

## EPISODE 303: "HANDS IN!"



### ANDOA, NIGHT 4

*Having escaped a close call, closest allies Amanda and Courtney celebrate their victory over Dave.*

**Amanda** - Yay! Wow, so everyone voted for Dave?

**Courtney** - 😊

**Amanda** - **CONFESSIOAL** - I'm happy with everyone now. So glad that prick, Dave, is gone. We should be able to do pretty well in the challenges regardless of the fact that we have one inactive and one retarded old guy. I want Tijuana to tell me what's going on over at her tribe!

**Brianna** - Dave is gone! I am so happy.

**Courtney** - I wish it could have been PG, but Dave was all my way or the highway.

**Brianna** - I know but we got control and that's all that matters right now. Besides, I am sure that the PG replacement will show up soon.

**Brianna** - **CONFESSIOAL** - Um, I don't know what my purpose of the tribe is... I just fit in. I suppose I might be the glue in the tribe since you know I just stick everyone together. I make Chicken feel a valuable tribe member, same with James, Amanda, Courtney... I make them seem worthy. I don't try to commit to any roll. Sometimes I try to be the leader, sometimes I try to be the voice and sometimes I try to be the power-horse. It hasn't failed me yet so I suppose that it's working for me. I don't think I make myself seem a threat but you know people can trust me so I suppose it works.

*While the others are giddy in their triumph, James still feels empathy for Dave.*

**Courtney** - Dave didn't even leave final words.

**James** - Yeah I feel kind of bad. But he did draw a lot of attention on himself. 😞 Oh well. One less schemer to worry about I guess.

**Courtney - CONFESSIONAL** - Why should I be happy? Maybe I'm happy being miserable. 😊  
After a big vote, there's always a decompression period. Relief, sadness, second guessing, then the anticipation starts building again. There's always the potential, I'll be pegged as the Cirie eventually. I couldn't let Dave dictate the vote, so I did kind of put myself out there. I do think the reasoning I gave to boot Dave was sound, so I don't come off as 'greedy'. My main concern is there's no sound board to toss ideas off of yet because of inactiveness, plus a low key player could be just waiting to hook up with their partner at the switch. Is Todd really happy being 5th string? I doubt it, but do I want to make yet another side deal? Not really. All people need to do is compare votes and I could be done. There's too many possibilities that can't be accounted for. That idiot Lill is calling in a favor, trying to get me to throw a challenge. I never made any agreement with that fucker of any kind. I've been sharing info with him. That's it. I don't trust him, based on his actions in the past.

**James** - Glad you're still around.

**Amanda** - Me too. 😊 I'm surprised it was such a wipe out. I wish I could have heard Dave's reaction. 😊

**James** - Yeah I wanted some final words! The cursing and the flipping us off!

**Amanda** - Well that douche got PWND, that's for sure.

**James** - You said it baby. 😊 At least there won't be anyone hurling insults at the other tribe in the challenges from now on.

**Amanda** - Indeed. I still can't believe the nerve of that guy. 😊 Oh well.

**James** - I think his partner was clearly Andrew or one of those people he was having a go with. It was pretty obvious.

**Amanda** - Thanks for keeping me, sweetheart. <3

**Todd** - Hey, I didn't I say not to worry. Even though I voted outside of the majority...

**Amanda** - It's fine, we just didn't want the Dave boot getting out there before he had time to flip it. No worries, doll.

**Amanda** - That felt really good and a huge burden is lifted off me now. You're a savior, babe.

**Brianna** - It really wasn't a big issue with me. I had your back 100%

**Amanda** - Thanks, doll. You know I have your back 100%.

**Brianna - CONFESSIONAL** - Well, I know that I do have a lot of deals but some are stronger than others and some just link together so you know I think it is working so far but if I have to change my strategy a bit... that's cool too.

*Along with being negative, Courtney does have some paranoid tendencies.*

**Courtney** - It does make me nervous that Chicken is at the temple, but not here. Talking to his partner?

**James** - Chicken is such a dink. 😊 Maybe we should just do him next to save him the trouble.

**Courtney** - Hopefully, we just win the next challenge to give us some breathing room after all this excitement. But at least I know I can count on you, Bri, and Amanda!

**James** - Yeah it's time to win again. I ain't sitting through another of these snoozer TCs.

*Although Courtney is at times negative and paranoid, she shows her softer side in her protection of Amanda, her best friend in the game.*

**Amanda** - All is well on Andoa.

**Courtney** - I was sooo nervous that first nite, when Dave was pushing for you to go. I honestly thought he'd have control of this tribe and he'd boot you. Thank god it didn't happen!

**Amanda** - Haha, I know right? Let's just hope he doesn't come back!

**Courtney** - I was worried about crazy theories like Bri/Todd/Dave/Chicken forming an alliance.

**Amanda** - Haha! I'm the same, I tend to over-analyze and over-think things too often, but I think we all should be okay for a while now.

**Courtney** - Yeah. Hopefully we win the next immunity challenge to give us a chance to come down from this crazyness.

**Amanda** - I hope none of the challenges are speed involved. Speed is not my thing, strategy is.

**Courtney** - Ok, I think I'll head to bed... talk to you later, girl! Glad you're still here!

**Amanda** - Thanks doll, sleep well.

## OMURANO, NIGHT 4

*The Omurano tribe members stay up late, hoping to hear word from their partners on Andoa.*

**Lill** - any word?

**Christa** - Not a one. At this point, I'm just hoping it wasn't my partner.

**Lill** - who's your partner...hmmmm?

**Christa** - You know it's too early to tell you that. 😊 But trust me, if/when my partner gets voted out, I will tell you immediately.

**Lill** - One would hope... 😊 I didn't expect an answer.

**Christa** - It was Dave! He was booted 6-1-1!

**Lill** - Interesting! Hope he wasn't your partner...

**Christa** - Nah. If I was his partner, I would've told him to shut the fuck up before the challenge even started on day 1.

**Lill** - My partner wouldn't have amped it up more just to make me crazy. It should be ok. you and I have put up for this team, the rest can start carrying their load. I'll be here tomorrow. We'll win the challenge and be off on Friday!

**Christa** - I sure hope so.

*Little by little, news starts to trickle in from the Andoa tribe to the Omurano tribe through the partners.*

**Lill** - How ya been? Rumor has it that Dave was voted out... Apparently he and Amanda were having a war and she won.

**Tijuana** - Wow. That Dave was a character. The IC's won't be as fun without him there to talk shit

**Lill** - Hope he wasn't your partner...

**Tijuana** - He wasn't my partner but I think he wanted to get in my pants (or buff)

**Lill** - Who wouldn't?

**Christa** - Didja hear? Dave is gone. It's like they're trying to one-up us in terms of shocking boots.

**Tijuana** - Yeah, Lill just told me. She said it was between him and Amanda. I can understand them going for Amanda since she matched them up. I wonder if any of them took issue with her list. I

wonder how they settled on Dave. Like I told Lill, IC's won't be the same with him gone. Guess they'll be a lot quieter 😊.

**Christa** - From what Lill told me, it seemed like Dave went after Amanda, who apparently made more alliances than he did.

**Tijuana** - Basically, we need to keep winning ICs so we can crush all the alliances over there 😊 and it won't matter who on that tribe had the most alliances 😡

**Christa** - Damn straight.

## OMURANO, DAY 5

*With little else to discuss, the focus is still on the other tribe.*

**Osten** - Damn. Didn't see that coming... 😊 I would've preferred one of the boring chicks. Dave was a very colorful character.

**Christa** - Are you in tears?

**Osten** - OFFENDED would probably be a better word to describe it.

**Christa** - Morph?

**Osten** - My opinion of Dave changed after his incredible morph in the last immunity challenge.

**Christa** - Well, all this means is better chances for our team to win, unless Dave sucked at challenges and we just didn't see it.

**Ryan** - \*evil laugh\* Dave? Really? That's... surprising, even though my partner told me just before their TC he was a target. Weird stuff, weird indeed

**Christa** - Given your haircut, I just imagined you dressed as Dr. Evil with glasses.

**Ryan** - Ahahaahaha, That is the best imagery ever!

**Christa** - \*laughs with you\* MWAH HAH HAH!

*Christa and Lill commiserate over being the only two on the tribe who seem to be around much.*

**Lill** - How is our jungle paradise treating you today?

**Christa** - Are we the only people who show up outside of challenges and tribal council? This board has been dead all freaking day.

**Lill** - The others bip in from time to time, but it's 99% just us.

**Christa** - Well, do your best at the immunity challenge tonight. I'll be rooting for you guys. \*throws up the horns\*

**Lill** - It might just be me. I wouldn't expect great things, but you never know. I've been known to pull a stunning victory out of my ass every once in a while. Not as often as I would like, but once in a while I don't completely suck.

**Christa** - You've done a great job thus far, and plus, for all we know, Amanda might throw the challenge again.

**Lill** - One can hope. I'll put an order in and see if I can make it happen

**Christa** - Like an assassination attempt?

**Lill** - Dave diss'd me in the first challenge...he's not around any more... just sayin'

*Andrew arrives to catch up on what he's missed.*

**Christa** - Apparently, Dave was eliminated in a near-unanimous vote.

**Andrew** - Really? Well that is certainly good news. Lill had mentioned she thought it was going to be Amanda. I think that turned out well. Thanks for the heads up.

**Christa** - We've just gotta avoid self-destructing like their tribe might be on its way to doing.

**Andrew** - Agreed. But I think we are smarter than that, we seem to have a good bunch

**Christa** - Yeah. Their tribe may (barely) be stronger than us physically, we completely outclass them, mentally.

**Andrew** - Without a doubt!

**Andrew** - **CONFESSIOAL** - I feel I will always be involved in the voting strategies. However, my 'style' is to make it appear like I'm not the front man (who often becomes the target) while getting my desired results guiding things 'behind the scenes.' It is very difficult to play, and one misstep can be disaster but I feel like it will work for me.

**Lill** - Is anybody going to be here for the challenge? I heard Dave was voted out last night. I guess he got 6 votes. Ouch!

**Andrew** - Yes, I will be here. It's an hour earlier than normal though, right?

**Lill** - Yeah. Probst still hasn't responded to my 2 requests for a schedule for this weekend.

**Andrew** - Would it be too much to ask to have Friday and Saturday off?

**Lill** - no. I'd take Sunday too. I'm going to be out of town this weekend. I'll find a hotspot so I can be here for whatever, but I'd REALLY like to know when it is... we have any shot at all at winning?

**Andrew** - I always think we have a shot, because we rock! Besides, you're here. Maybe we'll get real lucky and NONE of their people will show up and they'll forfeit. Hehe

**Lill** - I asked my partner if they could throw the challenge pretty please, but he laughed at me...

**Andrew** - Hey, at least your partner talks to you.

**Lill** - was your partner voted out?

**Andrew** - No, they've just been MIA.

*Andrew does not respond to Lill. Christa then signs on and switches the focus onto the next boot.*

**Lill** - Do you care if Fairplay or Osten get the boot? I think the few of us who came to play should be immune. I'd like to keep ryan for now, just because he'd owe us if we did. Leaving the other two. Osten at least apologized for not coming. Nothing from Fairplay that I've seen. What do you think?

**Christa** - Once again, I'm just trying to think the boot out as logically as possible. For one, I think Amanda MUST have thrown that challenge, which means her partner really WAS in danger. That means her partner was someone who felt threatened. Osten doesn't seem that threatened to me, and he's actually been on and responds to PMs. Fairplay, on the other hand, seemed to have been left out of the last boot, which probably means he thinks he's on the outside. That means if he stays in the game, he'll jump ship at the first chance he gets because he doesn't trust us. My PERSONAL opinion is that Fairplay is the better target, at least for now.

**Lill** - I don't think she threw it. I think she was a dumbass. How could she know her partner was in danger? I don't think anybody was really in danger. Did you hear anything about anybody feeling particularly threatened last time? Her throwing the challenge doesn't make any sense. Especially in light of how much hell she caught on the suspicion. Seems really paranoid to me. As for Fairplay, he'd be my first choice. Then Osten, Then Ryan if he doesn't get his act together.

**Christa** - The way I see it, if Amanda really DID throw the challenge, it would explain why Dave was voted out basically unanimously. She wouldn't throw a challenge unless she had backing. And Fairplay just seems kinda timid and judging by his topic on day 3, he seems nervous to be on this tribe.

*When Tijuana suggests that Ryan gets the boot, Christa vigorously defends him despite his not being around often just as she did with the first Tribal Council.*

**Christa** - Any thoughts on who we should vote off?

**Tijuana** - I think it should be Ryan. He's been pretty lucky that these past two challenges have not required full tribe involvement but it seems like he's made no effort to be here during challenges (or during our first TC). I'm open to other suggestions but at this point I think Ryan has shown that we can't count on him to be around for challenges.

**Christa** - He's said that he's had just horrible luck with his computer at this point. But at least he gives us notice for this sort of thing, and according to him, he should be back online by the next immunity challenge.

**Tijuana** - What are your thoughts then? Like I said, I'm pretty open to suggestions. If Ryan says he'll be around for the next challenge I'm willing to wait and see how he does.

**Christa** - Ryan may have missed every challenge/TC thus far, but he still shows up. He's just incapable of making it to challenges for the time being, which he says will be rectified shortly. He still spends a good chunk of time online earlier in the day. Fairplay is like Ryan, only he showed up for the first challenge and didn't really help us in any way. Since then, he's missed everything Ryan has. He's also much quieter, and I haven't actually spoken to him since the night of our first TC. I have a theory that Amanda is his partner, which is why she so blatantly threw the last challenge, because he thought he was in danger. He voted for you when the majority voted for Cindy, which means he probably thinks that he was left out (even though I sent him several PMs about it). That just makes it all the more risky to keep him around in the event of a swap or the merge.

*Despite asking Tijuana for her input, Christa ignores it and goes along with defending Ryan, what she wanted to do in the first place, anyway.*

**Christa** - I've been talking to Lill, and it's pretty obvious that we've got three basic choices. I'm personally thinking Fairplay, if only because he seems the most out of touch with the tribe, which makes him the easiest target to flip on us at the merge or a swap.

**Andrew** - Yeah I was thinking either him or Osten. Either one works for me. What does Tijuana think, or did she head out?

**Christa** - She was thinking Ryan, but I sent her a couple PMs, so hopefully she's on the same wavelength.

**Andrew** - Yeah, I'd rather keep Ryan around. I'm down for Fairplay if that's the 'play.' Just let me know for sure so we're all on the same wavelength.

**Christa** - Right now, Fairplay seems like the best choice. When was the last time he PMed you, anyway? My last time was back on day 2.

**Andrew** - He actually PM'ed me a day ago. I had just sent him a friendly hello PM. He was fishing hard for info though. To me him and Osten are interchangeable, so Fairplay going is just as well with me. I'm heading out now, but I'll catch up with you tomorrow. 😊

**Christa** - See ya, Andrew. Sleep tight. \*cuddles you in the shelter, all showmance-like\*

**ANDOA, DAY 5**

***Chicken finally makes his way back to the coop and has a lot of catching up to do with his tribe.***

**Chicken - CONFESSIONAL** - Not to be too hubristic but I feel I have the situation under control. I've explained that my absence was beyond my control and we can get serious about the business at hand. TC went pretty much as I'd envisaged; Dave's persona was his downfall and, while it would've been good to drag him around as a goat, he made his position untenable, as I foresaw the other day. As for the jokes, humour is a definite strategy to make myself more appealing to have around. Even if it's humour at my expense, it's all good.

**Chicken** - Hi there. Sorry about not being around. I've been having password issues. Turns out I was assigned a different password for the temple and for the Andoa forum!! So not only do you think I'm an angry ant, you think I'm old and senile too! No wonder you got a vote!!!! Anyway, are we still an item? Or do you think I have senility liability 😊 BTW, how did Dave try to change the vote? Look forward to getting some good Andoa numbers through to the merge.

**Courtney** - Here's what went down... At one point, Dave, me, Amanda, James, and Bri thought we were the only actives. We thought you were gone, Todd/PG of course were never here. So, we all agreed to protect each other... PG was going to be the first boot because we did get a Todd replacement. Then after the challenge, Dave was like, Amanda threw the challenge because she is working it with her partner. Amanda wanted to boot PG like we originally agreed. Dave was now totally wanting to boot Amanda. As I talked with other tribemates, we became more wary of Dave. He wouldn't let it go... so, he wanted an active out before an inactive. I tried to talk him out of it, but at that point, it was Dave vs. Amanda. Anyway, that's what led to the Dave boot. I know this is a big pm and perhaps others filled you in, but that's my take on it. I'm glad you made it back. I'm totally down working with you. And I seem to recall something like you, me, Amanda? We got PG as the easy boot next so we don't lose anymore actives.

**Chicken** - Thanks for filling me in. Sounds like it was your only course of action. Pity you had to do it, especially since he would've been a good shield because of the way he was making himself unpopular. I presume Todd was the sole PG vote. Yep, me, you and Amanda. Is she playing in another comp too?

**Courtney** - Yeah, Todd voted for PG. We all could have voted PG out, but Dave would have been left out of the loop and angry. Even if he wasn't loyal to his partner, he'd be mad once he found out he had no pull in this tribe. It had to be done, as you said. Dave's behavior... Bri spec'd his partner was Andrew or Lill and that it was just an act at challenges. Everyone has been showing up for challenges... I think it'd be best to let James take the lead this time. He did well at the puzzle.

**Chicken - CONFESSIONAL** - By 'situation' I was referring to the potentially volatile short-term situation of being on the outside (of the Andoa forum looking in). A bit like having died and watching loved ones go about their business unaware of my presence, despite furious banging on the window! However, I have multi-faceted plans for down the track. Amanda (especially) and Courtney think they're good at this and I've tried to neutralise them by forming a tight alliance with them. Nevertheless, I suspect I'll always be at the margin of that so I'm keeping my options open in other ways. One needs to be flexible in this game!

***Courtney asks James for his opinions on Chicken's return.***

**Courtney** - Chicken pmed me... seems like he had problems with his password. I did fill him in on our reasoning to boot Dave. He understood totally. That's about it. 😊

**James** - Yeah he finally PMed me too, and I did the same. He must be new around here. Nothing really going on, just me trying to find distractions from work. Ready to kick ass in the challenge tonight?

**Courtney** - Yeppers. Our tribe has been good about showing up for challenges. Hope it isn't anything timed... lag and all. Sometimes, I'm on here alone, and I can't even do a simple refresh. 😞 I wish Dave had left final words just for entertainment value, but I guess he knew he had egg on his face for abandoning the obvious PG boot and just left with his tall between his legs.

**James** - But that vote video was a neat touch. I appreciated that. 😊 Dave definitely should have given us something. But he was probably speechless...and probably never wants to talk to us again.

**Courtney** - I wonder if the person the other tribe booted was active or not. We were lucky to win that first challenge.

**James** - Very lucky. We should have been DQ! 😊 Luckily you were too quick for that. I think we were all just disoriented at the beginning. Now we're focused and we should be prepared for anything.

**Courtney** - Well... nothing going on here... so I'll see you at the Temple later. 😊

**James** - Looking forward to it baby. 😊

**James - CONFESSIONAL** - Well Courtney is definitely the most active gamer. But luckily she's on my side. Or is she? I think she probably sees me as her lapdog. And I'm fine with that perception. For now, Brianna and Todd don't ever initiate any PMs with me. They either don't like talking to me, or they don't like talking in general. I dunno what to make of it. Chicken needs to find his way over here. Jeez. Is he like some old geezer who can't handle a website with a link function? Amanda definitely has game. But if we really wanted to, we coulda got her out tonight. So she owes us big. If she turns on us I *will* be pissed. PG. I don't have anything bad to say about PG. I hope things always stay the same between us

**Chicken** - So, how do you see this panning out?

**Courtney** - Well, boot lists are dicy, if that's what you're referring to. PG/Todd remain cannon fodder. Then you/Amanda/Me would have the advantage over James/Bri.... The thing is, if there's a switch, we're going to have to rely on every member of this tribe to stay loyal. I'd rather us plan to win challenges rather than plan to boot everyone, you know? It's been such a quiet day. I hope we win the challenge.

**Chicken** - The switch is an interesting point. I think we should try to discuss it beforehand, and get everyone to agree to throw challenges if Andoa members are in the minority on the other tribe.

**Courtney** - That is something we should confirm with everyone. Where it gets even tougher though is someone, even if they make that agreement, may get switched onto a tribe with their partner... with could throw into question their loyalty. We actually helped the other tribe yesterday by booting Dave. We may have 'orphaned' a partner, thus that player has nothing else to do but be loyal to their side. That was the one big drawback, above all, I just thought of.

**Chicken** - Yeah, being in a tribe with one's partner certainly has the potential to divide loyalties but it's a numbers game, after all, and their partner is only one person, despite the allure of an HII. Safety in Andoa numbers, I say.

## TEMPLE, DAY 5

**Jeff Probst** - Cmon in guys.

**Tijuana** - comes ...in that is

**Lill** - Whatever it is, I volunteer Tijuana! (takes one giant step backwards)



**Tijuana** - I'll only volunteer if it involves massage and chocolate.

**Andrew** - What, my peeled grapes weren't enough?

**James** - \*pops beer cap off with teeth\*

**Lill** - I don't have any teeth... 😞

**Christa** - \*comes in, panting, throat burning, and ankle sore\* I made it!

**Lill** - Yay! We're saved!

**Jeff Probst** - Alright guys, today's challenge is called Damned, I'll explain the rules in a few seconds.

**Christa** - Damned? But that means Chicken has a natural advantage!

**Todd** - Something leads me to think Jeff is distracted.

**Lill** - The challenge is about the LAG, right?

**Brianna** - Can everyone just shut the fuck up? Ugh.

**Lill** - ok, you start!

**Brianna** - Stop thinking you're hilarious because you aren't. I have a headache, I don't need your whole tribe posting a whole bunch of bullshit about nothing right now thanks.

**James** - You're my kind of girl. <3

**Jeff Probst** - Okay guys this is an individual decision, but I will leave the lines of communications open.

Tonight's challenge is for Individual Immunity. The first person to post: Damned receives Individual Immunity.

But not so fast... there is a catch. If you claim Individual Immunity, you send your tribe to Tribal Council. However, if everyone on your tribe is unified and self-lessly playing for the tribe, then your entire tribe will be Immune.

In other words, if you claim Immunity, your tribe goes to council and the other tribe is immune. If everyone on your tribe remains self-less then your tribe earns immunity through default.

However, there is another rub... If after 1 hour no one claims Individual Immunity, both tribes will go to Tribal Council tomorrow and no one is immune. Hint the title: Damned... You are damned if you do, and damned if you don't.

**Jeff Probst** - You have until 9:18c to post Damned and claim individually immunity, single-handedly sending your tribe to tribal council.

**Courtney** - Made you look.

**Andrew** - So what is your favorite chocolate?

**Tijuana** - White chocolate 😊

**Lill** - I mean really! How rude it is for you guys to be posting unrelated crap. Don't you see how sensitive Brianna is to stuff that doesn't have anything to do with our challenge? Yeah, I know what you're thinking "well, boo-hoo for Brianna!" but really! She's a human being! She has feelings!!!

**James** - \*yawns\*

**Andrew** - Quiet down...Brianna has a headache.

**Brianna** - It was me!!!!!!!!!!!!

**Chicken** - Couldn't Probst have thought of a better dilemma? One involving dentists' drills and redback spiders?

**Lill** - Chicken, you were born for this challenge! You know you want to say it... Go, Man, Go!

**Jeff Probst** - We're winding down to the last 10 minutes. Just another reminder, if no one takes Individual Immunity then both tribes go to Tribal and no one is immune.

**Christa** - We understand perfectly, Jeff.

**Chicken** - I've got a special prize to the first Omurano member who can unscramble this word: DNAMED

**Christa** - It's either Demand or Madden.

**Jeff Probst** - Okay guys, CONGRATULATIONS... I think. You will both be going to council tomorrow. I guess you can find some solice in the fact that no one was selfish. 😊

**James** - Jeff we're ready to go tonight. 😊

**Christa** - I'm happy to see that Lill overcame her greed from last challenge 😊

**Amanda** - Yay. Good job everyone!

**Chicken** - DAMN!!!!

## ANDOA, NIGHT 5

**Courtney** - I see you bailed out from that challenge.

**Chicken** - I thought I'd have a bit of fun, damn it! Good wine helps!

**Courtney** -

*Courtney begins looking deeper into the future.*

**Courtney** - Things get disy after PG goes. Who gets 5th string status, Chicken or Todd? I am totally committed to you/Amanda/Bri... to me, that is the allaince. The other two are disposable... but we got to keep them loyal in a switch situation. One thing I just thought of, we 'orphaned' a partner by booting Dave, that person has nothing left to do but be loyal to the other side. Damn Dave, why couldn't he just be down with the plan to boot PG?

**James** - Yeah. Chicken has been coming to me, saying exactly what Dave told me earlier. That there's bound to be a merge...and whatever side has an Andoa majority should throw the challenges to keep our team intact. I dunno why those two are so certain there's gonna be a switch at some point. We have double TC tomorrow, we'd be down to 12 already. Only two more from the normal merge. Seems kinda quick. Anyway, between Chicken and Todd, I probably talk more to the Chicken man. Todd never seems to initiate anything with me. But then again...he hardly ever talks either.

**Courtney** - Chicken does have a longer record here than Todd and I have spoken to him more also. He also threw out the throw challenges in a switch if we got a majority to me. I'm starting to think the other side has more inactives. We got PG, I think they got two. So, if it gets to the point after PG is gone, we can get Chicken to vote for Todd and Todd to vote for Chicken, thus, no funny business can arise. Nothing should happen tomorrow. Everyone should agree that PG has to go. No one will pull a Dave.

**James** - So PG is toast for sure? Damn I was hoping her legacy would go on a little longer. Inactives </3

*The rest of the tribe agrees with the decision.*

**Todd** - Is it safe to assume we're voting PG?

**Courtney** - I think so... anyone who tried to build support for booting an active would be 'pulling a Dave', you know? The tribe needs to keep its actives and stay loyal.

**James** - So...is PG a goner? Or is anyone gonna be the next "Dave?"

**Amanda** - Haha, no I think PG should go. It's too bad our final two alliance will have to go to waste. 😊

**James** - Damn. She was my F2 partner too! Maybe next time. Or there could be an Outcast twist.

**James** - I guess everyone's agreed on PG? It almost feels like we're cheating with that one. 😊

**Chicken** - Yeah, this is your moment, man. You're finally going to see the back of her. I swear I'm not biting the apple this time.

**James** - She accused me of dropping the ball one too many times. It hurt my feelings. 😞

## OMURANO, NIGHT 5

**Christa** - It was a weird challenge. Anyway, we've been talking and it basically comes down to two names at tribal council tomorrow. Who do you think?

**Osten** - Fairplay?

**Christa** - That's who I was thinking too.

**Osten** - I mean its either Ryan or him IMO and Ryan said that he will be in the next challenge.

**Christa** - Exactly. Ryan & Fairplay have been absent to challenges and stuff about the same, but at least Ryan has given us plenty of notice before each one.

*Main Omurano schemers Christa and Lill decide upon their next victim.*

**Lill** - have you noticed that Fairplay is NEVER here before 11:30pm? nearly all of his posts are midnight - 3am...

**Christa** - I haven't noticed him much at all. He hasn't PMed me since the second day.

**Lill** - me neither. It's a done deal then?

**Christa** - Yup. \*shakes on it\*

**Lill** - great. Andrew and Osten said they were ok with that, too. I sent a message to TJ to see where she is. I hope Ryan gets his act together soon.

**Christa** - I'll send him a PM about it before I go to bed. Hopefully this vote is unanimous, unlike the last one.

**Lill** - That would be a plus. BTW I'm thinking that the other tribe is annoyed with me now. I'm going to have to be a lot more subdued in the next couple of challenges... BTW Saturday's challenge Jeff said it wasn't a "big deal." That's Jeffspeak for Tribe Swap... make sure you're wearing clean underwear.

**Christa** - Yeah, I expected as much.

*Meanwhile, Tijuana questions Christa's motives and wonders why she wants Ryan to stay in the game so badly.*

**Tijuana** - I'm not going to argue because honestly I don't think our tribe will be effected much by the loss of Fairplay, Ryan or Osten. However, I think it's almost grasping at straws to defend Ryan's lack of involvement vs Fairplay. I've actually seen Fairplay on the lurker bar a fair amount and I don't think stating that Ryan is on a lot during the day is a valid argument when most of our challenges are at night.

**Christa** - When do you see Fairplay on? 🤔 I haven't seen him in DAYS.

*Christa catches herself after she sends the message and knows that she is beginning to sound controlling. She sends another message to Tijuana to soften the blow.*

**Christa** - But yeah, I see exactly what you're saying. I mean, you're probably on when I'm sleeping and that's probably when Fairplay is on too, so it makes sense that we'd have different views of who shows up when. The main reasoning behind Fairplay is that he's just the least trustworthy of the three guys we have as options.

**Tijuana** - Honestly, I'm not going to be sad over any of those three leaving since none of them have really contributed much to the tribe, including the general atmosphere/vibe. I think you, me, Andrew and Lill all have a good rapport and that we are Omurano. It is definitely smart to think about merge and what will happen afterwards (especially with this partners twist)

**Christa** - Exactly. Let me ask you though...do you think I've been taking too much of a role as leader of this tribe? I really don't intend to look that way...but that's just how I always wind up looking.

**Tijuana** - I think you've been forced into the spotlight. It's pretty clear though that the role of leader isn't something you sought out. You had the good idea and sense to target Cindy and then you came up with the alphabet strategy in the IC so you've basically been responsible for some of this tribe's better moments. Guy whol realize being labeled as a leader can sometimes be a bad thing and cause for concern but I don't think you need to worry since you're surrounded by good people 😊.

**Tijuana - CONFESSIOAL** - I should note that Christa does seem concerned and worried about having the title of leader thrust upon her. I do think that I need to give this at least one more TC to see if she's a dictator or if she does actually listen and take suggestions. Hm, if things go in a completely different direction I'll be pretty shocked because I think it'd be pretty unnecessary. Of course, now you've made me paranoid. Thank you :p Of course, I do always think that there's a possibility that I could go and that people are lying to me but at the same time I think that for anyone on this tribe to blindside someone would just ultimately jeopardize their game, especially with the partners twist. There's definitely a time and a place for blindsiding but I don't think now is the appropriate time. Ultimately I see no reason why anyone would want to try to vote out anyone besides Fairplay

## ANDOA, DAY 6

**James** - I might not make it to TC tonight, so I guess I should leave a pre-vote for PG? Sound good?

**Amanda** - Sounds good to me. Later babe.

**Courtney** - Sounds good... simple and easy. 😊 I got worried when I saw the pm title... "Hey just a heads up"... I thought something insane was going down.

**Amanda** - How are you today, Bri? 😊

**Brianna** - Hey Amanda! I'm doing pretty well thanks, I'd love to stay and chat right now but I am extremely busy this Friday evening so I just came here to make sure that I pre-voted. It was for Peih Gee though so no changes I hope. Talk to you soon.

**Amanda** - Have a good night, doll!

**Courtney** - James and Bri already put in pre-votes for PG. ZZzzZZZZzzZZZZzzzzzzZZZZzzzz Won't have the entire crew for TC tonight and it won't even be a shocker.

**Amanda** - Yeah, but I'll be here. 😊

**Courtney** - So, only Bri and Todd are MIA thus far.

**Amanda** - Brianna told me she wouldn't be here and already voted for PG.

*Courtney and James turn from being frustrated to cynical.*

**Courtney** - Looks like it should be boring.... nothing going on here at all. ZZzzZZZZzzzzzz

**James** - How are we gonna fill a whole hour between the two of us? Speak our minds? Or should we ditch it too?

**Courtney** - Boy, I want to know if they'll even bother doing the flash this time. Who do you think is the target of the other tribe? Fairplay, Ryan? I need to go check the amount of posts at the temple to make a good guess.

**James** - It's a toss up between those two. I didn't even know there was Fairplay in the game until just now.

**Courtney** - Whoever played as Dave should have been moved to Fairplay. He could have done the character justice.

**James** - Hell, Dave should immediately move to PG. Just so he can get voted off again tonight. 😏

**Courtney** - Man, I wish TC would start...I can barely keep my eyes open.... 😞

**Chicken** - Normally, I'd say you have to go into a TC with your eyes open. Tonight you can go in with your eyes wide shut. Anyway, the night's just beginning, babe. You should see what I have planned!

**Courtney** - World Domination?

**Chicken** - Not planning on that without you! BTW, TC's started.

## ANDOA TRIBAL COUNCIL, NIGHT 6

**Jeff Probst** - Welcome Andoa, grab a seat

**Courtney** - 🗡️🤔

**Judd** - Because switching between the two tribes' forums is a bitch, it looks like I'm going to be tackling the questioning over here, while Probst takes Omurano. Ready to get started?

**Amanda** - Amanda has arrived.

**James** - Alright man. We get the tougher questions it looks like man.

**Judd** - Amanda, you received a vote at the previous Tribal Council. Could that be an indicator that you may be in danger tonight?

**Amanda** - Not really, I know it was Dave who voted for me and I now why. I think we've all agreed on what's going down tonight. 😊

**Judd** - James, what is your role over here at Andoa? Do you feel you play a particular part in this tribe, or are you just the strong, silent figure in the background?

**James** - I hope I'm not as silent as I appear. These people are my homeys man. I want to see this tribe succeed. I love talking to these people. And I hope they love talking with me too. 😊

**Judd** - Amanda, If Dave had a reason to target you, is it that much of a stretch to suspect there are other people who might also have a reason to go after you in the vote? Or was Dave that much of an anomaly?

**Amanda** - I think everyone remaining on this tribe is smart enough to realize that we have an inactive on our hands. Someone might want to go after me still I guess because of my challenge performance last time, but I think everyone understands it was a mistake.

**Judd** - Chicken, your tribe is here because no single individual felt vulnerable enough to claim individual immunity for their own safety. Regretting that now?

**Chicken** - The only person regretting that is PG. Also, I'd like to second what James is saying. He's fun to be around, even though he keeps thinking we should all be dead!

**Judd** - Courtney, from what I remember, you're one of the most consistently active members of this tribe. Is tonight's vote an opportunity for you to cut some of the loose weight and ditch a less active player?

**Courtney** - We all know an inactive in a switch would be a drag on any of us players who got saddled with PG. I recall her lurking the forum once the entire game. No posts, no pms that I know of. Bad casting.

**Judd** - The argument can also be made that an inactive is very useful to string along as a non-entity that poses no threat to one's game. Is it possible that anyone's considered such a game plan?

**Courtney** - Because that worked out so well for Traci stringing along Chet in Half-ASS. 😊

**Judd** - So I must assume, then, that the previous vote wasn't based on challenge ability. In that case, why was Dave sent home? Did you support that decision, James?

**James** - Dave was sent home because we all knew we couldn't trust him. Yeah I supported the decision. There was no reason for him to come after Amanda like that. 😞

**Judd** - Speaking of challenge performances, how confident are you that this tribe can prevail in future competitions? Your first win appears to have been a bit of a fluke, you were absolutely demolished in the second challenge, and you're now attending TC yet again. Can Andoa rebound?

**Amanda** - Absolutely. I think we're really a strong group, we just need another win to get our confidence going again.

**Courtney** - PG is no help to us in future challenges as an inactive. More actives give us more options. Something in the future may be tailor made for someone, you never know.

**Judd** - The same was true two days ago. Yet Peih Gee survived the previous Tribal Council. What's changed between then and now?

**Courtney** - Everyone knows why Dave was sent packing. We collectively had an agreement, inactives before actives. Dave abandons the agreement before the first TC and was trying to muscle people to vote out Amanda. 😞

**Judd** - Do you think Dave's departure taught this tribe a lesson about trying to mix up the boot order?

**Courtney** - I'd like to think it taught Dave a lesson. He was the one who went back on the agreement, not anyone else.

**Amanda** - Can we ask Judd questions if he ran out of things to ask us? 😊

**Chicken** - Dave's departure taught people a lesson about sleeping with too many partners at once.

**Judd** - Amanda, you were somewhat pushed into the spotlight with the Dave debacle. Do you feel comfortable having the attention drawn to you, or do you prefer to work in the shadows a bit more?

**Amanda** - I love attention! No, I actually don't. It made me quite uncomfortable, but it was my own doing by volunteering to be the lone person to do that specific part of the challenge. My question for Judd: Hows Margaret? 😊

**Judd** - Last I heard from her, she was cussing us out. I'm sure she's better now.

**Judd** - Let's talk about Omurano. Anyone here want to admit that there are players on the other tribe they aren't especially looking forward to getting to know later in the game? Who do you guys see as the biggest threat to Andoa's success as a tribe?

**Amanda** - I dislike Lill... a lot. She's a c\*nt. 😊

**Chicken** - The one thing I dislike about this tribe is that they never say what they really think. To answer your question, Judd, I'm not looking forward to meeting Lill. I think she's a real c\*nt.

**Courtney** - The most predominant members of that tribe seem to be Christa and Lill, going off of post count at the temple.

**Judd** - Amanda, Do you suspect Lill's a strong player, or just an obnoxious personality? Who do you like over at Omurano, and are looking forward to talking to at some point?

**Amanda** - I suspect she's a bit of both, actually. 😊 Um, I guess Christa and Tijuana seem cool. Our gang is much better, in my mind.

**Judd** - Alright, guys, I'm kind of stretching for questions now, and the votes have been tallied, so let's read them, shall we?

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Remember that the person voted off will have a few minutes to leave any final words ( 😞 ), and then they will make their journey to the Loser Lodge.

## OMURANO, DAY 6

**Fairplay** - I recommend the tribe vote me out. I'm at work during challenges and if what happened today is going to happen at every TC/IC, I'll be of no use to anyone. If you can spread this around that'd be great.

**Christa** - You're serious?

**Osten** - So were all voting for Fairplay? Lills really gunning for it. I think she already voted.

**Christa** - Yeah. Plus Fairplay sent me a PM where he said we should vote him out.

**Christa - CONFESSIONAL** - When I got online today, I was honestly not expecting to have received a PM from Fairplay. Yet there it was. He had responded to my earlier message. And the BEST part is that he basically asked me to vote him out. I mean, that makes things so much easier. If Fairplay physically ASKED to be voted out, then we can be unified as a tribe and I have a much lower chance of being voted out over him. Also, I've received a PM from Osten saying that LILL is adamant about voting Fairplay off, which could also work in my favor if people think she's controlling more than me.

**Christa** - Fairplay just made the decision a helluva lot easier. He sent me a PM this morning: "I recommend the tribe vote me out. I'm at work during challenges and if what happened today is going to happen at every TC/IC, I'll be of no use to anyone. If you can spread this around that'd be great."

**Tijuana** - yeah he sent me the same thing. I'm glad. It's nice that we don't have to suffer through any drama which should help to keep our tribe strong.

**Christa** - Well, like Jeff said, you won't really need to be online right away, so don't worry about making the challenge on time and definitely don't piss off your mom to do so.

## OMURANO TRIBAL COUNCIL, NIGHT 6

**Jeff Probst** - Welcome Omurano, grab a seat

**Osten** - "Takes the best seat in the house"

**Jeff Probst** - Andrew, After tonight the tribes will be even 6 on 6, is this a good thing or a bad thing?

**Andrew** - Since it makes everything neutral and a zero sum 'gain' I'd say it is a neutral thing.

**Jeff Probst** - Is anyone concerned with their partners being on the other tribe or has anyone used that to their advantage?

**Christa** - My partner told me about Dave's exit, but that's about it at this point in the game.

**Osten** - I for one am definitely concerned about partners being in the other tribe. It has a huge impact on the game. I mean, that's your ace in pocket. You have your partner with you in the merge, willing to work with you, it gives you a lot more options in the game. If your partners not in there, it's gonna be more difficult to swing someone to your side in the merge.

**Andrew** - I approve this post...in other words, I have nothing to add.

**Tijuana** - I use my partner to find out information but ultimately, my loyalty lies with the people on this tribe. All of our partners are busy forming bonds, as are we. How do you combine the bonds you make on your own tribe with the bonds your partner makes?

**Jeff Probst** - Christa, what are the tribe's strengths and weaknesses?

**Christa** - It's hard to tell the tribe's strengths and weaknesses, Jeff. We've only really had the one challenge thus far where a lot of us got to show our stuff. I think we're definitely a smart tribe though and we think things out strategically.

**Jeff Probst** - Osten, who are the tribe's weak links?

**Osten** - Who are the weak links...uuh...those who don't show up. I don't think it's right to base your vote on only challenge performance, because I don't think any of us have really stood out in the challenges in a negative way. I have only been in one of the challenges so that could make me a weak link. But yeah, those who haven't contributed.

**Jeff Probst** - Christa, are you worried that when the two tribes interact, whether it be a twist or merge, that some of your tribemates would opt for going with their partners over their tribe?

**Christa** - Personally, I don't think that people would abandon their original tribes for their partners because even if you and your partner might be tight, the OTHER members of the other tribe might see you as someone they would want to get rid of, and a partner is only one person. They don't have as much control as the majority of their tribe.

**Jeff Probst** - Tijuana, have you made close enough bonds in this tribe to counter the bond that you may or may not have with your partner?

**Tijuana** - My partner is my ex husband that I can't stand so yes. 😊 In all seriousness, my partner and I are definitely good friends but this is a game that only one person can win and right now I can't think of any logical reason for me to pick my partner over my own tribemates. Personally, I think it would be foolish to try to work out some sort of cross tribe alliance since in doing so you'd have to acknowledge who your partner is and that could make you a target. All you have to do is look at Big Brother and the numerous seasons where they've had people that were partnered up somehow - people do not like keeping partners together.

**Osten** - I just wanna say that this is a great tribe and I'm glad to be in it. I think we're a lot more unified than the other tribe as shown in the second immunity challenge where we worked together great, we had a game plan etc. After tonight, I don't think we are going to tribal council anymore before the merge "Initiates high-five gesture"

**Andrew** - \*returns high five\* YEAH BABY!!!!

**Tijuana** - high fives back\* I agree. We seem like a pretty drama less tribe and we all get along.

**Christa** - \*reaches back and high-fives Osten\*

**Tijuana** - This has been a pretty thrilling tribal council 😊

**Jeff Probst** - once the votes are read the decision is final the person voted off will be asked to leave the temple council area immediately, I'll read the votes.

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## OMURANO, DAY 7

*With an unusual time for Saturday's challenge, the tribes become suspicious of if there will even be a challenge.*



**Christa - CONFESSIONAL** - Right now, I'm thinking about the potential for a tribe swap tomorrow. At this point, I think I'm in a good position in my tribe. I could, of course, be wrong, but I'm trying to be optimistic.

**Christa** - Judging by Jeff's words, it seems like there's a possibility of there being a tribe swap tomorrow, or at least very soon. Because we have even numbers right now, we need to do everything possible to make sure that Omurano gets and keeps a majority in this game, otherwise they'll just pick us off easily. If necessary, we may even have to pick off our partners, for those of us who still have them in the game. But above all, we need to stick together. You with me? \*puts hand in\*

**Andrew** - \*puts hand in\* I'm with you...all in, whatever it takes!

**Osten** - "puts hands in" Im in. I agree completely. We need that majority sooo badly

**Lill** - Hand goes in. What's your strategy?

**Christa** - I think it's a good thing that we're unified as a tribe and we all have really contributed, because that means no one on OUR tribe has any reason to think we'd ever turn on them. Meanwhile, even though we don't know much about the other tribe's politics, we do know that Todd was absent for a good portion of the early game, which could either make him an easy target or an easy ally.

**Tijuana** - I'm definitely with you. I meant what I said at TC, this tribe comes first and I hope you and Andrew feel the same way. I have no problem with us using our partners as long as it benefits the three of us and if need be, I'd vote mine out. I'm not going to put my neck on the line for my partner.

**Tijuana - CONFESSIONAL** - Amanda I know I can trust just based on past experience (although we have played some mole games where she was the mole and the bitch did a good job of lying to me 😡). I'm fairly confident that Amanda will probably try her best to ensure my survival in this game...unfortunately for her I can't say that I'd do the same for her

**Ryan returns later that night and he puts more than just his hand in.**

**Ryan** - \*puts hand in, stroke's Christa's softly, realizes what he's doing, stops\* 😬😬

**Christa** - Gah! 😬Th-Thanks Ryan.

**Ryan** - S-s-sorry \*awkward geek grin\*

**Christa** - The nerd and the computer programmer, a match made in heaven...or Peru...you know, whatever.

**Ryan** - Too bad Ryan didn't come back in the outcast twist or it might have happened! Furthermore, we both had drug convictions on our record!

**Christa** - Really? So THAT'S why I'm called Christa Meth. I thought it was something to do with the fact that my voice sounds like I have a cold at all times.

**Ryan** - Nope, it's the drug convictions. Run away with me

**Christa** - \*swoons\* Anyway, are you on a good, stable internet connection now, or still at your grandma's?

**Ryan** - I'm still at Grandma's till either tomorrow or Monday 😬So win kay?

**Christa** - We will. Their tribe sucks, remember?

**Ryan** - Yup, imagine if they didn't vote out Peih Gee

**Ryan - CONFESSIONAL** - I really hope it is a swap actually, a swap that lands in our favor I mean. I'm pretty sure I am going to be home Sunday or Monday, so soon I will be able to contribute in challenges, however, if we end up with a switch that puts us with the numbers that'd be perfect because my vote would be needed, Christa has already PMed me to confirm this. This tribe is pretty tight, we have a good repertoire going and things seem alright. I don't really see anyone who is likely to

flip flop on us around here. I will not that if there's a switch in which the tribes were 3-3 and the other tribe was looking for someone to flip, I might agree to do it if it came with a promise of safety

**Christa** - You nervous for tonight? I sure am. We're SO close to the merge, I can almost taste it. Making the merge is my number 1 goal, followed by making the jury and making the final 2, and finally winning the whole thing. 😊

**Lill** - I'm always nervous about these things. I probably shouldn't have have pissed off the other tribe so much last time.... 😞

**Lill - CONFESSIONAL** - I'm sure I can weasel my way into whatever situation I find myself in. If I have to scramble, it's ok. I like that part of the game.

## ANDOA, DAY 7

### *Courtney and Amanda solidify their friendship.*

**Courtney** - I trust you the most, so... this partner thing. I'm sure everyone on the other tribe if asked would say their partner was PG or Dave. If asked here, everyone would say their partner was Cindy. That's just the way it is. Chista called out Bri the other night for losing her partner Cindy, but doesn't that look a little obvious? Now, you know I get paranoid, so I'm just speculating. I'm just trying to get to the 'next level' of game trust, you know? Until I can openly speculate partners with someone, I feel a little like I am alone in this game. I won't be lying to you if I said the prospects of someone snaking our tribe to join their partner doesn't scare the hell out of me. Get back to me. I'm just looking for a sounding board.

**Amanda** - Honestly, here's what I'm thinking on the matter. I want to remain loyal to you, James and Brianna (especially you, if I eventually have to turn on Brianna or even James, I'll come to terms with it) and I want to work with my partner if they are still around. I swear to you I won't ditch you for my partner. I seriously am a really trustworthy person, I have your back until the end, babe. <3

**Courtney** - Thanks for getting back to me and being honest. I don't want to insult your intelligence and clam by partner is an inactive or already booted. I will make you a deal. If my partner is really booted, I will reveal it. I will try to get my partner to flip to our side also. I have not made any final two promise with my partner. You are my number1.

**Amanda** - I am completely on the same page as you. Once me, you and my partner are on the same tribe I will let you know who they are, if that ends up happening. I don't have a final two alliance with my partner either, just an understanding that we'll help eachother out.

**Amanda - CONFESSIONAL** - I have to think down the line. I was actually considering telling Courtney who my partner was in exchange for learning who hers is and then agreeing for us four to work together if the opportunity presents itself, but I don't want anyone to know who my partner is just yet. I do think that my allies over here and their partners will work with me and Tijuana, but you never know. You have to think about now and how it will affect later. It's tough.

### *Courtney makes the same deal with James.*

**James** - So what do you think happens next? Will there be a switchup like people have been predicting?

**Courtney** - It would be the perfect time for a flip. We just got to hope people remain loyal. A twist is the moment we find out who really cares about this tribe.

**James** - Tell me about it. Let's hope nobody ditches us for their "partner." I wouldn't mind if it was the other way around though. 😊 We just have to be the tribe that sticks together.

**Courtney** - ... I don't want to insult your intelligence and claim my partner is inactive or already booted. That's just lame to pull that. Once we do start interacting with the other tribe, we need to start using the partner twist to our advantage. I am totally committed to you/Bri/Amanda. I have not made a final two agreement with my partner. If my partner is really booted, I will tell you. I will also try to flip my partner to our side. I think we need to start talking about this shit to get to the 'next level' of game trust. Its a tough issue, but we can't keep avoiding it. The prospect of someone snaking our tribe to join their partner scares the hell out of me. I won't lie.

**James** - I completely agree and I want to get to that next level with you just as much as you do. I'll be straight with ya. There's a good chance my partner will be a goner tonight. And if that's the case I'll have nothing left but to be loyal to yous guys. If there's some sort of switchup and my partner somehow survives, that's one more on our side right there. It will severely piss me off anyone of our group ditches us. I don't have any intentions of joining with those Orowhatever fools. They're pretty much dead to me. I'm glad we're on the same wavelength.

**James - CONFESSIONAL** - My plan pretty much comes down to winning the next few immunities. It's pretty simple really, the tribe with more members at the merge will probably pagong the other tribe. I want these people to know that James is loyal to them. Loyal to a fault. Like the real James. And my partner...I don't know how much I can do about his situation. He's survived one boot, so maybe lightning will hit twice. I ain't gonna throw any challenges to save him, if that's what he wants. If we meet up eventually, hell yeah I'll work with him. But at this point, there are too many factors I can't control. If he's got the goods, he'll make it.

**James** - do you think they'll shake things up somehow with a switch? Any preference on who's next if we lose? 😞

**Amanda** - I guess Todd. \*shrugs\* Let's hope it doesn't happen.

**James** - Yeah we really need an actual challenge so we can show them fools what we're made of.

**Amanda** - Let's PWN those bitches.

*Courtney makes sure all of her bases are covered before a potential mix up. She offers the same deal again, this time to Chicken.*

**Courtney** - Right before TC you mentioned something about a 'plan' you had cooking. Chicken cooking... mmm... sorry, haha. Was that a joke? You kind of left me hanging, you know? The anticipation is building.

**Chicken** - Totally agree. When you consider the number of things that can go wrong, the benefits of holding onto a partner on the other tribe are very small compared to the risks. One way of working around your fears is to get everyone to agree to throw challenges if there is a tribe swap. The people who refuse are the ones who feel they have most to gain from their partner. 😊

**Courtney** - I'll let you in on something. My partner was trying to get me to take that immunity during the challenge last night. Pissed me off. My partner wanted me to screw over this tribe to protect his. I was like, ummm, no buddy, why don't you take immunity to help me out?

**Chicken** - Thanks for sharing that. It just goes to show that whatever the perceived benefits, the risks of hoping for something good to come out of your partner aren't really justified.

**Courtney** - Certainly not. My partner hasn't offered me anything thus far, not even an agreement to help each other out. The thing is... even if say, you or I flipped to the other side, eventually the other side would boot the flipper to ensure he and that partner didn't get the immunity idol. There's

no game logic to the move. I must say, though, Todd has nothing to lose by flipping. He knows he's the low man. Someone here needs to make a side deal with him in case of a switch to keep him loyal.

**Chicken - CONFESSIONAL** - I think Amanda and Courtney, my two alliance partners have each other's interests at heart more than mine. The developments may actually be useful in turning things around. Pity about Fairplay but I have no control over that. One has to play with the hands that are dealt to me.

*Courtney reconvenes with Amanda and they discuss their future.*

**Amanda** - Seriously I don't trust Todd and Chicken as much as I hoped I'd be able to.

**Courtney** - Chicken seems to be all about throwing challenges to protect this tribe. Right now, I'd say I trust you and James the most. I wish Bri was on the more. It might get to the point we were need to reveal our partners to one another for our own protection. One flip to our side might not be enough if Chicken and Todd are loss canons. 😊

**Amanda** - Yeah, I know what you mean. As I told you before I'm willing to reveal it once we're on the same tribe as my partner, if they are still in the game.

**Courtney** - That is Chicken advocating throwing challenges in a swap. He never did respond to me asking about his 'plan'... maybe this is what his plan was referring to and I'm just stressing for no reason.

**Amanda** - Yeah, I do remember him mentioning before about the idea of throwing challenges on the tribe that we have the majority on.

## TEMPLE, DAY 7

**Jeff Probst** - Cmon in guys.

**Christa** - \*goes on in\*

**Lill** - coming on in...

**Andrew** - I'm here.

**Jeff Probst** - Okay guys drop your buffs, erm... avatars...

**Andrew** - Huh?

**Jeff Probst** - You are now one big tribe of 12, called Panoba which will always wear blue. The two tribes have officially merged into one. Congratulations.

Also, no challenge today, it'll be tomorrow, I'll change the temple mail now.

**Amanda** - Congrats on making the merge everyone.

**James** - Whew. Seems I've missed something big. 😊

**Andrew** - Yes, congrats on the merge everyone, and a hello to all!

**Brianna** - I love this avatar much better than my old one. Blue really is my color don't you think?

**Courtney** - hi guys.

**Ryan** - WTF! HI EVERYONE

*To be continued...*

*This season on Stranded in Peru: It's the most cut throat, dirty and downright ugly season of Stranded yet. Will the partners be revealed? Will they decide to stick together, or will best friends become worst enemies? What happens when the castaways have to decide between*

*their partners and their tribal loyalties? What happens when one castaway is offered the chance for Immunity in return for revealing their partnership? The game escalates to a level never before thought possible when one person becomes the most hated contestant in the game's history. All this and more to come as we join Andrew, Amanda, Brianna, Courtney, Chicken, Christa, Lill, James, Osten, Ryan, Tijuana and Todd as their new adventure begins with the Panoba tribe.*