity to get him in a few

rounds... I know Pat and Gabe aren't gonna want to sit by and let him walk into the finals, thats for sure.

Sarah - CONFESSIONAL - *So the idea came to Gina and I that maybe we could flush both of Sean's idols out of the game. That major variable puts a huge wrench in my game so at some point we need to get them both out of the game. Not to mention that Sean's a jury threat. If I could successfully blindside him that would secure me as the MVP of the season. I'll be completely honest, I am starting to play for an All-Star spot. I know that may be undesirable but this sort of game isn't one I can just join again next season but this has been the most exciting experience I've had in ORGs ever so at some point that idea has to pop in. I can't just sit back and waste my time. My goal is to play the greatest game.*

Gina - CONFESSIONAL - *I'd prefer to keep Kim J, but the tribe is so overwhelmingly in support of booting her that I'm not gonna stick my neck out to try and save her. At this point I'd say she's pretty much toast but you never know just what's gonna happen. I'm certainly open to other options.*

Sarah - What if we tried to flush the idols? Maybe take out the source?

Kim J - Howso?

Sarah - The votes will be split about 3 - 3 - 4 with one swing if we try to take out Sean.

Kim J - I'm game!

Sarah - Alright, we need to be really careful about who knows the plan. Gina's game. We need to make sure we only get the votes we need.

Kim J - I think I could get Clarence.

Sarah - Lindsey and other Kim never met Sean so maybe... I think Gabriel would be down.

Kim J - Do you wan't me to ask them, or should you? I think a lot of my credibility is shot down considering I pretty much reek of desperation.

Sarah - I'll talk to them.

Kim J - Alright sounds good. I'll be online, so tell me how to vote and I'll cast it almost immediately.

Sarah - Keep this on the down-low, but what if we flushed the idols? so the votes were already being split between Vee and Mama Kim, right? What if we took advantage of that split and took out Sean and/or his idol(s)? If we can get majority on him there goes at least one of his idols. If he doesn't use it, there goes both. And then he could use one on Vee as well. It's such a tempting possibility for me, I think. I spoke to Mama and she can get Clarence. Gina and I were talking about it. I think we could get Kim P.

Lindsey - I could get Linda and Lex. This is way too tempting and too much of a prime opportunity when no one will see it coming.

Sarah - Alright. I really really want to try this.

Lindsey - Same here. I really hope that Lex and Linda are up for it. You should message Lil Kim, I'm sure she'll be down. Why wouldn't Gina do it?

Sarah - She was afraid we wouldn't get the votes and it would blow up in her face.

Lindsey - Do you think I could PM her and reassure her? Also, do you think Pat and Gabe would do it too or no?

Sarah - I think so but we really need to keep this as quiet as possible. It's not called a blindside for nothing. :P

Lindsey - True dat.

Lindsey - CONFESSIONAL - *Some stuff is brewing. Sarah wants to try and use this opportunity to possibly blindside Sean or flush his idols. I'm all for it, we just have to keep it on the down-low. Gina backed out of the plan but we may not even need Gina.*

Sarah - Project: Blindside? So I think we may have the votes to blindside Sean and flush those idols. Those idols are really dangerous. Kim, Lindsey, Lex, Clarence, and some other people I can't remember already said yes.

Kim P - Okay sounds good to me!

Sarah - Keep it hush hush. We don't need word getting out.

Kim P - Exactly. Sean has to feel safe.

Kim P - Change of plan! Sarah is going to flush out Sean's idols and vote his ass off.

Kim J - Yep! Are we all voting Sean?

Kim P - Yep, that's the plan! And the Final 11 will be 5 Mariche, 6 Tamanaco. Hopefully we can reunite the Tamanaco members to pick the others off?

Kim J - That's what MY plan is. Do we have the votes to oust Sean?

Kim P - Yeah. It sounds like everyone is in on it except Sean... And Vecepia

Kim J - Oh hopefully, hopefully, he doesn't know. Cause then if he plays an idol, I'm gone XD

***Kim J - CONFESSIONAL** - I'm making headway. I'm like a slow turtle, inching it's way to the finish line. The sad part is that i'm competing for something beyond 12th place. XP.*

Sarah - Well... the votes are all there already.

Gina - For Sean?

Sarah - Yep.

Gina - Who? I mean I'm down to vote him out if there's a majority. If you can't say, I understand. But I'd love to be in on this.

Sarah - Clarence, Lex, Both Kims, Lindsey, me.

Gina - I'm shocked Lindsey is on board. I'd assume that would bring Linda's vote with her

Sarah - Oh right, Linda too.

Gina - Well um... goddamn.

***Sarah - CONFESSIONAL** - Alright so we hit a little bump in the road with Gina pussying out, the little bitch, but we're back on track.*

After what seemed to be a successful turn of the tides, Sarah hits her first roadblock in blindsiding Sean.

Sarah - What would you think about flushing the idols Sean has?

Patricia - At this first vote? I think it's a really bad idea. Right now, it's 6-6 original tribes. I know that the 3 Tamanacos we got were all "thank god, we actually hated them" but I won't trust them until I see their votes going down. I think we should put their money where their mouth is and get rid of an original Tamanaco.

So she immediately backtracks.

Sarah - Oh, I meant in a few rounds.

Patricia isn't buying it and immediately sends the message to Sean.

Sean - I figured someone would say as much.

Patricia - Don't worry man. It's Sarah. She has all the influence of a rubber carrot. Plus she clarified in a follow-up pm "Not this round" I wish she'd say shit like that initially. I showed you the 'entire' pm. Y U NO SAY MORE THAN 1 LINE SARAH!

Sean - Haha oh Sarah. Shas a character

TRIBAL COUNCIL #7, NIGHT 17

Jeff Probst - HOST - Welcome everyone to your first Tribal Council as a new tribe.

Sarah, Gina... you are both the only ones safe from tonight's council. If either of you would like to give your immunity to someone else, you now have 5 minutes to do so.

Sarah - *stands up* I would like to give my immunity to Natalie. *Sits down smiling*

Lindsey - Lindsey quietly changes her legal name to "Natalie."

Gina - I'll keep it, thanks

Jeff Probst - HOST - Kim J, walk me through what happened at the last council, because it was an unprecedented series of events.

Kim J - Well... I gave Cacique to Sean to prevent idols being played, thinking I was being some brilliant, humble person, and the wool was pulled over Frank's eyes as he left 4-1-1. I thought the plan was to gun for Vecepia.

Jeff Probst - HOST - Lex, coming into the merge, who would you say are the biggest threats remaining in the game?

Lex - There's nobody in particular I see as outstanding in challenges yet, because every challenge up until yesterday has been a team competition and the one guy that jumped out at me the most when somebody says the word "challenge" was Frank. And yesterday's challenge wasn't really a good judgment of somebody's ability to do well at challenges moreso than somebody's ability to stay focused on something for a long period of time. :p

Jeff Probst - HOST - Vecepia, you've been the cat who caught the canary for a few rounds now... surviving boots all through what seems to be Sean's doing. Are you hiding in the shadows of Sean or are you a force to be reckoned with in this game?

Vecepia - Me and Sean have been making decision together. It is not all his doing. We've saved each others asses multiple times. People on the original Mariche can attest to the fact that Sean was going to be the first boot but I campaigned for him to save. We both wouldn't be here if it weren't for the other.

Sean - True facts. we had to work together to both stay alive.

Jeff Probst - HOST - Gina, did anyone surprise you in the challenge?

Gina - I was shocked at Kim P. She was all business- everyone else was chatting and getting themselves eliminated and I don't think she said a word until Sarah talked about stepping down in the last 20 minutes. Her concentration was really impressive.

Jeff Probst - HOST - Kim P, you were just shy of winning immunity, did you feel that you were in danger tonight? If you go home... how do you feel afterwards?

Kim P - I don't feel that I am in danger tonight. I know you shouldn't say that but tonight I really don't feel in danger. My whole challenge performance wasn't to prove anything to anyone else, but to prove to myself that I could win. My pre-merge performances were mediocre and I really wanted to do good in one.

Jeff Probst - HOST - Lindsey, with all the talk of idols and necklaces floating around, what is the main goal for tonight's council?

Lindsey - I think this Tribal Council is easier than it may look to you.

Jeff Probst - HOST - And why is that?

Lindsey - I think most people were on the same page as to who should go.

Jeff Probst - HOST - Kim J, what do you do as someone who feels they may be going home to convince everyone else to keep you?

Kim J - I just have to sit here and keep on defending myself, and pitching myself to whoever is willing to listen. This is final 12. There are a lot of us sitting here tonight. I just don't want to be instantly thought of as an option tonight.

Jeff Probst - HOST - Patricia, if the boot target is obvious tonight, then wouldn't this be the perfect time for a classic blindside? I mean it's not very often in post-merge Stranded that you get a unanimous boot decision?

Patricia - It depends on what your goals are. If your goal is to shake things up then yeah, you could blindside someone tonight. I don't see the need to do it personally because with 12 people left, there's a very strong chance that some of the people not in on your blindside you'll need to work with in the future. And if they can't trust you and you need them you could find yourself going. If there is an 'obvious boot' or at the very least a large consensus boot, some would be inclined not to shake the boat. I don't think anybody wants to shake the boat this early.

Mia Galeotalanza - HOST - Lindsey: You say that you think tonight's vote will be "easier than you think" but then you say you feel in danger? What's going on in that head of yours?

Lindsey - That's the thing. It seems easy to a lot of people and that naturally makes me paranoid, because now that we're at the merge there shouldn't be this much... agreement. So I'm definitely nervous.

Jeff Probst - HOST - Gina, are the tribes still divided by the original Mariche/Tamanaco or has the swap compli-

cated things?

Gina - This is definitely an individual game now. I don't think anyone is thinking along tribal lines anymore, pre-swap or post-swap. I know I'm friendly with people I haven't yet played the game with and I think that is true for most everyone

Mia Galeotalanza - HOST - Sarah: If you feel out of the loop on the vote, yet you are immune tonight, is there any way to get back into the loop after tonight?

Sarah - Well, I mean, I really just feel out of the loop on most of the stuff being talked about at the Tribal. I think if I was I would probably just try to sit back and talk things through with people. I wouldn't like feeling out of touch with my new tribe.

Mia Galeotalanza - HOST - Kim P: Compare your time on Mariche with your time on Tamanaco.

Kim P - My time on Tamanaco was pretty much controlled by Frank. Which thank you Sean for getting rid of him. Frank had deals with everyone and I did believe him. I felt very confident of my place in the tribe. Then we swapped and Lindsey, Clarence, and myself were automatically on the bottom. However the Marichea were very chill and genuine people. In hindsight I am glad I was swapped, not only because I wasn't on the clusterfuck that was Tamanaco but also because of the great relationships I made on Mariche.

Clarence - I wish more people pmed me today. I give good hug.

Sean - sorry i didnt get a chance to PM anyone :(until like 20 min before tribal from my phone.

Sarah - Does anyone know where Gabriel is?

Patricia - I ate him.

Sarah - I figured.

Jeff Probst - HOST - Clarence, do you feel out of the loop? You were sent away from your original tribe after getting into a public fight with Linda, how was the reunion btw?

Clarence - lol Jeff, I don't think I've ever fought with Linda. But I do feel oddly torn. I may not have locked in my vote yet. Someone give me a name. ;P

Lindsey - Clarence.

Jeff Probst - HOST - Is there any talk of an idol being played tonight?

Sean - I guess i can answer that correctly. Yes.

Clarence - Feel free to use an idol on me, Sean.

Sean - I have a feeling id be using it on the wrong black guy.

Linda - I actually do feel semi worried. This is too easy. And I can't do much from my phone so it is scary..I hve not yet had the opportunity to talk to cleopatra yet

Jeff Probst - HOST - At this time, all votes are final.

If anyone has found a Hidden Immunity Idol and would like to play it on themselves or someone else, you now have 5 minutes to do so.

I'll go tally the votes.

[Click here to view the Tribal Council voting.](#)

Kim J - It's been real guys. The unnecessary lying by a few people kinda hurt, but it was still fun. Thanks for having me Jeff

Sean - <3 Jury begins. We haven't seen the last of you.

Lex - Sorry Kim. On the other hand, I thought this was a F2; does that mean there's a F3 if the 12th person voted out is 1st member of the jury?

Lindsey - I'm sorry Mama Kim. honestly I really like all of you and it's hard to vote for anyone at this point. icon_sad. Congrats everyone on jury though.

Clarence - You will be missed Kim! <3 -tackle huggles-

Vecepia - Oh shit I am a rotten bitch apparently.

Jeff Probst - Well, that was your first taste of a Stranded merger council. No one is safe ever, just when someone thinks they are safe it's the perfect time for a blindside.

I'll leave you with this thought.

Tonight Kim J joins the jury, that means taht she will be voting for a winner. Be sure to give the jury a good reason to vote for you, because I can promise you that going with the flow and staying hidden and squeaking to the end will not get you their vote.

Good night and have a good weekend! I'll see you Sunday for a double header where someone else will join Kim J.

As always, Have fun and Play Hard!

FINAL WORDS

Kim J - Any Regrets? I think what really killed me isn't the Frank alliance, what killed me is who I sent to the other tribe. I should've kept Clarence (cause I think he would've done anything I said) and Lindsey (she's awesome) and sent Linda and Lex instead. Then Frank might've merged, and we would've kicked ass! Frank shouldn't have lasted long in this game, but he NEEDED to merge. For sure.

Things I would change? I kinda said in the regrets what I would change. To add some more though: I would change the fact that Lex and Linda constantly backstabbed me when I showed nothing but teamwork and appreciation in return. I hope they were 2 of the people who voted with me last tribal. They better. I would also change Frank's attitude at swap. It kinda killed him, and in the end it kinda killed me too.

Would I play again? Hell yeah I would! I don't think I did anything awesome-worthy. However, I'd be game to return anytime Jeff wants.

Who am I rooting for? I'm rooting for Clarence, Lindsey, Kim P mostly. Secondary roots go for Sean. Everyone after we have to wait and see what happens, and then after a million tons of shit is Sarah. She lied so unnecessarily that its ridiculous. Thankfully I have an impact sorta.

What I expect to happen? I expect Sarah to leave whenever she doesn't have immunity. Followed by Clarence. After that, I have NO clue what could happen XP