

Episode 403: "Concerns of Loyalty and Fairness Don't Apply"



The Arena, Night 3

Rafe and Dave, the latest cast offs from Aruba and Peru, are now in the holding den at the arena awaiting their potential return to the game.

Jeff Probst - Tomorrow one of the two of you will be reentering the game. You will be put up as a "surprise reward" at the next immunity challenge. The tribe that wins will get to select one of you to reenter the game and become apart of their tribe. This means that whomever they chose will get an extra 4 days in this game at least to mingle in with a whole new group of people. The

person who is not selected will be the official second boot of All-stars. Hang tight until tomorrow when I announce the special reward and bring you in for the challenge. Have a good night.

Rafe - Gay sex in banishment cabin?

Dave - So Rafe, did you get blindsided too?

Rafe - Eh, not exactly. People told me it wasn't going to be me, but I kind of thought it would be. Was your TC super-dramatic?

Dave - Not really. It was supposed to be Christa. I should have listened to Lill.

Rafe - Heh. I love that my ex-tribe is already whining about only having two of them here. Good thing they kicked me off!

Jeff Probst - While you two wait... I have another surprise... There is a Hidden Immunity Idol up for grabs that no one knows about. If you find it before the challenge tomorrow, you may use it to ensure that you re-enter the game. However, after you use it, the idol is of no use. Also, should you find the idol and be re-banished, you can use it to save yourself from banishment. This means, that while you may have unwittingly been voted off not realizing you should have used the idol, you still have the opportunity to use it and guarantee yourself re-entry. I will instruct you in your confessionals on how to look and where to look. Good Luck.

Peru, Night 3

After returning from Tribal Council, the Peru tribe members are becoming more and more bitter towards the return of Lill.

Courtney - Boy, those votes were very mean. My confesional didn't even get read. "I trully regret it"...

Christa - Mine was mean because he was bullshitting me and basically became Lill 2.0.

Courtney - He was playing all sides. True true. Alliances mean shit if we keep losing. Plus, you are our best challenge player, so doing as Dave wanted would have been stupid. Grrrr... fucking Lill. This is why I'm glad I didn't vote for her in our season. At least she had to eat a little crow. She always overplays her hand and pulls all sorts of bullshit.

Christa - Yeah. I mean, I just didn't want her thinking we booted her because of what happened in Peru, 'cause if she goes in with that attitude, she can pass it off as not being her fault, and us just being jealous.

Courtney - Lill had to hve been informed of the twist after she was voted out, knowing her return to the game was likely. FUCK LILL! I try to stay postive, but this is fucking depressing.

Christa - She's gonna screw up again eventually. That's when she'll get taken out in the worst possible way.

Courtney - CONFESIONAL - So Lill is bragging she survived. Good job on those anti-cheating rules, Probst. FUCK YOU! Everytime, I've played, I've never cheated and I'm always on the crap side of your shit twists or your outright rigging. Meanwhile, cheaters benifit from your idocy. Then, you mock me for complaining about it. I feel like I got no shot in this game because the host is an idiot who's more interested in 'the drama' than protecting the integrity game. Is Colleen CollenLover? If so, I know she and Lill are together. We all know Colleen Lover is your pet, so that raises my spidey sense also. So, again, fuck you Probst and your arm twisting to get me to play this shit game. I didn't seek it out, but I don't feel like there's in any way a fair chance for me. Fuck the cheaters. Fuck the people you rig challenges to protect. We had that last square in the Battleship challenge. I want to know

what chance someone playing straight up has? I imagine slim to none. 🤔 I hope those people who run your server swindle you out of more chash. That's karma buddy for jerking around people like me who are trying to play fairly!

After raging about Lill's return, the Peruvians focus their attention on a possible Dave return.

Christa - Yeah, I'm pretty pissed about the fact that now Dave has a chance to get back into the game.

James - Dammit. I didn't think it would happen. I think Courtney was willing to risk it just for that reason. Sigh...if Dave makes it back in I may just puke. We better win the challenge and harvest whoever the Arubans auffed tonight.

Christa - I wonder who the Arubans voted off.

Aruba, Night 3

After taking out Rafe for personal reasons, Judd tries to justify his decision.

Judd - Just wanted to say I appreciate the leap of faith you put in me and our alliance tonight. I know you didn't want to do it, but you proved just how loyal you are to our group, and that's really nice to see. All that's left to do is ignore Bob and win some more challenges, neither of which should be too difficult.

Misty - Yeah. I know. It was in your personal best interest to take Rafe out and I think that weighed more on you than anything else. I'm concerned now about these twists and I hope you've got a handle on Bobby. By the way, Rafe's vote was surprising because I thought he wanted you out.

Judd - Yeah, me too, but I think he heard Melinda from enough people that he just went with what he thought was the majority. And in a way, it was about personal interests, but I think they coincided with the alliance's, in all honesty. BD was just as likely to screw any of us over. Rafe, however, was way more likely to screw me than BD was. So in my mind, Rafe was more of a threat to me, and by association, the alliance, than Bob was.

Misty questions the potential hidden agenda's behind the last Tribal Council.

Cirie - We're alive! We're alive! Woohoo! 🤩

Misty - And thank god. That last vote was tiring enough as it is. I don't think that much effort has been used in deciding how a first boot goes before. lol Seriously, that one was the best one for Judd I guess but you felt that strongly about Rafe too?

Cirie - To be honest, I didn't really have a preference between Rafe and Bob Dawg. I was more adamant about incorporating Melinda into our alliance, so she would stop stirring up trouble. You're absolutely right about Rafe's boot favoring Judd and Bob Dawg's boot favoring Shane and I. If I received your message a few hours before, I would have been down to change the vote. But, we were getting close to crunch time and I was content sticking with what we have already decided. If anything, our next boot would be fairly easy.

Misty and Bob Dawg find themselves on the outs within their tribe. Misty tries for a third time to see where she stands in the tribe.

Misty - Okay. Update time. Sorry about having to go through the last minute discussion but that was the only way I could see to keep everyone together. It was too risky to lose Judd because Cirie and Shane were too close to him and absolutely went with what he wanted, which was to lose Rafe.

Bob Dawg - It seems to be holding up. What I'm concerned about is how I might be used as a throw away vote at the next ZCouncil the way Rafe was. I've heard your name thrown around, but I think it's unlikely you'll go soon. Will you look out for my interests as well, since I am looking after yours (while no one else is)?

Misty - You heard my name thrown around huh? That's interesting. Who exactly feels I'm a threat to them or wants me gone? And why? I am looking out for your interests. Both of us are under the gun now and we don't have much options and I suspect one of the others might try to keep us against each other to maintain control. So it would be a good thing to maintain an illusion that we are not together at all so we know when they are telling us different things. That twist made things difficult for us but that's in the short term. Hopefully we can win some challenges and maneuver over that bump.

Bob Dawg - Judd felt you were a threat because you have won a game (I think), and your stellar Aruba game. And I agree with you in total. The person I didn't trust in this whole equation was Rafe, I wanted to boot Judd because I thought we couldn't depend on Rafe during a potential tie vote. And the drama with Melinda showing up late then suddenly forming plans will keep us safe for yet another round, if need be. Who shall be booted second from Aruba if we ever had to go?

Misty - You do realize Judd has won a game before right? So he's not in a position to make that kind of reasoning. lol I have to ask you who you feel the main connections in the tribe are? I know you think Shane and Cirie are together but do you think letting them stay together with Judd is a smart move?

Bob Dawg - I appreciate your concern for me (however tenuous it may be 😊), but I think you underestimate me sometimes. I have no loyalty to Shane or Cirie for the long term, and I've always said to boot Cirie ASAP. I know you don't completely trust me, but as I get to know you more, I think our train of thought is similar.

Bolivia, Day 4

Gretchen - I see Alicia got her panties out of a twist long enough to show up and insult us.

Rudy - What a bitch. How about manning up and confronting everyone head on instead of sniping us with snide insults. I'm so over Alicia.

Gretchen - seriously. I still can't figure out what her beef is, because I don't really recall interacting with her much. As I recall, Jerri was the major bitch from that team.

Rudy - hehehe I LOVED Jerri! Yeah she was the bitch, not Alicia. idk, I think we should just leave all that BB (Bolivia Business) in the past. Alicia's holding onto major drama that she shouldn't. If everyone's willing to leave that stuff in the past except her, then I look at it as her holding us back, and I won't allow that.

Gretchen - I completely, unequivocally, one hundred percent agree. Besides, if she's still all bent out of shape, there's no way in HELL she'll stick with Bolivia once we get to a merge or a swap.

Rudy - I sent Alicia a PM telling her to not leave me with you crazy people, so hopefully that'll give her some motivation to stick with us. But I'm not forgetting her behavior by any means. She better show up tonight and scream Bolivia Love as she's owning this IC... or else.

Gretchen - crazy people? WELL I OUGHTA SLICE OFF YOUR HEAD AND FEET IT TO THE RATS YOU PIECE OF OLD CRUSTY INFESTED CRAP!! (oops sorry - I was channeling Shane there for a second!) frankly, I'm surprised she's even shown up at all after pouting for days.

While Alicia is distancing herself from the tribe, Lill is trying to integrate.

Lill - So... what's going on behind the scenes here? Are there alliances brewing, and pecking orders being worked out? If there's a "loop" I'd like to be in it. 😊 Has there been much strategizing?

Gretchen - right now from what I can tell, the strategy is to vote out Alicia if we lose. Are you up for that?

Lill - I'm up to vote for anybody you say. As long as it ain't me!

Gretchen - haven't I been telling you since you got here that you were safe, Lill? With or without immunity?

Lill - Assuming Jeff keeps up the banished come back twist, we need some kind of method for dealing with it. If we go on an immunity run, we may pick up a lot of people. If we lose immunity, we need to vote out people in such a way as they won't actively go against us if they get respawned in another team. Maybe when if we get down in numbers to our core we all make a pact to get back together at the merge if we have to vote each other off. It's a weird twist. I don't want to do the limbo thing again.

Lill has brought the game with her in a big way.

Gretchen - Alicia could be picked up by another team if there's another "take someone back" twist - as pointed out by Lill, who, by the way, is really starting to push me for some kind of deal. Whether someone voted out of here gets picked back up again should make us carefully evaluate who we want to vote out. Though at this point, I'm still wanting Alicia gone regardless.

Kelly - well, we'll see tonight if the keeping booted players as a reward thing is still effect, either way Alicia would become more of a liability for the other tribes if they pick her, besides, what dirt does she have on us anyway?

Gretchen - agreed. we just might want to think about that if it continues.

Kelly - and about Lill, for now, let her come forward and make the deal, before we officialize it in the coming days.

Gretchen - has she been messaging you about it? Or do you want me to send her what she's been sending me? She keeps asking what's the game plan, who's tight, I wanna be a part, etc etc etc. If we pull her in, then mebbe she'll shut up about it already

Kelly - she just actually messaged me that she's asking you about the tribal dynamics, i told her we're all pretty equal. You know what, I think it's time, yeah let's take her in... remember that it's a final 5 deal with you, me, her, Colleen and Greg...and hint at her being very high up in the 5...don't give off that we are close to each other.

Gretchen - I think it's time too. I've been telling her the same thing - that it's been equal dynamically. Maybe we could let her think she's an F3? Even though we know otherwise.

Kelly - I already told Colleen that we are letting Lill in

Beneath Colleen's sweet personality lies a very intelligent player, and she begins to share some of that wit with her alliance.

Kelly - oi! heads up, we might be finalizing a little final 5 deal with Lill. Just letting you know. you, me, Gretch, Greg and Lill...for final 5. viva the Black Widow + Greg Brigade ^_^

Colleen - that sounds great. She (Lil) just asked me who the leaders are? And I said no one had to scheme yet and I don't know the past history (which is true) So make her feel as comfortable as possible -maybe even get her to bring me into your final five (you know, me and her not part of the original tribe) so she feels more like the one in control and calling the shots. Make sense? We're cool with Rudy though, right? I don't want him to get spooked. So hopefully we only lose one more challenge (max) before a swap, etc. high five!

Kelly - oh wow, that is brilliant actually, yeah let's do that! high five!

Colleen - I'll feel Lil out a little first when she asks me so I don't seem too anxious, and then indebted to her for looking out for me!! (awesome)

Kelly - okiedokie...that's brilliant, make her think she's running the show...that's just genius ^_^

Kelly - **CONFESSIOAL** - I would be most intimidated by Colleen, cause she's a free agent. She can walk all over us, she has that power. I've seen glimpses into how her mind works and damn...she's a strong player...people keep forgetting she's the only former winner this season. So I'm fairly glad that I'm in her good graces. If there's anything in my aggressiveness on day 1 could help me, it's getting close to Colleen.

Colleen is put in a dilemma when she discovers that her best friend, Rudy, is on the outside of the five-person alliance. Gretchen gives Colleen some advice on Rudy.

Gretchen - an addition to the group? you talked to kelly?

Colleen - yeah, but so far with Lil I'm just going the angle that I'm trying to figure you guys out since I didn't know anyone -and said so far everyone's been really nice to me and I didn't want to overplot too early. (which is true) why don't you keep talking with her and get her (Lil) to bring me into the group, and that way she feels she did something concrete. We can do this!!! Hi, by the way.

Gretchen - honestly, I've been telling her all along that with the exception of Alicia (and Sue) we're all pretty much on equal footing, so I think it will work out the way you suggest.

Colleen - awesome. And how are you with Rudy? So we're covered. So far with me, I've only been team, team, team -because I don't think anyone would buy me trying to line people up so early without knowing them all. Does he think he's with you, or others? Just so I know what to expect.

Gretchen - Rudy is actually the most dangerous for us, I think. He was loyal to a fault to Joel in Bolivia. I think he's thinking what we've been telling Lill: we're all on even footing. Hopefully, we get rid of Alicia, and the rest of us can stick together.

Colleen - right, so then Rudy has to feel secure or else he'll bolt.

Greg brings the game with him as he contemplates taking out his enemy, Rudy. Greg informs his ally Gretchen that he intends to be ruthless this season.

Greg - Why would Alicia agree to come back if she was gonna have this attitude? It doesn't make sense. I think she may be up to some hanky-panky. If she attempts to antagonize you, me and kelly tonight --- maybe we might consider voting out Rudy because she probably is being a distraction on purpose. It is JUST a thought -- but like I said; if you leave Rudy alone he just gets stronger and stronger.

Gretchen - I'm certainly open to that. never hurts to keep your options open. Though if Rudy shows up and helps us win, I'd hate to let him go just because Alicia is being a douche.

Greg - I know, but this is All Stars now and we gotta eat or be eaten --- the regular season concerns of loyalty and fairness don't apply and everyone already knows that -- everyone wants to win or we wouldn't be here. That's just my thinking.

Immunity Challenge, Day 4

Jeff Probst - Cmon in guys and We'll start the challenge shortly, as always I'll need 3 leaders.

Kelly - woot!

Judd - Yay, challenge time! I just wish our tribe had more representatives here. 🤔

Kelly - it's ok Judd, I'm here 😊😊

Christa - I'll lead for my tribe again.

Kelly - I'm leading for mine too

Jeff Probst - Christa and Kelly, familiar faces to the challenge arena. And Aruba?

Bob Dawg - I'm the leader for Aruba, Jeff. btw, you should probably set a closing time for the polls so that there's a time that we all can come back and check to see what time the next IC is.

Courtney - That would require, you know, actual foresight and planning.

Judd - <3 Bitchy

Jeff Probst - Alright! Okay guys today's challenge is one that gave all of you a headache the last season. It's one of the hardest unscramblings ever because the terms are either proper nouns or in a different language, so auto-unscramblers wont help you. Today I've taken 10 terms from Bolivian, Aruban and Peruvian history. It is your job to unscramble as many of the words as possible. If/once you have unscrambled them, they will help you in solving the phrase at the bottom of the puzzle. The first tribe to solve all the words correctly wins. If you feel confident enough to beat the other tribes, turn it in early. Either the tribe who finds the most words or the tribe that finishes earliest wins. We will end the challenge at 8:00c that is when all submissions are final. Everyone clear?

Shane - FUCK THE PEOPLE WHO WANTED THE CHALLENGE EARLY, SHANE COULD OF MADE IT IF IT WERE 9!

After all tribes have finished, Jeff Probst reads the results.

Jeff Probst - Okay, we're going to do this as follows. First I will post who answered in order of time. Slowest to Quickest. Then I will post how many answers you ATTEMPTED Then I will post the winner based on their time and correct answers. Clear? So don't get excited after the first two.

Jeff Probst - In order from Slowest to Quickest: Aruba, you posted your answers at 7:57. Peru, you posted your answers at 7:47. Bolivia, you posted your answers at 7:46. Very close there guys.

Judd - If they posted their answers that early, they must have finished it. 🤔

Gretchen - wow 🤔

Jeff Probst - In order of who attempted the most answers: Aruba, you attempted a total of 8 answers plus the final phrase. Bolivia, you attempted a total of 9 answers plus the final phrase. Peru, you attempted a total of 10 answers plus the final phrase. Peru, as you were the only tribe to attempt all 10 answers plus the final phrase... if you answered them all correctly you will win Immunity. Peru, if you get so much as 1 wrong, Immunity will go to Bolivia seeing as all of their 9 answers were correct.

Judd - Damn.

Rudy - VERY close!

Lill - quaking in my boots

Jeff Probst - Congratulations Peru, You have won your first Immunity Challenge. All 10 answers were correct.

Christa - YESSSSSS!

Kelly - damnit

Colleen - good job, peru.

Christa - Why does Colleen look like she has devil horns?

Courtney - Christa 🤔

Jeff Probst - Now, as you know, along with winning Immunity you have a very important decision to make. We will bring in Rafe and Dave now, Dave voted off of Peru last night and Rafe voted off of Aruba last night.

They will plead their case to you, Peru, and then Christa will post the final decision as to whom you'd like to make an official tribe member and who will be immune for another 4 days (as long as peru is immune). I want no talking to either Rafe or Dave while this is in progress or you will incur a penalty. Clear?

Shane - SHANE WILL SAY THIS. RAFE IS A CLASS ACT, AND GOOD GUY, HE DID NOTHING TO GET VOTED OFF, SHANE CAN'T SAY ANYTHING BAD ABOUT HIM.

Jeff Probst - Okay Dave is not here to respond but now Rafe can post his plea. Please no one address Rafe.

Rafe - Here's why you should pick me: 1) I'm not Dave. 2) As anyone who played with me last time knows, I am more than happy to turn on the people who voted me out. So, even if you just vote me off next time, at least you can get information from me that you couldn't get from Dave. Pick me!

Christa - Yeah, we're picking Rafe. No question about it.

Shane - DAVE : VOTED OUT SECOND, AGAIN. THAT FUCKBAG.

Rafe - Yeah, that Rafe sure is a sexy bitch.

Jeff Probst - Okay Rafe, Welcome back to the game and your new tribemembers on Peru.

Dave, sorry, you were entertaining once again, thank you for playing.

Rudy - hahahahaha at Dave. Too bad for him. And GO RAFE!!!! You deserve a second chance after the way you were treated in Aruba!! 🙌🤔🙌 How many votes did you receive? Lol

Jeff Probst - See Bolivia and Aruba tomorrow at Tribal Council. Rafe and Peru, enjoy the day off.

Peru, Night 4

Courtney can't get past the baggage she has surrounding Lill and Jeff Probst.

Courtney - I want Lill out of this game!

Ryan - Isn't she immune 🤔 Where is the rest of our tribe?

Courtney - Why the fuck would she be immune? Those tribes lost!

Ryan - No I believe the "chosen" player is immune.

Courtney - That's lame. More twists by Probst to protect a cheater. It's so obvious she is fucking talking to all sorts of people off board.

Ryan - Why does Probst want to protect her anyway?

Courtney - Its like, if I wanted to cheat, I'd just shoot you an AIM very easiler. I haven't done that shit. That's what pisses me off about Lill. We know for a fact she's contacted three people... at least. Probst yawns.

Ryan - And he pretends to be all super worried about the rules, but when someone who he wants in the game gets hit with them... bullshit occurs.

Courtney - If Lill outlasts me because she's making out of game alliances, I will be sooo pissed.

Courtney - CONFESSIONAL - There is enough 'strange' things going on here already to make me wonder if this game is rigged. It doesn't even matter all that much to me whether this is a case of a challenge being fixed or simply some terrible decisions by a stupid host. Either way the outcome is the same. And what's ate at me the most over playing in these games isn't so much the feeling that I've been robbed (though that's a pretty hard thing to get over for someone getting repeatedly burned) it's the perception that complaining about it made me a whiner and a poor loser or someone just out to torment you for no reason, Probst. It's the gradually increasing lack of respect for player who never sought this out. You've armtwisted me to play everytime. I am more close than ever to quitting this game than I ever have been in the past.

Courtney is the first to welcome Rafe to the tribe.

Courtney - RAPE!!!!

Rafe - Hi! I'm glad you guys won, I was hoping you'd pick me!

Courtney - Well, I would expect the other tribes would have laughed at us had we picked osmeone we voted out. It was a no brainer. We needed a win. It was pretty demoralziing over here the last day or so. Everyone basically took today off til the challenge to decompress. Losing that battlship challenge was really a kick to the gut.

Rafe - Yeah, it sucks losing multiple challenges in a row. I figured there wasn't much of a chance for Aruba, so then I was hoping for you guys over Bolivia, just because you seem more fun.

Courtney - Anywho, what kind of dirt do you have on your old tribe? Why do you think Judd wanted us to go to TC the other night?

Rafe - Unless I missed something, it was just because you guys appeared to start the "gang up on Aruba" plan, and you guys were considered the much stronger tribe. We figured Bolivia was a fucking mess anyways and that you were the main competition. I imagine that one of two things is happening with my old tribe now that I'm gone. There's either going to be a bit of a power struggle between Judd/Misty/Melinda trying to pick each other off, or the three of them will join up and take out the other three because they can't make a decision.

When Christa welcomes Rafe, he takes the opportunity to pinpoint Judd as the main decision maker and threat on Aruba.

Christa - You're not an Aruban anymore. You're a Peruvian. We're happy to have you. So welcome aboard.

Rafe - It was going to be a close vote, but then Misty chickened out and we didn't have the votes without her. It sucked. And thanks for the welcome!

Christa - That sucks. Granted, I like Judd. He was really nice when he asked me questions in my confessional during Peru. Did he tell you guys about us?

Rafe - I like Judd too. I just don't trust him, lol. He didn't tell us much about you guys at all. I don't know if he only told some people and not me because he was plotting against me or something,

or if he didn't want to tell us much in case of a swap/merge with you guys, so that he would have the upper hand.

Christa - And yet they...DIDN'T vote for him...WTF Aruba?

Rafe - I'm telling you, I don't know what it is about him, but people just want to trust Judd, lol. I think last time almost everyone who got voted out had some kind of alliance with him, and yet everyone still convinced themselves that their alliance with him was the one he was being honest with. It's crazy! I think he has some mind control powers or something.

Courtney and James discuss the state of their tribe and discuss replacing their ally.

Courtney - Dave wanting to take out Christa = epic fail. We would really be a dead tribe right now without her.

James - Exactomundo. Christa is teh pwnage. So...what happens at the next IC...

Courtney - Honestly, James... if we do go to the next TC, we can't boot Christa. Hopefully Amanda returns. I hope she hasn't quit. 🤔 Man, our tribe is in such a bad spot right now. Ryan is limited. Amanda is MIA. And sounds like Judd controls the other tribe according to Rafe.

James - Hmmmm I hope we don't lose. But...its not good odds. We'll be going back to TC sooner or later. Christa can't go I agree. Ryan was bugging the hell outta me during the challenge. 🤔 But Amanda wasn't there at all...

Courtney - If we could get Rafe on our side ... we could lose one of Amanda or Ryan in return. It just depends. If Amanda returns, I'd say the obvious boot would be Ryan for reason put forth by me the other day. Of course, we got a round to not worry about this shit.

James - Amanda getting "replaced" by Rafe... 🤔 This game is teh funky. I do think he probably has more to offer...dunno about his challenge skillz tho. I hate this outcast twist bizz. So what? There's gonna be like...18 Outcasts or more? And some people might get RE-outcasted?

Courtney - The worst luck was Susan being inactive.

James - I mean this twist is creative I guess and forces new and exciting relationships... But Bolivia will set the precedence. If they vote Lill out, it's gonna devolve into "tribe gets free boot." Yawn.

Courtney - They'd be fools to keep Lill. She's a greedy backstabber who will look out for herself. The only reason to keep Lill is if one faction gets greedy.

James - I dunno how I feel about Lill and her continued existence in this game. I doubt she'd ever want to work with any of us again.

Bolivia, Night 4

As it was planned, Colleen makes Lill feel comfortable as a fellow "outsider."

Colleen - You feel safe, right? I haven't heard anything bad about you and everyone seems really happy. I know I'm voting for Alicia tomorrow. I'll let you know if I hear anything contrary.

Lill - I'm safe, I think. I'm voting for Alicia too. She was here this morning, but nothing for like 3 days before, and nothing since. Gretchen said she's voting for her as well. I'll confirm with Kelly, Greg, and Rudy, but I think that's the general consensus.

Colleen - I just confirmed with Rudy -and then if down the line I get voted out, with this projected outcast twist, I could come back and reteam up. Oh, so remember we can't piss off anyone we vote out or it could bite us in the ass.

Unaware that his ally has an alliance with the other members of the tribe, Rudy rats out the alliance Gretchen offered him. Colleen is put in a tough predicament, telling her friend the truth or saving herself in a tribe full of people she has never met.

Rudy - Gretchen just offered me 4-person alliance of Kelly/Greg/Gretchen/Rudy. I accepted under the pretense that the Bolivians must stick together. 😊 I'll give you more info as she gives me more.

Colleen - got it. no problem. we'll compare notes later. And always better to have others think they're in control. I'm going to vote for Alicia -I think it's the best option. I'm not missing anything, hopefully.

Rudy - Yeah I'm pretty sure Alicia will be the one going.

Colleen - also, if down the line we don't swap and this outcast thing keeps happening, I have a 50/50 of getting back in the game and can always reteam up. I'll keep tabs on what gretchen offers me, or if greg does, or kelly.

Rudy - ok good thing. But, I don't want to risk you over a 50/50!!!! rofl Because if you're not chosen, you don't get another chance. Don't worry, there's no way I'm going to willingly let you be voted off under any circumstances.

Colleen - same here. If I get the same offer, I'm saying yes to it, and then we can figure out from there. If everyone else thinks they're in control then we can shape things from opposite ends. I'm pretty sure I'll get some offer from Kelly or Gretchen. And Lil says she'll watch out for me. So of course I'll say yes to that. I won't make any end game deals though right now with them because I'll say I don't want to stick you guys with me if I don't pull my weight. And if they say anything about you I'll say Rudy should be made to feel secure.

Rudy - ok good deal. You're a smart gal!!!

Colleen - **CONFESSIOAL** - In terms of being secure, I think I'm doing okay -gretchen offered me the final four with kelly and greg, and then kelly confirmed it. On the other hand, I think I trust Rudy beyond everything else -but I'm dumb to overly trust anyone -but we think similarly and that's what I need. So I personally really want Rudy to stay in this thing- you know it's going to get mixed up and I don't want to be isolated from anyone. I told Gretchen to make Rudy feel he's part of her final four and I'm the tag-along and she did, and then Rudy confirmed it to me. So I think that's a big step in my trusting him -in fact, I'm the heel since I haven't told him about gretchen's proposed final four to me. Most likely I will, but not yet, I don't want to get burned if I don't have to.

Colleen informs her main alliance with Kelly, Greg, and Gretchen of her discussions.

Colleen - I told Lil I'm voting for Alicia -and she said she'd look out for me! so, that's progress. Phase one complete.

Kelly - hehe yeah...there's a chance I might not make it to tribal tomorrow, so I already pre-voted for Alicia

Colleen - cool, and I asked Rudy and Lil too, "I should vote Alicia, right?" Let's always try to go to other people for them to make the decisions -even when we already know them. Sucks tonight about that challenge. But maybe it's a blessing in disguise -Alicia would have sold us out anyway, and now we don't look as strong.

Colleen - Okay, did my duty -talked first with Rudy and then Lil -asking them both who to vote for, "Alicia, right?" and both said yes right away. So I think we're good with them feeling secure. Sucks about the challenge. Oh, and yeah -I'm voting for Alicia no doubt.

Gretchen - that's what I'll count on - but unless we totally crap out and lose a bunch in a row, all of us should be safe. Though this bringing people back each time is really going to put off a merge. Me no likey.

Colleen - CONFSSIONAL - I really want to stay intact, and I'm more afraid of Rudy leaving next -even over Lil. So I'm hoping we don't lose another tc or it will get messy. I just don't want it to get messy within our group before a switch.

Aruba, Night 4

It's another disappointing loss for the Aruba tribe.

Judd - CONFSSIONAL - So last night proved to be relatively uneventful, with an easy unanimous vote. Not the kind of Tribal Council I particularly enjoy, but things went the way I wanted them to go, and that's really all that matters. Misty spent the hour before Tribal Council pushing *hard* to boot Bob Dawg, forcing me to push back. Ultimately, I won out, and my boot ended up being the tribe's boot. Part of it was the fact that I had put more time and energy into ensuring Rafe would go, having been working toward that goal for a while now. Part of it was that I was spending the whole time weaving between players, making them think what I wanted them to think and ensuring that nothing bad could happen. In the end, Rafe got his walking papers, and I got my revenge. Quite the satisfying first boot, to be honest, since he didn't deserve to be here in the first place.

Judd - I so did not want to be going to TC again so early. I was hoping we'd be another Caquetios, not another Arawak. 🙄

Cirie - Yeah, I'm sorry that I wasn't more help during the immunity challenge. I was not very happy w/ the results. As of now, we are the tribe w/ the biggest disadvantage. We have been unsuccessful in booting any player from this game. Aruba and Peru have both lost dead weight, but we've only alienated Rafe.

Shane focuses less on the challenge and more on the game.

Shane - SHANE IS ASSUMING THAT IT IS A NO-BRAINER IN VOTING OFF BOB DAWG TOMORROW?

Judd - Yup, gonna have to be, I think. Unless you have some diabolical plot in mind to take out Melinda or something, but that would be pretty major. If you trust Cirie and we can be confident that she won't side with the girls at the next TC, then we don't need Bobby.

Shane - SHANE DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT TRUSTING BOB DAWG. HE IS UNWORKABLE WITH. HE REALLY IS. I TRUST CIRIE THAT IF IT CAME TO IT, SHE WOULD COME WITH US. I GUESS BOB DAWG IT IS, CANT SEE IT ANY OTHER WAY.

Judd - Okay, I agree that working with Bob Dawg is like making a deal with the devil, and I'd really prefer not to do anything that involves his vote. I guess we put our faith in Cirie and hope she pulls through for us. And damn, let's win some more challenges.

Shane - FUCK YEAH, IF WE WIN TOMOROW WE CAN BRING IN BOB DAWG, OR PROBABLY LILL, AND THEY WOULD BE THE NEXT VOTE OFF, UNLESS JUDD CAN WORK MAGIC AND GET MELINDA OFF OR SOMETHING. IT WAS HUGE THAT WE GOT RAFE OFF LAST TIME.

Misty and Cirie become wary of Judd and Shane, and solidify their bond.

Misty - Shane just asked if Melinda is the next to go since she came in late and I told him that's fair but we can't afford to lose anymore. It would not be good to lose her considering but we're going to be pissing someone off anyway you look at it.

Cirie - Yeah, Judd and Shane are both approaching me too and locking up the final four agreement. It's good for those two to look ahead, but I'm hoping their proposed situation never comes to a reality. If this tribe is down to four, we might need to pack our bags and just leave.

Misty - I know. That situation might not be that great for me and you in particular. And hopefully it's not something we have to deal with. Nice to know we're not getting any of the benefits of winning a challenge while Peru and Boliva are.

Cirie - Yeah, if we have to go to a tribal council at the final five, the pressure will be on us. But, you have my word that I consider you to be my number #1 ally and I plan for us two to stick together no matter.

Misty updates Melinda on all that she has missed.

Misty - Hope you check back again tonight. Judd said you already checked with him that the next vote is Bobby. Unfortunately, Shane brought up wanting you out next because you were in last and I had to agree it was fair. Really could not say anything else. You know how he is... Cirie's still obviously playing the sides and there's no way we can do anything at this point. We just cannot afford to lose another one or both of us are fucked completely if she picks Judd and Shane's side.

Melinda - Yep, we really can't do a whole lot more than that with the position we are in... I am really hard core trying to get on Cirie's side... do you think Judd is aware how close you and I are? Because if anyone was to figure that out, i would think it would be him. Part of me wants for you and I to force the tie... if those 3 are voting for Bobby, what damage will it do for you and I to vote for Judd if Bobby is leaning towards him to us? As long as noone knows about it, no matter what we're on the outs here when it gets down to five, unless of course we can get Judd or Cirie out.

Misty - You know, the good thing about playing with good players is that it's actually not that hard to figure out what they're thinking strategically. We might not be doing great but we know where people stand. Bobby is the complete opposite of that and I'm pretty sure he will still try to go for you in the vote because he thinks he has alliances with everyone so there's no way to force a tie. If we throw our votes, it pretty much gurantees both of us are out one after another. There's still a hope Cirie might side with you otherwise. I know it's not much but it's worth keeping up ties with Judd and Shane if we win the next challenge. And there's sure to be other twists that will involve us having to keep that up for as long as possible.

Melinda - Yeah I know, it will never work out because it is Bob Dawg... that is why I really wish we could have kept Rafe around... ah, well...

Misty - Why else did you think I was trying so hard to keep Rafe? Ship has sailed unfortunately and they did plan it out very well to make sure it went that way.

Melinda - **CONFESSIOAL** - Well, that tribal council was fun... not. Ugh, there was absolutely nothing I could do about it and that is frustrating. I did do everything I could

reasonably do to try and make the vote Judd... and I really think it might have been possible had Misty been willing to go out on a limb for me... that's all it was missing was her support, and it is unfortunate that now I find myself in this position- For the time being I am forced to suck up to Judd, Cirie, and Shane because I absolutely have no other options. Yay, Melinda gets to be the underdog again! But now I am an underdog who isn't hiding in anyone's shadows. I'm proud of the fact that I am going balls to the wall in this game and not letting others dictate what I do.

Peru, Day 5

Courtney asks the newest tribe member, Rafe, to be apart of their alliance in the place of her former closest ally, Amanda.

Courtney - I want to be honest... I don't want you simply as cannon fodder, I just want to know if you want to roll with us long term? It's kind of scary to reach out to a new player, not really knowing much about you, yuo know? But I feel like we need all the help we can get.

Rafe - I don't know anything about you guys either, but one my tribe burns me, I'm done. So they're all dead to me. I would definitely like to stick with you guys!

Courtney - Here it is Rafe... Amanda is MIA and we don't think her heart is in it. So, if we go to tribal, that's who'd be vote for... if we win immunity, we get to feed get a new member, which would be even better! I think you are trustworthy, and this is what I wanted, to interact with other seasons. I know you'll make a good ally. 😊

After offering the deal to Rafe, Courtney informs the alliance members of her decision to replace her friend Amanda with Rafe for the betterment of their game.

Courtney - One thing I pitched to James was you, me, him, and Rafe as a "Core Four"... I love Amanda, I really do, but if her heart isn't in the game, maybe she should be the boot at a later date? Both you and James have brought her name up this evening. It is logical. And we'd still have Ryan as the loyal-guy-with-limited access.

Christa - Yeah. I basically agree with that entire message. Rafe seems trustworthy so we can hopefully keep him on our side. Amanda...I don't know what's going on with her. She's barely ever on. I mean, we were actually talking this time around and I liked it, but she's rarely online. And as for Ryan, he basically WILL vote however James tells him to, and if you, me and James are allied, then we're basically safe with Ryan on our side.

Christa - CONFESSIONAL - I always liked Courtney the most out of any of the Andoans, because she was funny when she was bitchy, and I could tell that she was a fierce competitor. While I might have to make a big decision the next next time we go to tribal council, I'm fairly certain that we're locked and loaded in terms of who's next to go. I mean, I talked to Courtney and I think I managed to convince her that booting Amanda is our best move.

Courtney - I talked it over with Christa. The pros of keeping Rafe outweigh the negative, big time.

James - I think so too. Hopefully he is persuasive enough to get some Arubans to jump if it ever comes down to it.

Courtney - What a difference a day makes. This game is finally actually, fun, you know? 😊

James - Alol that's the difference between winning and losing. All hail the legend that is Rafe.

After deciding to get rid of their friend and ally for inactivity, Amanda herself shows up right on queue complicating everything.

Amanda - Yay we won! If Lil goes its a miracle! Good job, seriously. 🥰 Sorry I couldn't be here, Thursdays are not good for me at all. You guys ROCK MY WORLD.

Courtney - No worries, girl! Maybe this is the start of something good for us. Maybe we'll get on a winning streak.

Amanda - Yay! 😊 I'm so proud of you guys, is Rafe active?

Courtney - He was here this evening, but he told us he's goin to visit his nephew this weekend.

Courtney - hmm... here's Amanda... we plan her boot, and five minutes later she returns. Hopefully, we win next immunity. 🙏

James - It's depressing like that. But...hopefully it doesn't come down to it.

Courtney - Yep. Keeping Rafe and Amanda would be having our cake and eating it too.... thankfully we do have a bit of a buffer having won tonight. I do think on the whole the plan we worked out is the best for us long term.

Courtney fills Ryan in on the current plan.

Courtney - btw, it was sort of decided for the time being... Amanda has been MIA... for the betterment of this tribe, Rafe opens up more possibilities for us come the merge, so it looks like we got him to leave a pre-vote for Amanda. Of course, if we change our minds, Rafe is only one vote, so its all good.

Ryan - I was kinda hoping the later. But yeah, I agree Amanda makes the most sense right now.

Courtney - Obviously, then, it'd be me,you,christa,james to the end then, ideally... if things break our way. I told Christa, Judd will probably make a play to flip Rafe back at the merge. I doubt Rafe would do that. I doubt Judd would join us. Seems like he controls that other tribe, so I think its important we get Judd out of the game.

Ryan - I agree Judd needs to go ASAP.

With Courtney leading all of the conversations in Peru, James and Christa discuss.

James - So Courtney has offered her pledge of alleginace to our "Peru tribe." I mean I told her I was totally down with our group and I am. I'm hoping someone from our season wins this game.

Christa - Yeah. I really like Courtney. I mean, she may not be in with you, me, and Ryan, but I'd really like to keep her around as long as possible, because I've been thinking that if we blindside her, then we'd be no better than Lill, which is ick.

James - Courtney's a smart one. I think she senses where things really stand, when I didn't seem concerned at all with the prospect of "letting Amanda go" if it came down to it. But I agree, I <3 her, even if she's slightly crazy in how serious she takes these games.

Christa - The way she explained it to me, it seemed like she said you were overly concerned with Amanda being booted. But no, she hasn't mentioned anything to me about a four-two deal.

Bolivia, Day 5

The players chosen to return to the game are given clues to a hidden immunity idol. Lill has had the clue since she returned to the game and is struggling to find the answer. In a bold move that only Lill would make, she decides to share the clue to the idol with her tribe and pretend as though it's a riddle.

Rudy - CONFESSIONAL - Lill openly told us that she's racing to find the password to something against Rafe (and probably future outcasts). It seems to be a series of riddles that Lill and Rafe must solve. But my only question is what are they fighting for and will it benefit me, because if not, I'd rather neither of them find it! I can only assume they're going for an HII or something in which case, I'd probably rather Rafe get it, since I don't view him as that big of a threat. So my goal is to not help Lill whatsoever in solving the riddle. Heck, she's lucky she's in the game, she doesn't need anymore chances to screw everyone over.

Gretchen - I'm wondering the ramifications of helping Lill get to whatever prize it is before Rafe: what if it's individual immunity that she can use whenever she wants to later in the game? Do we really want her to have that? I'm really concerned it may be something that strictly benefits her and not Bolivia. am I completely off my rocker? What do you think?

Rudy - I'm also positive that whatever she's racing for will not benefit us at all, just her. I also imagine that once another person is brought back into the game on Sunday, that person will be looking for it as well...I think it's a HII that they're looking for. This is very interesting Gretch. Don't worry though, you aren't crazy.

Gretchen - on one hand, if it is HII, if she uses it when the other tribes are targetting her, it takes the target off of us because we could all agree to vote the same person. But that would be tricky depending on how early in the game it is. On the other hand, if she used it when it got down to when we were targetting her, then one of us would go. It's an interesting dilemma. I wonder if she would fess up what it was if we asked her about it in the thread. But then, she could just tell us a line of bull.

Rudy - Damn you Gretch, I was WASN'T going to help her...but you bring up good points. If she has the HII, and she has a horde of people coming after her, we could use her one vote to take ANYONE out of the game. That's tempting. But then again, like you said, she could use it against one of us.

Gretchen - I think Lill wants it really bad because she knows she NEEDs it really bad. So if she had it, I think she would be forced to use it sooner rather than later. Right now, I'm not inclined to help her, but I'm trying to consider all the angles.

Gretchen - CONFESSIONAL - Lill is already getting on my last nerve! But she's too useful at the moment to boot, and is likely to be useful if I'm still around for a swap or a merge. Talk about a goat and a HUGE TARGET for Peru! Although this player coming back thing really puts a different spin on who you choose to vote out, because if you get rid of the wrong person, it could come back and bite you in the ass. Even though Lill is useful right now, she's a huge shit-stirrer. IF we were to vote her out, then likely she wouldn't be picked back up by another team - not after getting voted out twice. It's certainly something to consider. 🤔

Gretchen and Greg weigh the options for tonight's Tribal Council.

Greg - I was thinking . . . whoever we vote off tomorrow is going to be offered to be taken back by the tribe that wins the next immunity, right? Well we already know Alicia is not with us, so who cares if another tribe takes her if we vote her out. But Rudy . . . if we vote him out, he'll plead

with another team to take him back --- everybody knows him and likes him (he was Mod for Aruba) -- and he'll just make it his main goal to destroy what's left of Bolivia. So perhaps we are better off for now letting Rudy think he's not even being considered as a target. What do you think?

Gretchen - I don't think he knows we're watching him. I think we need to keep Rudy right now - he's got info on how challenges went in Aruba so that could be really valuable. I know we think we got a gold mine in Lill, but the more she opens her mouth the more I think she's a ticking bomb that will blow up and destroy us. At this point, I want Alicia out. She was even HERE before the challenge, on both boards, and she never bothered to show up? Fuck her

Greg - Yes, I agree re: Rudy. It is best we get rid of Alicia right now because she isn't doing us any good. So if another tribe picks her, it's not like we are any worse off. I hope this isn't a mistake and we miss one of our few opportunities to send Rudy packing! But I can see why it might be too early -- particularly since it looks like everybody gets a second chance to return. Rudy PMed me saying you, me, him and Kelly are the Quechua-4-Core (which he said you PMed him about). I told him I'm all for that plan, even tho I'm not really.

Gretchen - CONFESSIONAL - right now, it's working out that Alicia is a whiny cyrbaby tittysucker. I SAW her on last night right before the challenge, so I can't figure out why she's being such an ass. The original MO was to just boot her ass. But...I'm starting to think whether the better option would be to go with Greg's idea: Rudy. He thinks he's quite dangerous and will be even more so the farther he makes it into the game. Plus, he has sort of a relationship with all the Arubans since he was a co-host.

Bolivia, Tribal Council #3

Greg - Where is Jeff? I got ants in my pants

Lill - Dunno. We might as well come on in and sit down...

Kelly - is this some sort of twist?

Lill - So Rudy, what do you think about the twist bringing the dead back into the game? Has it changed your strategy? How do you feel about your new tribe mate?

Rudy - Well Lill, I think the twist is fantastic. It brings a new element into the game and gives the voted out players a chance to redeem themselves. They were probably voted out because of revenge, so it gives them a chance to get revenge back. Sounds like a never ending cycle to me. I like Lill so far, she's told us all why she was voted out, and I think she's starting to feel comfy here. I think she's a nice addition to our family.

Colleen - greg, why do you think Probst can help with the ants in your pants? wouldn't it be easier to just change pants?

Kelly - LOL

Lill - So Kelly, it was a tough loss of us last night. How do you feel about how our tribe worked at the challenge? Were there any stars? Do you think everybody carried their weight? Why do you think we lost?

Kelly - everybody definitely had a huge helping hand in the challenge. Greg, Lill and Rudy solved a lot of the puzzles in no time, Colleen worked really hard and was really supportive, Gretchen provided awesome references. It really was ours to lose. It just so happens that the other tribe was faster and completed more.

Lill - Does this loss factor into your vote decision tonite? If so, how?

Kelly - I guess indirectly, yeah

Lill - Does anybody feel particularly safe tonight? Does anybody feel especially vulnerable tonite?

Lill - Well Lill, I was initially pretty scared about joining a team who didn't know me , and I was really worried about being the next one out. But the team here has been really wonderful to me and have really seemed to accept me. I really appreciate it, especially with the amazing vendetta the peruvians launched against me and the smack they threw at me when I returned to the game. I feel accepted and safe now, and I'm giving my all to helping this tribe defeat Peru and the Aruba.

Colleen - tonight I feel safe, but I know that's a really dumb thing to say. For me personally, I know it would be really foolish to vote for anyone other than the person I'm voting for. But if I'm wrong and I leave, then well -what can you do? I'm really just wanting to make us strong and clobber those guys because this is a really good group. And I think everyone feels that way.

Jeff Probst - Sorry Sorry Sorry gang, I overslept a nap. >:| Alright so Would you prefer me grill you some or just get to the vote?

Kelly - grill away

Jeff Probst - Lill, what's it like convincing these guys to keep you around?

Lill - Well, I've been telling stories, and complaining about Peru's pettyness mostly. They've been very welcoming. I feel I've intergrated well into the tribe so far. I hope... I feel pretty safe...I guess...I hope...

Jeff Probst - Kelly, are you confident in Bolivia's challenge abilities against otehr tribes?

Kelly - I am, I'm very confident about our challenge abilities against the others. I only think we lose because everyone is so competitive this season. i feel like we're Mogo Mogo, socially we're the best tribe but we're always just a bit short when it comes to the challenge, not necessarily anyone in our tribe's fault but because of just plain old luck....does that make sense?

Jeff Probst - Colleen, how are you holding up as the only person who is not technically an all-star?

Colleen - I'm holding up fine on my end -I'm having a great time, and I thought it would be kind of harder for me, but everyone is really nice -we really clicked. The challenges are what's intense - they're really tricky where you have to think on so many levels at once- and if you can see it, there's computer issues where I'm not always confident. So that's what scares me the most -the tribe I love. I could come in and cry poor me I don't know this one or that, but what good is that going to do me -just wastes time -I'm having loads of fun.

Jeff Probst - Kelly I think that you have been the only person to step up as a leader. Do you feel any added pressure to carry your tribe?

Kelly - oh I definitely feel pressure in the challenges, Jeff. Luckily we've worked so well together that everybody shoulders the responsibilities, My leadership is just a formality at this point

Colleen - I personally don't feel like kelly is leading -she's just been the one to post our final answer -I feel it's been a collective everytime.

Kelly - yeah to us at this point the leader is just the one who posts the answers ^_^

Colleen - what I like about ths tribe is there's always coverage -we always have people to cover when someone can't be here and we're all thinking as one. It felt in that last one like we were a well-oiled machine.

Rudy - Exactly Colleen. The winner this season is going to come from the tribe that works best together. I think we've got a positive atmosphere here. Everyone seems healthy, and there's no conflict among us. I can see Aruba and Peru self destructing soon.

Kelly - which is why it sucks that we have to boot somebody tonight...we've just become this really great family here

Jeff Probst - Alright guys I wont make you wait any longer... I'll go tally the votes =)

Colleen - thanks, Probst -and good luck, everyone.

Jeff Probst - <http://strandedgaming.com/episodes/allstars/btc3.html>

Aruba, Day 5

Judd - Hey, I was thinking about the Bob Dawg eviction tonight, and I was wondering if you'd be comfortable with me voting along with him at Tribal Council. Basically, this Outcast twist makes every boot very important, because of the potential for them to come back and screw us over, so if Bob thinks he still has a friend on this tribe, he's more likely to work with us in the future, which could give us a huge edge over the tribes who completely alienate their boots. I'm thinking Bobby's going to be suggesting you for the vote when he gets here (simply for your late arrival), so it's completely your call whether you're okay with me voting the same way he does. It's pretty much the same thing Cirie did in Aruba, except it could be more successful since we can actually plan it in advance. Let me know.

Melinda - Yeah I'm fine with that as long as everyone else in the alliance agrees and we are 100% sure Misty, Cirie, and Shane are down with it as well. If something were to go wrong I would hold you responsible, so no funny business 😊😏

Judd - Haha, feel free to blame me if someone decides to take advantage of it and pull something crazy. I'm still waiting on responses from the rest of the group; I'll only execute it if everyone in our alliance okay's the idea.

Judd - CONFESSIONAL - I plan on proposing to our alliance that I vote along with Bob Dawg tonight in order to make him think he has a friend here at Aruba. This Outcast twist makes every boot count, and voting people off in a way that makes them feel they can still come back to us is always beneficial in this set-up. Of course, it helps that I'm the one playing naive for BD, because when/if he *does* come back, it'll be to me, not the rest of the tribe. Maybe that way he'll actually be somewhat useful to me as a vote, rather than a positioning device.

Shane - WHAT DOES BOB DAWG THINK IS HAPPENING TONIGHT? WHO DOES HE THINK HE IS GOING?

Judd - He hasn't been around once today. I have no idea what the idiot is doing. Probably just assuming he's safe enough that he doesn't have to show.

Melinda isn't ready to concede and vote for Bob Dawg just yet.

Melinda - CONFESSIONAL - Ok so this is a really really far out there idea... but I want to try and pursue it if I can... Judd messaged me telling me he wants to vote for me with BD to make it so BD is not alienated when he is voted off 😊 really want to pounce on this opportunity to make it a 3-2-1 vote... all it would take would for BD to be rational and vote for Judd with Misty and I (who am I kidding, Misty is going to be damn hard to sway also)... it is extremely risky but if I could pull it off it would be FRIKKIN AMAZING!! I know Misty will not go for it though, and BD may be too stupid to realize it would be his saving grace, but if he shows up soon I may try to propose it to him. Unfortunately I am the only one who wants to take some risks...

Melinda - Hey, just so you don't freak out I pre-voted for Bobby, not sure I am going to make it to TC tonight, got a few things going on... it is possible but not likely. I let Cirie know that as well. Have a good night!

Misty - Okay! I'll be here! So no one else around today? Guess that's a good thing.

Melinda - Shit.... Ok, so I kind of have an idea and it is really out there and I don't think you'll be down for it... but Judd just messaged me that he is going to vote for me with BD if I am ok with it so we send BD off thinking he had an ally (obviously this benefits Judd a TON!) So my thought is

if we can talk to Bobby, we could turn the tables and make this a 3-2-1 vote, 1 for me, 2 for BD, 3 for Judd.... I know it sounds crazy, but if BD shows and we can discuss it with him, it is an option to stop us from being sitting ducks.... Just think about it.

Misty - It's an hour to go to TC. And Bobby still hasn't been around the whole day? 🤔 I know what you're saying but imagine if Jeff did a tribe switch right after this. There's too many variables at this point and I'm not comfortable rocking the boat now. I told Judd I wasn't opposed to it but Bobby is too much of a wild card. Judd can be reasoned with at the very least.

Melinda - Aww, you're killing all the fun I want to have 🙄

Misty - Sorry. 😞 lol Its only day 5!

Melinda - Yeah well if we lose the next challenge I am out... that is kind of why I would like to take a risk and try to control my own fate...

Right on que, Bob Dawg arrives and worries about his fate.

Bob Dawg - Hi,so WHATS YOUR PLAN TONIGHT? Oops,caplock.Why don't you trust me anymore?

Misty - I thought you were Shane for a second. Why do you keep saying that?! The last time you talked to me you said that too. Let me guess. Someone's trying to get you to vote a certain way?

Bob Dawg - No, but Im sort of worried that because I abandoned the ic last night when I was on the cusp of getting the sanswer.Read the thread.Who have you heard? BTW,sorry for the paranoia,it goes with the territory

Bob Dawg - Yeah well if we lose the next challenge I am out... that is kind of why I would like to take a risk and try to control my own fate...

Melinda - Well that depends... I need to know if you plan on voting for me... because I am hearing you are, and if you do I think you and I are the next to go... I would kind of like for that to not happen but that depends on you...

Bob Dawg - I agree,I heard Rafe is back.Can we get him on our side somehow? I will vote with you if we can get a plan going

Melinda gets back to Misty with this new information to try and sway her.

Melinda - You realize this would be one of the sweetest blindsides EVER! I really really want to pursue this 🤔 Well do you have any ideas? Because I certainly think if you or I go that we are fucked. I hope you realize they plan on voting for you tonight... However, Judd has this plan of voting for me with you so that it is a 4-2 vote and you go home but he keeps you as an ally because it will look like there is no blood on his hands.... My plan is this, and you could totally screw me over on it and go to them, or you could work with me and we would be guaranteed to have the majority in the tribe. If Judd votes me, Cirie and Shane WILL vote for you, I swear to GOD. But if you, Misty, and I voted for one of the other 3 (preferably Judd, but Cirie would be fine as well) we could force a 3-2-1 vote and gain the majority....

Misty - Whoa... Dial it back a bit. I suggest you push the fact that you are on the outs and that Judd is playing sides and can't be trusted. Probably a good idea to make him think aout the Cirie-Judd-Shane thing so he can spread that around. I don't think you should speak for me either. lol Let him talk to me so I can handle that side. But we're still voting him out... Pretty sure he's going to flip no matter what. I know how he thinks.

Meanwhile, Judd throws his friend and ally, Cirie, under the bus.

Bob Dawg - I've heard my name thrown around by Misty. Is this true?

Judd - I dunno. I know Melinda's voting for you. Misty might very well be with her. I think it comes down to Shane/Cirie, who I assume are on our side, given their deal with you. I didn't expect Misty to actually put her neck at risk by going with Mel, but if she's telling you you're in danger, maybe that's what she's doing. I'll talk to Shane and Cirie ASAP.

Bob Dawg - I trust your alliance and Shane/Cirie more than any of Melinda's or Misty's proposals, for obvious reasons, but Misty said the idea originated with you. You're a logical guy, but I don't see why booting me over a known mastermind

Judd - Misty will do anything she can to sabotage me. You know just as well as I do that she's been the one pushing for your boot, not me. I would have no reason to want you gone, and plenty of reasons to want to keep you here. She was pushing you to go instead of Rafe, and we both know why. Her game is transparent. She'll pay for it in due course, believe me. No response from Shane or Cirie yet. Still waiting.

Bob Dawg - So it is Melinda going tonight?

Judd - Shit, I just got a message from Cirie basically telling me that things have changed, and you're going to be the vote tonight. She's practically threatening me saying stuff like, "Of course, it'll be unanimous, because nobody would be dumb enough to side with him and jeopardize their spot in the group, right?!?!?" Bitch. I'm going to do everything I can to sway her, because I don't know where this change of heart came from. Misty/Melinda better not have gotten to her, or else I'm probably a goner next TC.

Bob Dawg - Motherfucker, I knew Misty and her had a tight bond. Can we recruit anybody?

Judd - I'm pleading with both her and Shane, but it's not looking good. Shane's telling me he can't afford to go against the group on this one. Fuck, I think I'm going to be joining you as an Outcast very, very soon if this keeps up. 🤔

Judd - CONFESSIONAL - Misty will never be able to earn my trust, sorry. We have too much history for me to believe that anything she tells me is the honest truth. At times, I feel like she's being honest with me. But I am fully aware that could change at any point in time, and I am fully aware that she will pursue whatever she believes to be in her best interests. Ultimately, she wants me out of this game, because she can't compete with me and she knows it. What the fuck is up with Misty and her whole, "Okay, now that it's an hour before TC, I'd like to rebel against whatever Judd is proposing and push for the exact opposite"? It's getting fucking annoying. I'm really not out to get you, Misty (yet). Calm the fuck down. She sees any opportunity I'm taking to give myself an advantage, and she does whatever she can to take it away from me. She's savvy enough to not destroy the tribe, but she's also dumb enough to identify me as her biggest threat, and she's working damn hard to counter it.

Bob Dawg then confronts Cirie on what he's heard.

Bob Dawg - So what's up? Judd told me that you said I was going tonight? Why the fuck would you keep Melinda over me?

Cirie relays this to Shane.

Cirie - Apparently, Judd just told Bob Dawg that I plan to vote him out.

..who, in turn, confronts Judd, who then lies.

Shane - WHY DID U TELL BOB DAWG THAT CIRIE IS VOTING HIM OUT? BOB DAWG JUST SAID THAT TO CIRIE.

Judd - I didn't tell him that, I told him Melinda should be the vote. Misty told him he was in danger, but I don't know what specifics she gave him.

Shane - HE TOLD ME MISTY TOLD HIM THAT HE IS GOING AND WE ARE ALL VOTING FOR HIM. THIS IS WHY SHANE HATES FUCKING MISTY SOMETIMES

Judd - Yeah, Misty told me she was giving him the truth about his situation, and I felt like asking her why the fuck she would do that. She's trying to buy favor with him, I guess, which is probably why she didn't want me voting for Mel tonight.

Cirie - Bob Dawg has just said that you told him I was voting for him? It kind of pinned me in a corner, so I confessed that I was going to vote for him.

Judd - that's not the case. I've been telling him Melinda's the boot. Misty told him he was in trouble, but I don't know what specifics she gave him.

Cirie - It doesn't really matter. As long as the tribe collectively decides to vote out Bob Dawg, it's not going to matter.

Judd - Yeah, this is just his last-ditch effort to stir shit up. No big deal, we knew it was coming.

Cirie - **CONFESSIONAL** - As of now, I'm trying to prepare for every possibility that comes my way. I'm trying to position myself in a way that I would not be considered the primary threat in a twist or merge. If my alliance is down in numbers, I want to make sure that I can still survive in this game. I'm also trying to influence the decision-making of others without it being very apparent. Manipulation is an art for the patient. Just look at last round! I was the person that initially suggested booting Rafe over Melinda. A day goes by and everyone now assumes that Judd was the one pushing the target.

Misty and Melinda strategize just before Tribal Council.

Misty - I think you should try asking him who he wants to target to see what he says.

Melinda - He has said Judd... I just messaged him telling him that I think him or I is going, and that the 4 of you are probably too tight for him/I to do anything about it... hopefully that way when he leaves he won't be bitter at me as it looks as though I had no other choice....

Misty - Okay. I know what you have to do.

Melinda - Remember if they pull a fast one on me, you have to try and be the leader for the next IC...

Misty - I know. But I don't think they all would lie like that. It's too dangerous.

Melinda - Nope, but I think it is funny because I am totally making them out to be liars to Bob Dawg... so now he will go expose them if he is brought back

Melinda - It is unfortunate because I truly was hoping we could have pulled something together... unfortunately I can not get Misty's support, so it is what it is. If I get out I will have your back if I return on another team. I hope it is mutual.

Bob Dawg - I heard Cirie and Shane and Misty might vote for me. Will you please reconsider

Melinda - Reconsider what? Like I said I do not want you to go home tonight... but there is nothing I can do... if they're playing you you're gone, if they're playing me I'm gone... that's all there is to it 😊

Bob Dawg - Why don't we vote out Misty then? Shes the one that broke the word, I know you don't want a tie if you vote with me and Judd, but you're gone next

Melinda - Judd is not going to vote for Misty with you Bob Dawg. I am telling you that straight up. I am not even going to lie to you like they all are, because if they are telling me the truth you are going home, so I honestly do not see the point in playing with you... so either they are being honest with you and I am going home, or you are going home tonight. And I can;t do anything to change it as much as I wish I could.

Misty puts an end to the lies and tells Bob Dawg he's leaving.

Bob Dawg - What other options? Misty is a thret,yes,but I thought Melinda was going first

Misty - Oh my god. They're still coming after me? I don't think you understand how vulnerable I am right now. I'm basically on my own here and I've been told you were the vote and I don't like hearing different stories...

Bob Dawg - I heard that Melinda is going, but yeah, youre name is hinted at.i wouldnt worry though

Misty - So it's either Melinda or you tonight... 🙄

Bob Dawg - I heard you and Cirie(and Shane) are voting me out tonight,what do you say to that?

Misty - You are being lied to by one of the others. Tell me if you get the others to vote together.

This throws Bob Dawg into a tizzy and enrages Shane when it gets back to him.

Shane - UMM, WHY DID U TELL BOB DAWG BE WAS IN DANGER?

Misty - I didn't tell him! He told me he knew he was going and I said yeah. Why did he say that? 🙄

Shane - YES! HE WAS OBVIOUSLY PLAYING YOU SAYING THAT TO SEE WHAT YOU WOULD SAY. YOU SHOULDNT OF RESPONDED, NOW HE KNOWS AND HE IS GOING NUTS!

Misty - Damn. Sorry.

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Shane - SHANE IS HOSTING TONIGHT. SO MISTY HOW THE FUCK DO YOU FEEL ABOUT LOSING AGAIN?

Jeff Probst - 🙄 Alright might as well come on in guys. Votes are final in 30 minutes as always. Let's start with the obvious... After tonight I believe you guys will have the lowest amount of tribe members... concerning?

Shane - FUCK NO

Cirie - I find it to be concerning. We won the only immunity challenge that didn't involve the outcast twist. It's not going to matter who goes home if we continue seeing you every two days, Jeff. I don't want to be the next Ulong.

Judd - It sucks that we're down in numbers, but ultimately, it doesn't mean a damn thing, because it's this next challenge that will determine if we pull ahead or fall behind. The Outcast twist makes the numerical structuring a bit confusing, but at the end of the day, we're pretty much even with the other tribes at this point. Every tribe here needs to win that next IC if they want to take the lead in this game.

Shane - WE WON'T BIG MOMMA. WE WON'T NOT IN A 3 TRIBE MERGE.

Jeff Probst - Alright, Shane, Are you upset now that your good buddy Dave is gone?

Shane - FUCK NO. HE FUCKING TRIED TO BE ME! HE WAS JUST A SHANE WANNA BE, YOU CAN'T BEAT THE REAL DEAL, AND HES NOT DOING SOMETHING RIGHT IF HE IS VOTED 2ND, TWICE!

Bob Dawg - Im pissed that we didn't get him for our tribe

Judd - Yeah, having Dave over here would have been absolute gold. I was looking forward to seeing Shane beat his ass down every which way to Sunday.

Jeff Probst - If it was Aruba choosing between Rafe and Crazy Dave what do you guys think the verdict would've been?

Judd - Would have been a tough call. On one hand, having Dave over here would have provided countless hours of hilarity. On the other, having Dave go home 2nd once again is the ultimate cosmic irony. So it really would come down to which comedy we preferred at the time. 😊

Shane - THERE ISN'T ENOUGH ROOM FOR THE 2 OF US ON OUR TRIBE, AND BLUE WOULDN'T DO US JUSTICE! BUT REALLY, SHANE NEVER HAD A PROBLEM WITH GAYFE, SO IT WOULD DEPEND WHAT THE OTHERS WANTED.

Bob Dawg - I would want you two to be together, it would provide hours of entertainment. Shane isn't entertaining without an antagonist

Shane - FUCK THAT!

Jeff Probst - Anyone here wanna own up to feeling particularly vulnerable tonight?

Bob Dawg - I am Jeff

Cirie - I'm feeling vulnerable today, Jeff. My tribemates are the best of the best, so you have to be on your toes.

Bob Dawg - I know it's either me or Melinda tonight, and it makes no sense to keep Melinda over me

Melinda - Nope, Jeff. I feel like I will be staying around tonight.

Bob Dawg - If any of you've voted, fuck. Anyway, I'm about to post a Ravu style (with flairs of my own) to explain why I shouldn't go

Judd - Judging by the history of this game, posting Ravu-style ensures you the win. Congrats!

Shane - CALLING IT A RAVU STYLE RANT, ISN'T A GOOD START.

Judd - Well, really, every post we make is Ravu-style. When it comes down to it, we're all Ravu, after all. Heil Ravu!

Jeff Probst - Misty, comfortable with who may be going home tonight?

Misty - Jeff, I wish that we didn't need to come to TC at all. Especially after not being able to compete in the last one. I prefer being able to keep our fate in our hands. But under the tough circumstances that we have I'm comfortable with who's going.

Bob Dawg - I hear crickets chirping, heh. ANYway, you guys are aware that Melinda won a previous game before right? And she came in second in Aruba and she obviously has an alliance with Misty who no one here has any reason to trust. Maybe the reason you want to keep Melinda is because you want to use her as a shield. That is wrongheaded because The Peruvians and Bolivians probably have the same idea. Everyone on Big Brother: All Stars used Will as a shield, and he eventually gained control and made it to 4th place, which is what could happen if you keep Melinda. She's very unassuming and snakelike, and I'm obviously an antagonist. However, I'm a LOT MORE LOYAL THAN MELINDA! Booting me is like Rafe booting Lydia in Guatemala, fucking moronic.

Judd - I'm obviously loyal to you because Misty is the dumb cunt who started this campaign against me, and therefore I have no reason to trust her. I am loyal to a fault with you

Shane - Same reason, I WILL NOT BETRAY YOU. MELINDA WILL!! IF SHE'S BOOTED NEXT, THEN THE OTHER TRIBES ARE LIKELY TO PICK HER BECAUSE SHE IS MORE UNASSUMING SEEMINGLY THAN A BOLIVIAN OR PERUVIAN.

Cirie - DITTO

Bob Dawg - But I'm probably going due to some irrational fear about the Outcast twist. I am not likely to be picked up, NO ONE KNOWS ANYTHING ABOUT ME, while people think Melinda is more

