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Wreaths are seen at the site of the deadly electrocution incident that happened last Saturday. The tragedy has seen the death of two of the six injured workers, while a third is still in ICU battling for his life, as of press time.

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# ASG Customs to levy 5% excise tax based on new parameters

“CUSTOMS HAS CREATIVELY REWRITTEN THE CODE,” SAYS A LOCAL BUSINESS

By Rhonda Annesley  
Samoa News editor

The Department of Treasury, Customs Division has written a letter to “all concerned” of the new way Customs will be computing the 5% excise tax it currently levies on all goods for sale or commercial use coming into the Territory, as of February 1, 2017. However, Samoa News has found out that apparently not all businesses have received the letter — it was ‘handed out’ to some businesses by Custom’s agents.

The letter is dated January 18, 2017, and is from the Chief of Customs Moetului S.U. Fuiava. It states effective Feb. 1, 2017, “customs will include freight and insurance costs in calculating excise taxes. Only bulk fuel will be exempted from this edict.”

The current method of calculating excise taxes is based on the FOB — “freight on board” — value of goods, which excludes freight and insurance; the excise tax rate is 5%, as outlined in the annotated code of the American Samoa, section 11.1002.

However, in his letter, the Chief of Customs points to the new way of calculating excise taxes as “in line with the annotated code of the American Samoa, section 11.1002.

Moetului writes that the code “states that the basis for computing the excise tax is the price of the items, except for certain petroleum products and shall include costs, charges, and expenses incident to placing the items in conditions, packed and ready for shipment to American Samoa. The basis for computing the tax on certain petroleum products shall be gallons; freight charges, insurance, and other shipping expenses shall not be included in the basis for the computing the tax.”

Samoa News looked up the American Samoa annotated code on “Excise Tax on Imports” — Chapter Ten and found the following:

Section 11.1002 is subtitled “Amount of tax on certain items” and lays out the excise tax rate on certain items, including the 5% excise tax rate on goods, “not listed in subsections... which are imported for commercial use or resale purposes.” This section does not have the ‘basis for computing the excise tax’ the Chief of Customs

is pointing to as the reason for their new way of computing the excise tax.

The basis for computing the excise tax is found in Section 11.1001 “Imposition-Basis for computation — Conditional release.”

However, it differs from what Moetului is saying, in that it is states in three parts:

(a) An excise tax shall be levied and paid at the point of entry, on the items listed in 11.1002, except those items imported by the United States Government.

(b) The basis for computing the tax is the purchase price of the items, except for certain petroleum products, and shall include costs, charges, and expenses incident to placing the items in condition, packed and ready for shipment to American Samoa. The basis for computing the tax on certain petroleum products shall be gallons. Freight charges, insurance, and other shipping expenses shall not be included in the basis for computing the tax.

(c) All items released by customs officers as duty free at the time of entry shall be entered as conditionally duty free and subject to duty if within 90 days of entry it is discovered that the items should have been taxed.

Samoa News points out that essentially, the Chief of Customs has put a semi-colon at the end of the sentence, “The basis for computing the tax on certain petroleum products shall be gallons” instead of the period that appears in the annotated code version.

By doing so he has connected the sentence that follows, “Freight charges, insurance, and other shipping expenses shall not be included in the basis for computing the tax” to read as relating only to petroleum products, and not to all goods entering American Samoa.

Under this manifestation of the code, Moetului has in effect “re-interpreted” or “rewritten” the statute allowing for the excise tax to be levied on goods based on CIF (cargo, insurance, freight) and not the FOB (freight on board) value of the goods.

Business owners who have received the letter or been made aware of the existence of the letter are extremely upset.

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The cheerful and helpful atmosphere — a trademark of service in Manu’a’s Stores — has been replaced with a somber one, as staff and management mourn the loss of co-workers, friends and family members electrocuted last week Saturday at Manu’a’s Store location in the Tafuna industrial park.

According to one employee when asked, it’s been really hard to come to terms with something so sudden and unexpected that has happened to not only one, but two of their friends, who have passed, with one still in ICU, while others are recovering from their injuries, they are struggling to try and deal with the tragedy.

Banners, wreaths, and handmade signs are seen outside the two Manu’a’s Store locations, as well as at the site of Saturday’s tragedy — from the staff and management as well as the community —grieving with the families for their loss.

The tragedy continues to echo through the community, as the injured man in ICU is still battling for his life, with family and friends and co-workers praying for his recovery. Social media sites are exhorting the young man to be strong and not give up the fight.

Manu’a’s Store — in its Malaeimi & Pago locations — closed early yesterday afternoon, with employees going to the hospital’s chapel to pray together.

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## Notice for Proposed Registration of Land

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in accordance with the request which has been received by the Territorial Registrar for the registration of a certain land SINA which is situated in or near the village of LEONE, County of FOFO Island of TUTUILA, from PULETUIMALO DICK KOKO of the village of LEONE as a/an INDIVIDUALLY OWNED land of PULETUIMALO DICK KOKO.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that anyone claiming an interest in the above named land, may file an objection with the Territorial Registrar's Office within 60 days from the date of posting of this notice. If no objection is filed within 60 days from the date of posting of this notice, the land proposed herein will be registered as such in accordance with the law of American Samoa.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the survey and description of the said land are now on file in the Territorial Registrar's Office where they may be examined at any time prior to the expiration of the said sixty (60) days..

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SIGNED: Taito S.B. White, Territorial Registrar

## Fa'aaliga o le Fia Fa'amauina o se Fanua

O LE FAAALIGA LENEI ua faasalalauina ona o le talosaga ua faaulufaleina mai i le Ofisa o le Resitara o Amerika Samoa ina ia fa'amauina le fanua o SINA, e tu pe latalata ane i le nu'u o LEONE, Itumalo o FOFO i le motu o TUTUILA, ina ia fa'amauina e PULETUIMALO DICK KOKO ole fanua TOTINO o PULETUIMALO DICK KOKO.

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# COURT REPORT...

Translated by Samoa News staff

## SARASOPA SIANINI

A man accused of assaulting his father has been sentenced to serve 45 days in jail and the 22 days of pre trial confinement is counted towards the jail term.

Sarasopa Sianini was initially charged with two misdemeanor counts of third degree assault and public peace disturbance following an incident last month. But under a plea agreement, the defendant pled guilty to the assault charge.

During sentencing on Wednesday, the government requested that the defendant be given a sentence of 12 months probation, and this would include the 22 days pre trial confinement. The defendant apologized for his crime and asked for leniency that would allow him to return home to his family. This was also a request by the defense.

District Court Judge Fiti A. Sunia noted that it has become a habit for defense and government attorneys to request that pre-trial confinement is included in any court sentence, as this is the case for Sianini.

Sunia also said that of the many assault cases that have come before the court system, it's very rare to see a defendant charged with assaulting a parent, who raised the person since an infant.

According to Sunia, it was last November that the defendant was convicted of private peace disturbance in his family after the defendant got into an argument with his father. However, two months after been sentenced for this crime, Sunia said the defendant is now charged with assaulting his father. Therefore, Sunia told the defendant, the court was not giving him any more chances.

The judge asked the defendant as to why he continues to cause these bad problems towards his father, to which the defendant replied that his father has an anger problem and Sunia quickly interjected, firing back, "How about you, don't you also have an anger problem? You will be jailed for 45 days."

## SAMUEL WRIGHT

A bench trial is set for Feb. 9 before District Court Judge Fiti A. Sunia for inmate Samuel Wright, who rejected a plea agreement offer by the government, which has accused him of

assaulting another inmate.

Wright and former inmate Manu Lefatia each face one count of third degree assault — a misdemeanor — for the alleged assault earlier this last month of inmate Larry Samatua inside the Territorial Correctional Facility.

At the time of the alleged assault, Lefatia was in custody and is one of the four men accused in the November 2014 shooting of the Leone police substation. Lefatia was later released when all four men pled guilty to a misdemeanor charge, while Wright is currently serving a 15-year prison term for his role in the holdup of the Gold Conda store in Fagaalu.

Lefatia is currently out on \$200 bond for the alleged assault case; and Wright, who is serving time in jail, has been ordered by the court not to make any contact with fellow inmate Samatua.

During a status hearing yesterday, assistant public defender Kate Hannaher informed the court that her client, Wright, has been told of a plea agreement offer from the government, but the defendant rejects the charge and therefore requests a bench trial.

Meanwhile, Lefatia's case is pending in court.

## BRIAN BENJAMIN LOMA

The High Court has set for May this year, the jury trial for Brian Benjamin Loma, after the court rejected early this week a plea agreement between the government and the defense.

During a plea hearing late last month, the court was informed of the plea agreement between two sides; however, the court sought additional information from both sides pertaining to the specific language of the agreement, which was denied by the court this week.

Loma, who is out on bail, is charged with one count of unlawful possession of a controlled substance, marijuana. The government alleges that Custom Officers, with the assistance of a K-9, found marijuana on the defendant while going through Customs at Pago Pago International Airport, the night of Sept. 15, 2015. Loma was a passenger on a Hawaiian Airlines flight from Honolulu.

(Original Samoan stories are in today's Lali section as well as yesterday.)

# Two brothers charged in felony assault of a gas station attendant

by Joyetter Feagaimaali'i-Luamanu  
Samoa News Reporter

The Attorney General's Office has charged two brothers in connection with an assault case that occurred last November 2016 in Utulei. Romeo and Raymond Faaloua are each held on bail of \$10,000 and each are facing one count of first degree assault and one count of third degree assault. The felony assault is a class B felony that is punishable to up between five years to 15 years in jail while the misdemeanor charge carries a jail term of up to one year in jail, and or a fine of up to \$1,000.

According to the government's case, the incident came under the police radar when it was reported that the defendants allegedly assaulted a young man at the gas station in Utulei. It's alleged that the victim was working at the gas station when three individuals approached him. Raymond allegedly punched the victim first in the face and then Romeo jumped in and began to punch and kick the victim.

Both defendants were punching and kicking the victim, while the victim's co-worker tried to stop the fight but was unsuccessful, court filings

say.

It's alleged that one of the defendant's with long hair fetched a tire rim and was about to strike the victim when the third person that was with the defendants stepped in and stopped it.

Court filings say that the victim was taken to the hospital and he suffered multiple fractures on the face and skull, severe bruising, swelling and lacerations. The victim required major facial bone repair and reconstruction surgery and was only able to sustain a fluid diet. Court filings say the victim suspected the defendants mistook him for someone else.

The defendants made their initial appearance in the District Court this week before District Court Judge Fiti Sunia.

Their preliminary examination hearing has been scheduled for today for the judge to determine whether the government has sufficient evidence to proceed with this case to the high court for further prosecution or deposition.

The brothers are each represented by the Public Defender's office while prosecuting this case is Assistant Attorney General Jedidiah Begelow, and the arresting officer is Sali Malala.

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THE TERRITORIAL REGISTRAR is satisfied that the claim, petition by the family and certificate of the village chiefs are in proper form.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that anyone so desiring must file his counterclaim, or objection to the registration of this matai title with the Territorial Registrar Office before the expiration of 60 days from the date of posting. If no counterclaim, nor any objection is filed by the expiration of said 60 days, the matai title OLOATUA shall be registered in the name of LUCE PONAUSUIA in accordance with the laws of American Samoa.

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SIGNED: Taito S.B. White, Territorial Registrar

## Fa'aaliga o le Fa'amauina o se Suafa Matai

O le fa'aaliga lenei ua faasalalauina e tusa ma le Maga 6.0105 o le tusi tulafono a Amerika Samoa, e pei ona suia, ona o le talosaga ua faaulufaleina mai i le Ofisa o le Resitara o Amerika Samoa, mo le fia fa'amauina o le suafa matai o OLOATUA o le nu'u o AUA e LUCE PONAUSUIA o AUA faalupega o MAOPUTASI, falelima i SASA'E.

Ua taliaina e le Resitara lea talosaga, faatasi ma le talosaga a le aiga faapea ma le tusi faamaonia mai matai o lea nu'u, ma ua i ai nei i teuga pepa a lea ofisa.

A i ai se tasi e faafinagaloina, ia faaulufaleina sana talosaga tete'e, po o sana faalavelave tusutusia i le Ofisa o Resitara i totonu o aso e 60 mai le aso na faalauiloa ai lenei faaaliga. Afai o lea lea se talosaga tete'e, po'o se faalavelave foi e faaulufaleina mai i aso e 60 e pei ona taua i luga, o lea fa'amauina loa lea suafa matai i le igoa o LUCE PONAUSUIA e tusa ai ma aiaiga o le tulafono a Amerika Samoa. 01/20 & 02/20/17

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# Governor says cost of butane gas in territory much lower due to competition

by Fili Sagapolutele  
Samoa News Correspondent

The new Satala Power Plant, which is undergoing pre commissioning, can be converted to run on Liquefied Natural Gas, according to Gov. Lolo Matalasi Moliga, who also says that the cost of butane gas in American Samoa has decreased “dramatically” due to competition.

Lolo made the comments in his official written State of the Territory Address, through his 83-page Comprehensive Report submitted last week to lawmakers and others. The report summarized a wide range of accomplishments by the Lolo and Lemanu Administration in the last four years.

Under the issue, “Power Plant & Butane Gas” the governor said the new 26-mega watt Satala Power Plant has been designed to meet emission standards set by the US Environmental Protection Agency as well as maintaining the necessary capacity to accommodate the Tafuna Power Plant in case of a power failure.

He said the new power plant is not only cost-efficient and environmentally friendly by burning clean diesel fuel, but “it can also be converted to run on Liquefied Natural Gas.”

ASPA began last month pre-commissioning the power plant and ASPA managing director Paul Young says the facility is expected to be commission in March this year.

At the start of 2017, ASPA says that it has connected Feeder 4 to the new Satala Power plant that is now energized for testing and commissioning of equipment. Additionally, a significant amount of work remains before the new plant generates power but this is an important milestone. Live testing of the electrical protection systems can now commence to ensure complete operability before starting the generators for the first time.

Regarding the issue of butane gas, the governor said that in the last three years, the cost has “dropped dramatically from the high of \$36 to \$24” adding that this 33% decline in butane costs

is mainly due to the entry of two new suppliers in American Samoa.

According to the governor, the butane industry that was once a monopoly now has healthy competition among three suppliers. The governor didn’t identify the suppliers by name.

Lolo did say that “healthy competition not only has created lower prices and cost savings for local people, but the butane supply and fuel burning are now far more efficient and cleaner.”

## ELECTRIC ISSUES

The governor also reiterated what he said during the 2016 campaign season that the electricity costs have dropped since the Administration took office in 2013, when the cost of one kilowatt averaged around 45 cents.

“Together with the fervent support” of the ASPA board of directors and management, the Administration remains highly committed in reducing electricity cost even further, Lolo said in his official address.

In a collaborative effort, he said the administration was able to reduce the cost of one kilowatt per hour to 25 cents, which is a significant 44% drop in utility cost from 2013.

(Samoa News should point out that some of the lowest prices for barrels of oil on the global market happened during this time — contributing to much lower fuel prices on island, which includes fuel for ASPA’s generators. The hourly kilowatt rate is tied to the cost of fuel, and Samoa News has been told by ASPA that any savings from the price of fuel dropping is passed on to the consumer.)

Lolo also said that ASPA’s highly commended debit meter program also continues to attract many residents for its budgetary convenience and accessibility, especially customers in the Manu’a island group.

In 2014, a total of 181 debit meter units were installed among homes and businesses in Manu’a, he said adding that about 85% of Manu’a residents are now enrolled and have installed debit meters.

## Neil’s Ace Home Center partnership with AS cancer coalition raises \$16K

### IT’S THE 8TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY FUNDRAISING PROJECT

BASED ON A PRESS RELEASE — Since 2009, Neil’s Ace Home Center has partnered with the American Samoa Community Cancer Coalition to raise stipends for cancer patients for their medical expenses, medical care and daily expenses.

The annual holiday fundraising project includes customer participation. At the time of the customer’s purchase, ACE cashiers ask customers if they’d like to donate to the Cancer Coalition. With any donation made by the customer, ACE matches their donation, dollar for dollar.

The fundraising kicked off on November 21, 2016 and ended on Christmas Eve. During the 4-week fundraising for 2016, a total of \$8,000 was raised through customer dona-

tions; and with ACE matching customer donations the combined donation to the Cancer Coalition for 2016 is \$16,000.

In the 8 years of this fundraising drive a combined total of \$74,600 has been raised.

ACE thanks their customers for their generous donations. Recognizing that the customers had so many other things going on during the Holiday Season, ACE appreciates the continuous support of what has been a successful fundraising effort for the last eight years.

Neil’s ACE Home Center recently celebrated 32 years of business in American Samoa and feels very strongly about giving back to the community it serves. It is a locally owned company, owned by the Scratch Family with over 100 employees.

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Please contact Melesete Haleck or Sally Faumuina at the Office of the Governor at 633-4116 to register and for more information, or visit the website [www.americansamoa.gov](http://www.americansamoa.gov), and click on the “Secretary of American Samoa” hyperlink to find out more.

## ▶ ASG Customs to levy 5% ...

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One saying, “Customs has creatively rewritten the Code by inserting a semi colon where a period exists. The letter also cites the wrong Code section.” While another says, “Now there’s a perfect example of “taxation without representation”!! What happened to the January 11 meeting we were supposed to have with the governor and key staff to address these issues?”

The difference in price of goods is as a business owner said, “A saimin package that now costs 25¢ would be around \$1.00. So much for a government for the people!”

## BEACH ADVISORY



American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency

Supporting efforts to clean our shores

AS-EPA

**Release Date: January 18, 2017**

**Contact: AS-EPA Water Program at (684) 633-2304**

The American Samoa Environmental Protection Agency (AS-EPA) advises the public that on **January 17, 2017**, the following recreational beaches tested positive for Enterococci bacteria levels that exceed American Samoa Water Quality Standards:

- Fagaalu Beach
- Fagasa-Fagale'a Stream Mouth
- Aua Stream Mouth
- Afono Stream Mouth
- Fagaitua Stream Mouth
- Masausi Stream Mouth
- Masefau Stream Mouth

AS-EPA beach advisories inform the public about current water conditions. When a beach advisory is issued, it is because water samples indicate that the American Samoa Water Quality Standard for Enterococci has been exceeded. This advisory is in effect until further sampling and laboratory analyses indicate that Enterococci concentrations are within acceptable water quality standards.

The presence of Enterococci in the water indicates contamination by human and/or animal wastes. Swimming in water with high levels of Enterococci may cause stomach problems, skin rashes, and ear, eye, and wound infections. To reduce your risk: avoid swallowing beach water, be sure to rinse or towel off after a swim, and shower once at home. If you are ill, or think you may be ill, AS-EPA advises that you consult a physician before making any water contact in the beaches cited above.

Note: AS-EPA monitors the water quality of 44 recreational beaches on Tutuila, the wharf in Aunu'u, and five beaches on Manu'a. Tutuila advisories are issued weekly on Wednesdays. Aunu'u and Manu'a advisories are issued monthly. Advisories are issued when bacteria concentrations exceed levels determined safe for human exposure. Should you have any questions, please contact the AS-EPA Water Program at 633-2304.

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A protester holds a sign making a play on words about the alt-Right movement at an anti-Trump rally and protest in front of the Trump International Hotel, Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017, in New York. President-elect Donald Trump, a New Yorker, is scheduled to take the oath of office Friday at his own inauguration in Washington.

(AP Photo/Kathy Willens)

# Over \$1 Mil going to AS-DOH to combat Zika

by Samoa News staff

American Samoa is getting a boost of just over \$1 million from the US Centers for Medicaid and Medicare (CMS) to combat the spread of the Zika virus as well as treatment services for health conditions related to Zika — there are more than 1,000 suspected cases in the territory.

In a news release yesterday morning, Congresswoman Aumua Amata announced that American Samoa is getting \$1.1 million from CMS under the Zika Healthcare Services Program.

The federal money, which goes to the local Department of Health, is part of a total \$66.1 million in funding to health departments in American Samoa, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Florida to help combat the Zika virus, according to CMS in a national news release yesterday morning.

“This funding will help prevent the spread of the Zika virus and meet the health needs of people who have been infected,” said Vikki Wachino, the CMS deputy administrator, in the news release, which also says the US Congress authorized this funding in continuing appropriations for FY 2017 and Zika Response and Preparedness Act.

Funds will support prevention activities and treatment services for health conditions related to the Zika virus, including improving provider capacity and capability, says CMS, adding that “Zika remains a serious health concern”, as Zika virus infection during pregnancy has been linked to fetal death and other adverse birth outcomes; including microcephaly and other potentially severe fetal brain defects.

Responding to Samoa News inquiries, CMS’ press office in Washington D.C confirmed the \$1.1 million funding to the local DOH. CMS spokesman Jonathan P. Mengel explained, “While the applicants will receive an initial award for the entire amount allocated, funding will be incrementally released over the 36-month

budget and project period based upon an annual assess of the recipient’s progress.”

As of Jan. 6, there were 1,052 Zika virus suspected cases in American Samoa with 62 cases confirmed through laboratory testing. Of that total, 28 are pregnant women, according to DOH data.

In accordance with the Zika Response and Preparedness Act, entities eligible for this funding opportunity include states, territories, tribes or tribal organizations with active or local transmission of the Zika virus, as confirmed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

However, when the funding opportunity, under the federal law, was announced Nov. 9 last year, the CDC designated American Samoa, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Florida as areas with laboratory-confirmed active or local Zika virus transmission.

As such, this emergency funding opportunity was only available to these four jurisdictions, according to CMS, adding that there are states with laboratory-confirmed Zika cases that are not currently eligible for these funds because the cases are travel associated and not locally acquired.

According to the funding distribution list, Puerto Rico gets a huge amount, \$60.6 million, because it has the highest incidence of locally transmitted Zika cases. Allocations of funds are based on the percent of active and local Zika cases reported by the CDC and the size of the populations in these areas.

As of Jan. 18, the CDC website says that total Zika cases reported in Puerto Rico, US Virgin Islands and American Samoa reached 35,527 — with 35,392 locally acquired; and Puerto Rico has the highest number of reported cases.

Last month, DOH was awarded \$500,000 from the US Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) under the Zika Maternal and Child Health Services Program.

# Solange Knowles headlines progressive 'Peace Ball'

WASHINGTON (AP) — The main attraction, Solange Knowles, didn't hit the stage until close to midnight, but the 3,000 or so enthusiastic guests packed into the National Museum of African American History and Culture weren't going anywhere.

It was an energetic crowd at Thursday's "Peace Ball," an evening organized by progressive activist Andy Shallal, and part of the so-called "alternative" programming surrounding the inauguration. The evening, which also featured jazz singer Esperanza Spalding and a dance party, was quite different from the official pre-inaugural concert at the Lincoln Memorial, which was heavy on country music.

Guests at the Peace Ball included actors Danny Glover and Fran Drescher. Glover addressed the fact that although the event was described as a nonpartisan celebration of successes in recent years in areas such as health care, climate change and marriage equality, the room was filled with people unhappy with the results of the election.

"We can't just sit and lick our wounds," Glover said. "Our work is cut out for us. We have to make some hard choices."

One guest, Lucinda Ziesing of Camden, Maine, expressed her own alarm over the state of the nation in a particularly colorful way: She wore a gown made of red plastic strips, all emblazoned with the word "DANGER." On her head was a laurel wreath of black plastic.

Ziesing said she wasn't at the ball to protest President-elect Donald Trump so much as to advocate for attention to issues of deep concern

to her: the environment, women's health, and civil rights, to name a few.

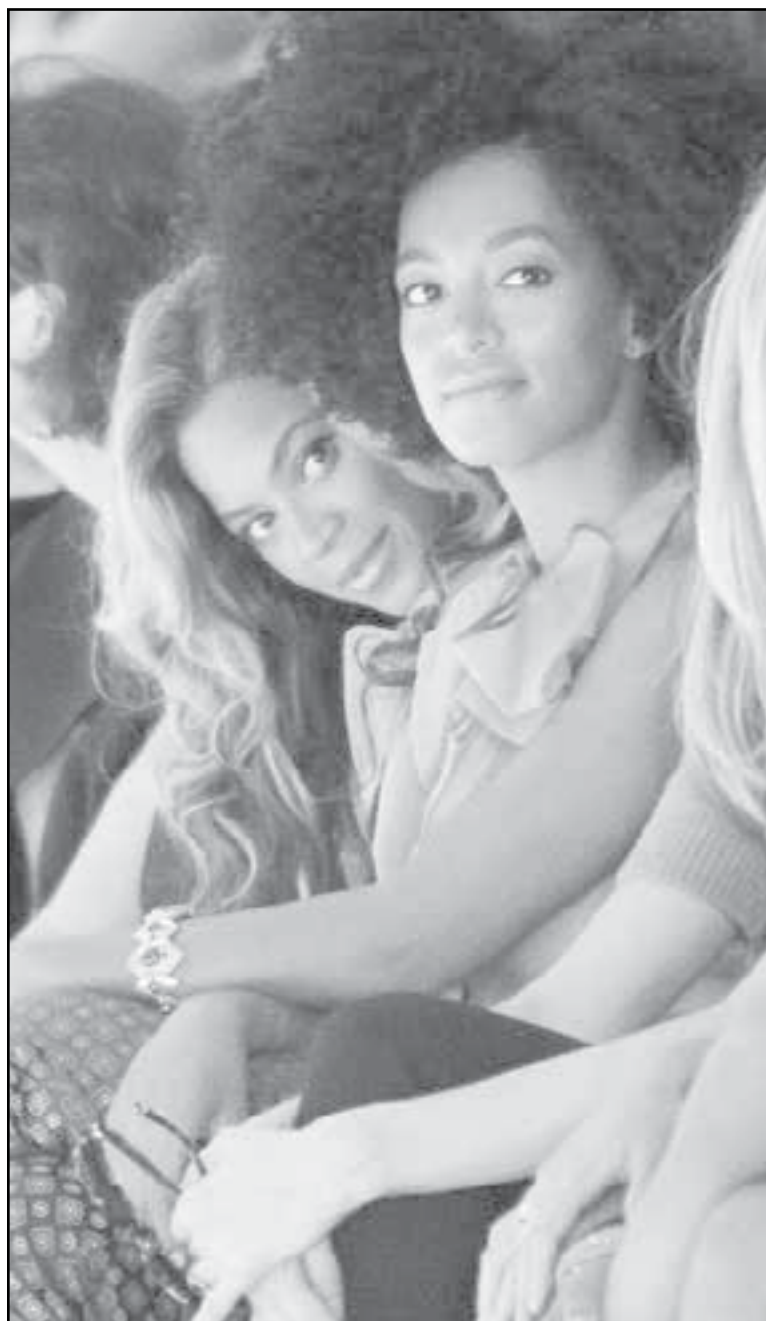
Organizer Shallal joined many guests in expressing the hope that President Trump would be responsive to all, not just those who voted for him. "I hope he will listen to all Americans — not just one side of America," he said.

Trump himself, speaking at the conclusion of the Lincoln Memorial concert earlier, pledged to unify the country, saying he aimed to "make America great for all our people, for everybody."

But he also made sure to repeat the story of his unlikely victory, saying: "I can only tell you this, the polls started going up, up, up, but they didn't want to give us credit because they forgot about a lot of us. Well, you're not forgotten anymore."

Performers at that concert included Sam Moore, who sang "America the Beautiful;" country singers Lee Greenwood and Toby Keith; and the bands 3 Doors Down and The Piano Guys. Broadway singer Jennifer Holliday was not there; she had backed out after an outcry from Trump critics, which she says included death threats. Several other artists were reported to have declined.

Curiously, Trump said that a Lincoln Memorial concert hadn't been done before. In fact, several presidents have staged concerts there, including Barack Obama for his first inauguration, when the lineup featured Beyonce, Bruce Springsteen, U2, James Taylor, Jon Bon Jovi and many more — plus readings by actors like Denzel Washington, Tom Hanks, and Samuel L. Jackson.



FILE - In this Sept. 13, 2011, file photo, Beyonce Knowles, center left, sits with her sister Solange Knowles during the presentation of Vera Wang's Spring 2012 collection in New York. Beyonce interviewed Solange for Interview magazine in a conversation published online on Jan. 10, 2017.

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## Despite campaign to-do list, Donald Trump team coy about his plans

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Donald Trump campaigned on a detailed and extensive to-do list for his first day in office. A day before his swearing-in, his team was being coy about when and how he plans to cross items off it.

As he's assembled his new government, Trump has backed off some of his promised speed, downplaying the importance of a rapid-fire approach to complex issues that may involve negotiations with Congress or foreign leaders. On others issues, he's affirmed his plan, indicating significant policy announcements may be teed up in the first hours and days of the Trump administration.

On Thursday, transition spokesman Sean Spicer said Trump would issue two executive orders on trade soon. On his Day One list, Trump said he would formally declare the United States' intention to withdraw from the 12-nation Trans-Pacific Partnership trade deal, which he vigorously opposed during his campaign as detrimental to U.S. businesses and workers. He also promised to renegotiate the 23-year-old North American Free Trade Agreement or withdraw from the deal.

"I think you will see those happen very shortly," Spicer said.

Other issues likely to see early action include energy, where he's likely to undo regulations on oil drilling and coal, and cybersecurity, where he has already said he will ask for a report on the strength of the nation's cyber defenses within 90 days of taking office.

He's also made broad promises to upend immediately President Barack Obama's immigration policies, although some of those vows may be difficult to keep.

The president-elect has said he sees Monday as the first big workday of his administration, his effective Day One. Trump said at his first post-election news conference last week that people would "have a very good time at the inauguration" but his team planned "some pretty good signings on Monday and Tuesday and Wednesday and Thursday and Friday, and then, also the next week."

The real estate mogul is expected to sign some paperwork on Friday. He must formally nominate members of his Cabinet, in order to allow some of them to be voted on by the Senate. The transition team has

also said he may sign executive orders — some logistical, others focused on his agenda — that will kick off his administration.

"Specifically we've focused in the president-elect's direction on a Day One, Day 100 and Day 200 action plan for keeping our word to the American people and putting the president-elect's promises into practice," Vice President-elect Mike Pence said during a briefing with reporters on Thursday. Pence, who chaired Trump's transition team, added: "We are all ready to go to work. We can't wait to get to work for the American people."

Trump's Day One plan was an ambitious and specific list. It includes proposing a constitutional amendment to impose term limits on members of Congress, imposing a hiring freeze for federal workers, and beginning to remove immigrants who are criminals and living in the country unlawfully.

The list includes "cancel every unconstitutional executive action, memorandum and order issued by President Obama." Given Trump's objections to many of Obama's policies, that category could involve some dramatic changes.

Among those would be cancellation of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, or DACA, which has protected about 750,000 young immigrants from deportation. The program also offered those immigrants work permits.

If he makes good on his promise to terminate the program, Trump could chose to immediately cancel the deportation protection and revoke the work permits, or he could opt to block new enrollment and allow those already approved to keep their work permits until they expire.

Trump has said he plans to focus immigration enforcement efforts first on criminals, a group he said could including 2 million to 3 million people.

Trump also pledged to "move criminal aliens out day one" in operations with state, local and federal authorities. That promise will be harder to keep on his first few days in office. Jurisdictions around the country objected to helping enforce federal immigration laws. He will also face a shortage of jail space. The government has enough money to keep 34,000 people in immigration jails at a time and has recently detained more than 40,000 people because of a surge of immigrants arrested at

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Toby Keith performs at a pre-Inaugural "Make America Great Again! Welcome Celebration" at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017. (AP Photo/David J. Phillip)

**In The High Court of American Samoa TRIAL DIVISION**

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the Mexican border last year.

Also on Trump's list was labeling China a currency manipulator. But Trump said in an interview with The Wall Street Journal last week that he no longer planned to do that on the first day. "I would talk to them first," he said.

If Trump opts for a slower pace, it may be because he is still setting up his administration. He is awaiting confirmation of Cabinet choices and staffing federal agencies and has left vital spots such as the chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers unfilled so far. Instead of unveiling an updated series of policies, Trump devoted part of his transition to meeting with prominent CEOs and touting jobs announcements by their companies. His team has also spent weeks reviewing Obama's executive actions to determine which ones can be eliminated quickly.

Trump's team also faces the daunting process of naming a Supreme Court justice to fill the vacancy left by the late Justice Antonin Scalia. Trump has said he will announce a nominee in about two weeks.

Trump's promises of swift changes have been cheered on by congressional Republicans, who have seen their agenda blocked by Obama for the past eight years. Pence and Trump aides have shared some details for the first few days with House leadership and told lawmakers to expect the incoming president to move quickly to undo Obama's legacy.

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# Pentagon chief says he opposed cutting Manning's prison term



Secretary of Defense Ash Carter is interviewed in his Pentagon office, Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2017, in Washington. Carter said Wednesday he had opposed commuting the prison sentence of convicted leaker Chelsea Manning, who was convicted in 2013 of espionage and other crimes for leaking classified information while deployed in Iraq. (AP Photo/Cliff Owen)

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary Ash Carter said Wednesday he had opposed commuting the prison sentence of convicted leaker Chelsea Manning, who was convicted in 2013 of espionage and other crimes for leaking classified information while deployed in Iraq.

“That was not my recommendation,” Carter said in an Associated Press interview. “I recommended against that, but the president has made his decision.”

Carter declined to elaborate on his view.

President Barack Obama has drawn intense criticism from members of Congress and others for his decision Tuesday to commute Man-

ning’s 35-year prison sentence to about seven years, including the time she spent locked up before she was convicted. Her sentence is now set to expire May 17.

At the time Manning committed the crimes she was known as Bradley Manning and was serving as an Army private.

A judge convicted Manning of 20 counts, including six Espionage Act violations, theft and computer fraud. She was sentenced to 35 years out of a possible maximum of 90. She was acquitted of the most serious charge of aiding the enemy, which carries a possible life sentence.

The now 29-year-old native of Crescent, Okla., leaked

more than 700,000 classified Iraq and Afghanistan war logs and diplomatic cables in 2010 while working as an intel-

ligence analyst in Baghdad. Manning also leaked a 2007 video clip of a U.S. helicopter crew killing at least nine men, including a Reuters news photographer and his driver. The Pentagon later concluded the helicopter crew acted appropriately, having mistaken the camera equipment for weapons.

At a White House news conference Wednesday, Obama firmly defended his Manning decision, arguing she had served a “tough prison sentence” already.

The White House declined to comment on Carter’s remarks but pointed to Obama’s explanation about why he’d granted the commutation.

Obama said his decision took into account the fact that Manning had gone to trial, taken responsibility for her crime and received a sentence that he said was harsher than other leakers had received. He emphasized that he had commuted her sentence, not granted a pardon, which would have symbolically forgiven her for the crime.

“I feel very comfortable that justice has been served,” Obama said, adding, “A message has still been sent that when it comes to our national security, that wherever possible we need folks who may have legitimate concerns about the actions of government or their superiors or the agencies in which they work, that they try to work through the established channels and avail themselves of the whistleblower protections that have been put in place.”

The president said he does not accept the argument of

critics that the commutation sends the wrong message to others in the military.

“The notion that the average person who was thinking about disclosing vital, classified information would think that it goes unpunished, I don’t think would get that impression from the sentence that Chelsea Manning has served,” Obama said.

Vice President-elect Mike Pence said Obama’s decision on Manning was a mistake and called the convicted leaker a “traitor.”

Pence said in an interview airing Wednesday night with Fox News’ Brett Baier that Manning’s actions compromised national security, endangered American personnel and compromised individuals in Afghanistan who were cooperating with U.S. forces.

One name missing from the list of pardons and commutations the White House announced Tuesday is U.S. Army Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl. The former prisoner of war is accused of endangering comrades by walking off his post in Afghanistan in 2009, and has asked Obama for a pardon. He was captured by the Taliban and held prisoner for five years.

A pardon would allow Bergdahl to avert a military trial scheduled for April. He faces charges of desertion and misbehavior before the enemy. The misbehavior charge carries a maximum penalty of life in prison.

Asked about the Bergdahl case, Carter told the AP: “That one hasn’t come to me yet in any way. It’s a law enforcement matter, so I really can’t comment on it.”



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# Trump to take oath of office amid deep uncertainty



President-elect Donald Trump talks with Speaker of the House Rep. Paul Ryan, R-Wis., during a VIP reception and dinner with donors, Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017, in Washington. (AP Photo/Evan Vucci)

LISA LERER, Associated Press WASHINGTON (AP) — Just before noon, Donald Trump will stand in front of the U.S. Capitol, place his hand on Abraham Lincoln's Bible and take the oath of office as the next president of the United States.

And the world will hold its breath.

Will Trump move ahead with his original call to temporarily bar Muslims from coming to the U.S., or stick with the revision for "extreme vetting" of potential immigrants?

Will he debut a plan to provide health insurance to all Americans, or side with Republicans in Congress who have less lofty ambitions to replace President Barack Obama's health care law? Will he enter a new arms race with Russia, or trade sanctions relief for a deal cutting both nations' stockpile of nuclear weapons?

Based on all that Trump said during his rule-breaking campaign for president, and the promises he and his nascent team of advisers made during the transition that followed, it's impossible to say.

Trump has cast the opacity of his intentions as an asset, and his advisers have chided reporters at times for taking everything their boss says "so literally."

Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich said he knows what Trump will do Friday: give his inaugural address. But even he, a Trump ally and informal adviser, has no idea

the new president will do next. "He's not a traditional politician. He's not going to be a traditional politician," Gingrich told cheering New York Republicans arriving in Washington on Thursday for the inauguration. "None of us who elected him want him to be a traditional politician."

Despite that Election Day success, Trump enters the White House as the least popular president in four decades, according to a number of surveys.

A Pew Research Center poll released on the eve of his inauguration found that 86 percent of Americans believe the country is more politically divided than in the past, the highest number since the question was first asked in 2004.

Even Trump's inauguration festivities have become controversial, upending a long tradition of both parties celebrating the peaceful transition of power.

Nearly 70 House Democrats plan to boycott the ceremony. Tens of thousands will protest on the National Mall the day after his inauguration.

The Girl Scouts have come under fire for marching in the inaugural parade, an event the group has participated in for more than a century.

Part of this unease undoubtedly stems from the uncertainty about what exactly comes next.

Trump's team have set forth few specific details of his top policy priorities — health care reform, infrastructure legisla-

tion and overhauling the tax code among them.

His incoming administration has not specified whether Trump will fulfill a campaign promise to take 18 major executive actions on his first day in office. It's not yet clear if the U.S. will accept an invitation to attend Monday's Russian-supported Syria peace talks in Kazakhstan.

While Republicans are generally energized by Trump's win, some are also frustrated by the outstanding questions about his key proposals. "We'll see what he does," said Massachusetts GOP chairwoman Kirsten Hughes.

When Trump recently said he would craft a health care plan that provides "insurance for everybody" — a repudiation of years of GOP opposition to expanding government's role in the health care system

— he rattled Republicans on Capitol Hill. Vice President Mike Pence backed away from the idea of universal coverage four days later, further adding to the confusion.

"It's possible the information is conflicting, it's possible we're just not used to hearing the new president communicate yet," Missouri Republican Sen. Roy Blunt told CNN this week.

It's not even clear who Trump will have at his side in the first days of his time in office.

When President Barack Obama took office in 2009, the Senate confirmed seven Cabinet members on Inauguration Day.

Republicans and Democrats are still negotiating over Trump's picks, and it looks unlikely more than four will make it through on Friday.

According to the Partnership for Public Service, a non-profit that's advised Trump's transition, his team has nominated 29 of the 690 federal government positions that require Senate confirmation.

Aides announced Thursday that Trump had asked 50 senior Obama administration appointees to remain in their posts after his inauguration to ensure continuity in government.

Yet for all the disquiet that surrounds his arrival in Washington, Trump appears unfazed by it all. At the first stop on his inauguration weekend agenda, Thursday for a lunch-time gathering of supporters, future staffers and appointees at his Washington hotel.

"I just want to let the world know we're doing very well together," he said.

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*In this image supplied by MSF, smoke rises from a burnt out shelter at a camp for displaced people in Rann, Nigeria, Tuesday Jan. 17, 2017. Relief volunteers are believed to be among the more than 100 dead after a Nigerian Air Force jet fighter mistakenly bombed the refugee camp, while on a mission against Boko Haram extremists.*

(Medecins Sans Frontieres (MSF) via AP)

**In The High Court of American Samoa TRIAL DIVISION**

HCCA No.: 001-17

In the Matter of the Petition for Name Change by **TIFI PAULO OLOAPU**  
Petitioner

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Petition has been filed in the High Court of American Samoa, Territory of American Samoa, by TIFI PAULO OLOAPU of the village of Fagatogo, American Samoa, born October 23, 1998, at the LBJ Tropical Medical Center in Faga'alu, American Samoa. Petitioner is requesting the Court to approve a change of his legal name to TIFI PAULO TA'ALOLO.

A hearing on the Petition will be held on April 19, 2017 at 9:00 a.m./p.m., or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard, before the Trial Division of the High Court of American Samoa, at the High Court Building in Fagatogo, American Samoa. All interested parties may appear before the Court on said date and time to respond to this Petition.

**Dated: January 05, 2017**

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Published: 1/20/17

# Nigerian air force bombs refugee camp, more than 100 dead

MAIDUGURI, Nigeria (AP) — A Nigerian air force fighter jet on a mission against Boko Haram extremists mistakenly bombed a refugee camp on Tuesday, killing more than 100 refugees and aid workers and wounding 200, a government official and doctors said.

Military commander Maj. Gen. Lucky Irabor confirmed an accidental bombardment in the northeastern town of Rann, near the border with Cameroon, saying “some” civilians were killed.

It was believed to be the first time Nigeria’s military has acknowledged making such a mistake in a region where villagers have in the past reported civilian casualties in the near-daily bombings targeting the Islamic militants.

Nigeria’s President Muhammadu Buhari expressed deep sadness and regret at “this regrettable operational mistake.”

A Borno state government official, who was helping to coordinate the evacuation of wounded from the remote area by helicopters, said more than 100 refugees and aid workers were among the dead. He spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak to reporters.

Doctors Without Borders said its team based in Rann counted at least 52 bodies and was treating 200 wounded, many in critical condition, and the death toll was expected to rise.

“This large-scale attack on vulnerable people who have already fled from extreme violence is shocking and unacceptable,” said Dr. Jean-Clément Cabrol, the aid group’s director of operations.

As night fell, the group’s team struggled to stabilize the seriously wounded. “We hope that during the night not many more people will die,” said the group’s head of emergency programs, Hugues Robert, describing a complex evacuation because the area is insecure.

Photographs of the carnage showed a man carrying a wounded child, his clothing stained with blood, as well as bloodied victims being treated

on the ground outside a tent clinic overflowing with the wounded. Nearby, corpses lay covered by blankets and prayer mats, alongside mounds of hastily dug graves.

After the attack, the charred remains of makeshift corrugated iron lean-tos and mud homes filled the landscape.

The International Committee for the Red Cross said six workers with the Nigerian Red Cross were among the dead and 13 were wounded. “They were part of a team that had brought in desperately needed food for over 25,000 displaced persons,” spokesman Jason Straziuso said in a statement from Nairobi, Kenya.

Two soldiers were also wounded, as well as Nigerians working for Doctors Without Borders, Irabor said, without giving a precise figure.

The general, who is the theater commander for counterinsurgency operations in northeast Nigeria, said he ordered the mission based on information that Boko Haram insurgents were gathering in the area, along with geographic coordinates.

It was too early to say if a tactical error was made, he said, adding that the bombing would be investigated.

Doctors Without Borders spokesman Etienne l’Hermitte in Geneva urged authorities to facilitate cross-border land and air evacuations.

“Our medical and surgical teams in Cameroon and Chad are ready to treat wounded patients. We are in close contact with our teams, who are in shock following the event,” he said in a statement.

Villagers have previously reported civilian casualties in airstrikes on Boko Haram positions in northeastern Nigeria.


Some of the schoolgirls kidnapped by the insurgents in 2014 and freed last year have said three of their classmates were killed by air force bombardments, according to the freed girls’ parents. Of the nearly 300 schoolgirls who were abducted, 196 remain missing.

The bombings have helped drive Boko Haram out of many towns and villages and,

according to Buhari, the insurgents’ last stronghold in the Sambisa Forest last month.

Boko Haram’s 7-year-old Islamic uprising has killed more than 20,000 people and

forced 2.6 million from their homes, creating the continent’s worst humanitarian crisis, with the United Nations warning some 5.1 million people face starvation.



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# Inauguration Day: Trump to become America's 45th president



President-elect Donald Trump, left, and his wife Melania Trump arrive to the "Make America Great Again Welcome Concert" at the Lincoln Memorial, Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017, in Washington.

(AP Photo/Evan Vucci)

JULIE PACE, AP White House Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Donald Trump, a real estate mogul and reality television star who upended American politics and energized voters angry with Washington, will be sworn in Friday as the 45th president of the United States, putting Republicans in control of the White House for the first time in eight years.

Ebullient Trump supporters flocked to the nation's capital for the inaugural festivities, some wearing red hats emblazoned with his "Make America Great Again" campaign slogan. But in a sign of the deep divisions Trump sowed during his combative campaign, dozens of Democratic lawmakers were boycotting the swearing-in ceremony on Capitol Hill.

While Trump came to power bucking convention, he was wrapping himself in the traditional pomp and pageantry that accompanies the peaceful transfer of power. The president-in-waiting will attend church with his family Friday morning, then meet President Barack Obama and first lady

Michelle Obama for tea at the White House. The Trumps and the Obamas will travel together in the presidential limousine for the short trip to the Capitol for the noon swearing-in ceremony.

Aides said Trump had been personally invested in crafting his inaugural address, a relatively brief 20-minute speech that is expected to center on his vision for what it means to be an American. Spokesman Sean Spicer said the address would be "less of an agenda and more of a philosophical document."

Trump has pledged to upend Obama's major domestic and national security policies, including repealing his signature health care law and building a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border. But he's offered few details of how he plans to accomplish his agenda, often sending contradictory signals.

The three days of inaugural festivities kicked off Thursday. Trump left his Trump-branded jet in New York and flew to Washington in a government plane, saluting an Air Force officer as he descended the steps with his wife,

Melania. He and the incoming vice president, Mike Pence, solemnly laid a wreath at Arlington National Cemetery before joining supporters for an evening concert at the Lincoln Memorial.

"We're going to unify our country," Trump said at the close of the two-hour concert featuring country star Toby Keith, soul's Sam Moore and The Piano Guys. But not singer Jennifer Holliday: she backed out after an outcry from Trump critics.

With rain a possibility, the National Park Service announced that it was easing its "no umbrella" policy for Friday, allowing collapsible umbrellas along the parade route and on the National Mall.

The nation's soon-to-be president joked about the chance of a downpour. "That's OK," Trump told campaign donors at an event Thursday night, "because people will realize it's my real hair."

"Might be a mess, but they're

going to see that it's my real hair," he said.

The lack of A-list star power — as well as the threat of showers — did little to dampen the spirits of Trump supporters looking ahead to the day.

Chris Lehmann, 55, a maintenance supervisor from Belmar, New Jersey, said: "I'm so excited, I'm like on top of the world."

Eleanor Haven, 83, of Alexander City, Alabama, was

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### In The High Court of American Samoa

HCDR No. 70-16

EPE MA'ANAIMA,  
Petitioner

VS

FERETI MA'ANAIMA,  
Respondent

#### NOTICE/FA'ASALALAUGA

TO: FERETI MA'ANAIMA

YOU ARE HEREBY GIVEN NOTICE that a Petitioner for Divorce has been filed before the High Court of American Samoa on or about November 7, 2016 seeking the dissolution of your marriage to Petitioner Epe Ma'anaima ("Petitioner"). A full copy of the Petition for Divorce may be obtained from the law firm of Tauiliili-Langkilde Law, P.O. Box 99-8081, Pago Pago, American Samoa, 96799. You are required to serve an Answer to the Petition on Petitioner's attorney, Gwen Tauiliili-Langkilde of Tauiliili-Langkilde Law, whose contact details are provided above, no later than two (2) months and ten (10) days after the date of the first publication of this Notice. You must also serve a copy of your Answer on the Clerk of the High Court, whose address is P.O. Box 309, Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799. If you fail to do so, a judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the Petition for Divorce.

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Dated/Aso: December 16, 2016

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Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe delivers his policy speech during a Diet session at the lower house of parliament in Tokyo, Friday, Jan. 20, 2017. Abe said Friday that he plans to visit the U.S. as soon as possible to meet with President-elect Donald Trump. Speaking on the eve of Trump's inauguration, he called the U.S.-Japan alliance an "unchanging principle" for his country's foreign and security policy. (AP Photo/Koji Sasahara)

# Japan PM pledges 'unchanging' allegiance to US under Trump

TOKYO (AP) — Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe said Friday that he plans to visit the U.S. as soon as possible to meet with incoming U.S. President Donald Trump.

Speaking on the eve of Trump's inauguration, he called the U.S.-Japan alliance an "unchanging principle" for his country's foreign and security policy. His urgency to meet Trump reflects worries in Japan about how Trump's "America first" policy will affect U.S. commitments to the Asia region, as well as fallout from any heightened tensions with China and North Korea.

Abe was the first foreign leader to meet Trump after the U.S. election, making a stop in New York in November on his way to Latin America.

"The Japan-U.S. alliance is the cornerstone of our country's foreign and security policy, in the past, present and in the future," Abe told parliament in an annual policy address. "It's an unchanging principle."

Abe said he wants to meet Trump to deepen that relationship further. Trump will be sworn in as president Friday.

"I plan to further strengthen the bond with new President Trump," Abe said. He didn't give a specific date, but local media reports have mentioned late January as a possibility.

In the speech at the parliament, Abe also said the two allies, enemies in World War II, have a responsibility to show "the power of reconciliation" as they work together to contribute to global peace and prosperity.

Abe reiterated his concerns about "heightened tension" in the region amid China's increasingly assertive maritime

activity, and pledged to step up cooperation with other countries in the Asia-Pacific region, including India, Australia and those in southeast Asia.

He said he wants to keep the U.S. troop presence on the southern island of Okinawa as "deterrence."

During his election campaign, Trump demanded that Tokyo pay more of the cost to keep the 50,000 U.S. troops stationed in the country under a bilateral security pact, threatening to pull them out otherwise.

He has not said that after being elected, presumably following repeated reminders by Japanese officials that Japan makes significant host-nation contributions.




Experts say Japan has benefited from its alliance with Washington largely because of the U.S.-led world order. With some worried about how that could change under a Trump administration, Japan should do its utmost to convince his administration that the alliance is important for both sides.

"I guess we took American internationalism too much for granted ... It has always been, at least after World War II, the bedrock of the international order. And I would say that Japan was the country that benefited from the existence of this world order the most," said Toshihiro Nakayama, a Keio University international politics professor.

He said Japan needs to get Trump to convince his people that America should remain committed to the region so they don't retreat into isolation.

"We have to convince the Americans to stay committed in this region," Nakayama said.

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# Timing of Mexico drug lord's extradition seen as political



Soldiers wait at the airport after the extradition of drug lord Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017. Mexico's Foreign Relations Department announced Guzman was handed over to U.S. authorities for transportation to the U.S. on Thursday, the last day of President Barack Obama's administration and a day before Donald Trump is to be inaugurated. (AP Photo/Christian Torres)

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman's abrupt exit to face charges in the U.S. marks the end of an era in which he was Mexico's most notorious drug cartel boss and, for some, the stuff of folk legend.

It's also seen by many in Mexico as a delicately timed maneuver aimed at limiting political fallout for President Enrique Pena Nieto, already deeply unpopular in part for his perceived mishandling of Donald Trump's tough rhetoric on Mexico.

Deputy Attorney General Alberto Elias Beltran, asked at a Thursday night news conference about the timing of Guzman's extradition, said the federal government cannot interfere in court decisions.

"It was resolved today, and we under terms of the international treaty had to make the handover immediately," he said.

But observers still considered the timing to have been carefully planned.

"It could be a coincidence, but I think that's unlikely," Mexican security analyst Alejandro Hope said, noting it came the last full day of Barack Obama's presidency and hours before Trump's inauguration.

"They could not send him after Trump was inaugurated because the interpretation would have been that of a tribute," Hope said. "But maybe they wanted to do it close enough so that both administrations — the outgoing and the incoming — could really make some political hay out of this."

Others saw it as a reward to Obama and a shot across the bow of Trump, who has called immigrants coming illegally from Mexico criminals and "rapists" and vowed to build a border wall and make Mexico pay for it.

"The Mexican government decided to move up the time frame because they didn't want

Trump to be in the presidency when they sent him over," said Michael Vigil, the former head of international operations for the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. "They wanted Obama to take credit. They wanted to send a message to Trump that they won't be bullied."

Guzman's departure came the same day Mexican officials announced high-level talks Jan. 25-26 in Washington. The discussions will include Mexico's newly installed top diplomat, Luis Videgaray, and key Trump administration officials such as chief of staff Reince Priebus, son-in-law and senior adviser Jared Kushner and senior adviser Stephen Bannon.

Hope said the timing also sends a message that Mexico is serious about anti-drug cooperation regardless of who occupies the White House.

Sen. Miguel Barbosa of the leftist opposition Democratic Revolution Party seized on the extradition to take a swipe at Pena Nieto. He said it was apparently the only choice after Guzman twice pulled off embarrassing escapes from maximum-security lockups.

"We should not celebrate that the Mexican state was not capable of processing the greatest criminal that has ever existed in Mexico and was not capable of guaranteeing his incarceration," Barbosa said in a statement.

Pena Nieto currently has the lowest approval ratings for any Mexican leader in the polling era. Besides his handling of Trump, Mexicans are also angry about corruption, rising drug gang violence and a Jan. 1 deregulation that led gasoline prices to spike by as much as 20 percent.

Guzman lawyer Andres Granados accused the government of trying to distract the public.

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## In The High Court of American Samoa FAMILY, DRUG AND ALCOHOL COURT DIVISIONS

FDA/JG No. 25-16

### IN RE: A CHILD NOTICE/FA'AALIGA

TO: Mr. Faauga Laititi & Fiaavae Betty Patane Laititi Nu'uuli Village Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the above-named respondents the a petition has been filed before the High Court of American Samoa to appoint Legal Guardians for your male child born on April 18, 2009, at LBJ Medical Center, Fagaalu, American Samoa. A hearing will be held after two months and ten days from the date of the first publication of this notice, in which the Court may enter an order appointing legal guardians for your child. If you have any objection, you must appear within two months and ten days from the date of the first publication of this notice and file an objection or a claim with the Court.

O LE FAAALIGA E TUUINA ATU ia te oulua o loo ta'ua lua suafa i luga, ua iai se talosaga ua failaina i le Faamasinoga Maualuga o Amerika Samoa, ina ia tofia aloaia mai se tagata poo ni tagata e vaavaaia, faaa'oga ma faia so oulua alo tama faapea sa fanau o ia i le aso 18 o Aperila, 2009, i le Falema'i i Fagaalu, Amerika Samoa. Afai e te lua tete'e i lenei talosaga, e tatau ona oulua failaina se talosaga tete'e i le Faamasinoga i totonu o le lua masina ma aso e sefulu mai le ulula'i faasalalauga o lenei mataupu.

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### PUBLIC JOB POSTING

Position Title	Information Systems Specialist	Posting Date	January 9, 2017
Department	ICT	Deadline	January 20, 2017 4:00 PM
Division	Support Services	Pay Rate	\$11.87 to \$13.79 per hour
Position Type	Career Service - 12 months probation	Job Grade/Status	H/1/A-H/4/D, Non-Exempt
Reports To	ICT Manager		

#### Major Duties & Responsibilities

Highly responsible, professional, technical, and administrative work of considerable difficulty involving coordination of short and long range planning, analysis, report design, implementation and maintenance of mission-critical business process solutions for ASPA's ICT department. Incumbent is responsible for maintaining the department's information technology database and reporting needs using networked and distributed computing architectures and applications. Work is performed under the general supervision of the ICT Supervisor. Serves as administrator for the on-going maintenance of ASPA's Information Communication Technology Departments' information technology systems, applications and databases, as applicable. Coordinates the research, analysis, installation, maintenance and management for the department's operating and application system software and hardware. Provides technical support to system users. Manages, monitors and analyzes system and application performance, documents problems and explores, evaluates, and recommends solutions. Coordinates the design of database structures and develops documentation standards for the effective use, control, updating, maintenance and back-up of databases. Assures integrity of database design and complimentary report software - Showcase, including database reports. Assures proper and balanced interface between specific business applications/systems and ASPA's primary systems, as applicable. Researches, plans, develops, coordinates and performs the implementation of system/application changes, including upgrades, updates, modifications and customizations and maintains documentation for changes implemented. Researches, previews, and tests application/systems new releases, fixes, updates and expanded functional uses. Provides training and support to system users. Serves as liaison between functional users, department management and ISS technical staff. Performs related work as required. Other Important Duties keeps informed and abreast of major trends and developments in the computer field. May perform selected duties of the administrative supervisor, as necessary. Performs related work as required.

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Education	Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science or Information System Management
Experience	Three (3) years related work experience in information technology.
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People hold signs of "No!" as they listen to speakers at an anti-Trump rally and protest hosted by filmmaker Michael Moore in front of the Trump International Hotel, Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017, in New York. President-elect Donald Trump, a New Yorker, is scheduled to take the oath of office Friday at his inauguration in Washington. (AP Photo/Kathy Willens)

# Actors, mayors rally at inauguration eve Trump demonstration

NEW YORK (AP) — Actors Robert De Niro, Sally Field and Mark Ruffalo joined hundreds of other people outside a Donald Trump building on Thursday for a pre-inauguration demonstration organizers said was meant to energize those concerned about the Republican president-

elect's policies. The event, staged in front of Trump International Hotel and Tower near Central Park in Manhattan, was a rally for city residents who have vowed to pursue their own policies on health care, the environment and other issues during the Trump administration. The mayors of Minneapolis and New York attended.

"We can't just mope," said Bronx resident Jawanza Clark, who attended the gathering with his two sons, ages 10 and 5. "I want to give them a sense of the America they're inheriting, the fact that they have to lift their voices up."

Civic-mindedness was a theme throughout the evening.

Movie director Michael Moore urged people to regularly call their representatives in Congress. And actor Alec Baldwin, who portrays Trump on NBC's "Saturday Night Live," said Americans wary of Trump's policies should become more involved.

Baldwin briefly did his Trump impression, which has drawn barbs from the president-elect.

Among the groups that helped organize the event were Greenpeace, Planned Parenthood and MoveOn.org.

Some mayors, including New York Democrat Bill de Blasio, have made a point of defying potential Trump policies.

But a Quinnipiac University poll released Thursday shows New Yorkers are split on how de Blasio should deal with the Trump White House. Forty-six percent said de Blasio should try to get along with Trump, while 45 percent said de Blasio should be a national leader in opposing Trump's policies.

Trump, a billionaire New York real estate mogul, was in Washington, D.C., where he's scheduled to be sworn in Friday as the 45th president.

He won the election in part through his vows to pump up the American economy and end many liberal policies of the outgoing Obama administration.

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# Trump steps into security bubble; will he bring his phone?

WASHINGTON (AP) — A few hours after President-elect Donald Trump was briefed by intelligence officials about Russian meddling in the election, an Associated Press reporter called his cellphone seeking an interview.

The call went to voicemail and the reporter did not leave a message. About an hour later, Trump called back.

It's hard to imagine many politicians — particularly one about to become president of the United States — calling back an unknown number on their cellphone.

With Trump, it's simply how business gets done, whether he's fielding calls from real estate partners and longtime friends or foreign leaders and congressional lawmakers in the weeks after the election.

But as Trump prepares to take the oath of office Friday, the future of his ever-present Android smartphone is now a matter of national security. On Thursday, he told a friend that he had given up his phone, as security agencies had urged him to do. It was unclear whether he was following the lead of President Barack Obama, the nation's first cellphone-toting president, who exchanged his personal device for a BlackBerry heavily modified for security purposes.

The friend who spoke with Trump spoke to The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity in order to disclose the private conversation.

The presidency has long been a lonely, isolating office, with security concerns keeping the commander in chief at a distance from the public. Under Obama, worries about cyber intrusions — particularly by foreign governments — pulled the president's technology deeper into the security bubble as well. Many of the functions on Obama's BlackBerry were blocked and only a handful of people had his phone number or email address.

Trump doesn't email, but he uses his phone to tweet — something he's made clear he plans to continue in office. He's known to make calls early in the morning and late at night, often seeking input from multiple sources when making a decision. Sometimes he leaves a voicemail.

Christopher Ruddy, the CEO of Newsmax and a friend of the president-elect, described Trump's phone etiquette, as "just like one of his speeches, it's very stream of

consciousness."

Sen. Bob Corker, R-Tenn., called Trump "amazingly accessible," saying the president-elect picks up his phone even when he doesn't know who is calling.

"My phone says, No Caller ID, so I'm not saying that it has anything to do with me," Corker said. "Nobody knows who it is that's calling when I'm calling."

Foreign leaders and diplomats took advantage of Trump's accessibility in the days after his election as they scrambled to find ways to reach him. Some called into Trump Tower hoping to be transferred to the president-elect's office. Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull got Trump's cellphone number from the golfer Greg Norman.

Trump's accessibility can create headaches for his aides, who can't always control who he's speaking to or what he's saying. After actress Meryl Streep blasted Trump during a Golden Globes speech earlier this month, a New York Times reporter called the president-elect at midnight to get a response. Trump's criticism of Streep dominated the news the following day, overshadowing his team's planned agenda.

For Obama, getting to use a BlackBerry in office was considered a victory. He later switched to an iPhone that allowed him to send and receive email from a limited group of people, surf websites and read the news.

But Obama wasn't known to use his cellphone to make or receive telephone calls, according to individuals familiar with his technology use. Even senior government officials didn't have the number and instead reached the president through the White House switchboard.

The president also used the switchboard to place his calls, said the individuals, who weren't authorized to speak publicly and requested anonymity.

Obama had a phone in his control that he used to tweet, one of the only devices with access to the official presidential Twitter feed due to hacking concerns. But Obama rarely hit "send" on a tweet himself, and never without coordinating it with his staff, the individuals said.

If Trump does get rid of his cellphone, it could end up with a home not far from the White House.



President-elect Donald Trump and his wife Melania Trump attend a pre-Inaugural "Make America Great Again! Welcome Celebration" at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017.

(AP Photo/David J. Phillip)

Curators at the Newseum, which chronicles the First Amendment and the evolution of electronic communication, reached out to Trump's heard back, said Carrie Christ-offersen, the museum's curator of collections.

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## AMERICAN SAMOA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Department of Academic Affairs

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

**Position Title:** HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES INSTRUCTOR  
**Employment Status:** Full Time/Career Service

**General Description:**

The Health and Human Services Department supports and prepares students who are interested in pursuing a career and majoring in the fields of allied health or human services. The department offers Associate degree in Health, Human Services, and a Certificate of Proficiency in Guidance and Counseling, and Certificate of Proficiency in Public Health for students who plan to transfer to a four year institution off island or seek local employment in the related professions. The Health and Human Services Department is directly under Academic Affairs Division and supervised by the Chairperson.

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- Collect, prepare, and present instructional materials for all classes to be taught
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- Develop, implement, and assess Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) for each course taught.
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**Application Deadline:** Thursday, February 2, 2017 @ 4:00pm

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[ata: Leua Aiono Frost]

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# Tu'uaia se ali'i i lona fasi fa'amo'amo'a o si ona to'alua

tusia Ausage Fausia

O le ali'i lea na tatala i tua e le fa'amasinoga fa'aitumalo i le aso Lua na te'a nei, i le mae'a ai lea o lona teena o tu'uiaiga mama o le fa'ao'olima i le tulaga tolu fa'apea ai ma le fa'atupu vevesi i totonu o lona aiga, e mafua mai i le fa'alavelave lea na ia fasi fa'amo'amo'aina ai si ona faletua, ua toe taofia nei o ia ma tuu'aia e le malo i le moliaga mamafa o le fa'ao'olima i le tulaga lua.

O manu'a na a'afia ai le fafine e aofia ai le totolia o le tele o vaega o lona tino e aofia ai lona papatua, fa'apea ai ma ona foliga e tau le pupula uma ona mata e lua toe solouli atoa.

Sa i ai i totonu o le potu fa'amasinoga le fafine na a'afia, o lona uso ma lona Tama i le taimi na valaau ai le mataupu a le ali'i ua molia, peita'i ina ua tu'uina mai le poloaiga a le fa'amasinoga e tatala ai le ua molia e aunoa ma se tupe e totogi, sa molimauina e le Samoa News le lulu o le ulu o le

fafine ma autilo i lona uso o loo la nonofo fa'atasi.

O ni isi o tuutuuga na tu'uina atu e le afiga i le ali'i fa'amasinoga ia Fiti Sunia e tatala ai le ali'i ua molia, e le gata o le fa'asa lea ona ia toe taumafai e fa'afeso'ota'i lona to'alua, ae sa poloaina fo'i le fa'asa lea ona ia toe soli se tulafono.

O le aso 30 Ianuari i le itula e 12:00 lea na fa'atulaga e toe valaau ai le mataupu a le ali'i ua molia, i luma o le Fa'amasinoga o Aiga, Fualaau Fa'asaina ma le Avamalosi (FDA).

E talitonu le Samoa News, o le mae'a ai o le iloiloga a le ali'i ua molia i le aso Lua na te'a nei, na toe aga'i ai loa le fafine na a'afia i le Ofisa o Leoleo mo le toe fa'atalanoaina o le mataupu e tusa ai o le fa'alavelave sa tula'i mai, ma toe faia ai loa suiga i le ripoti a Leoleo e aofia ai ma le toe suia lea o le moliaga fa'asaga i le ali'i ua molia.

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(Faaauau itulau 19)



# Onosa'i i Mea Tiga

Tusia: *Akenese Ilialo Zec*  
**VAEGA: 45**

Ia malo le soifua maua i lenei taeao toto'a, malo fo'i le onosa'i i faiva ma tiute o lo'o feagai ai i lenei aso, e i ai pea le fa'amoemoe, o lo'o maualuga pea le alofa o le Atua mo i tatou i aso uma. Ae alo maia, o le a toe fa'aauau atu la tatou tala mo lenei aso.

Na muta mai la tatou tala, ina ua taunu'u nei le malaga a Lilo ma le toeaia o Lefefe ia fa'atasi ai ma le tama o Vesi i le fale o le aiga o Loleta aua le fa'amalamalama a Lilo i le tama'ita'i ua fiafia i ai lona loto ma lona mafaufau. Se amuia Loleta ia, ua alu i ai le fa'amalamalama, ia a'o le tusi tala e pei lava o si lo'omatua o Malia, na ona fa'apea mai a o le Palagi, "You wanna marry me?" Alu atu loa ma le tali latou e le i toe fa'atali, "Yes Sir, shake it but don't break it." Ea ea loa ma le tusi tala i le va'alele alu sa'o lava i Amrika, e o uma tagata i Amerika, ae alu le tusi tala i Amerika.

Ua savavali nei i totonu o le fale ia Lefefe ma Vesi, ae ua mulimuli atu i tua Lilo ma Loleta. Fai mai le tala, na u ane i ai autafa o le lo'omatua o Susitina e le fia pupula ane i le tama lea ua saofa'i atu nei i totonu o le fale. Ae ua vala'au ane le matai o le aiga o Falaniko e fa'afeiloa'i le malaga lea ua alu ane.

E le i tu mai i luga le lo'omatua o Susitina, o lea na savali atu ai loa Lefefe ma fa'afeiloa'i. Fai mai, na iloa mamao atu lava e Lefefe le mea lea ua tupu. E o'o fo'i ia Vesi, ua pei o le 'ata i le fa'ata i a Vesi ia uiga o le tina o Loleta lea ua fa'aali mai nei ia la'ua.

E leai ma se gagana ane o le lo'omatua, a ua na o le tapilipili o lona ili ma fa'asaga i le isi itu.

"Ia affio maia ma tala mai a'ao, fa'afetai i le alofa o le Atua ua tatou feiloa'i i luma o nu'u ae le o tua o nu'u." O le tala lea na fa'afeiloa'i ane ai e le matai o le aiga o Falaniko ia Lefefe, ae fai

mai na ma'oga a'e lava i luga le leo o le lo'omatua, "E a, o tua o ai le na ua feiloa'i ai." E fai a tala a le lo'omatua, ma save'u le fala lili'i o lo'o nofo ai.

Na pupula to'a ane nei le toeaia o Falaniko ma lona le malie tele, ae ua onosa'i lava le toeaia, se i ma'ea lelei mea uma ona liliu atu loa lea i le lo'omatua. Na tali mai Lefefe i le fa'afeiloa'i a le matai o le aiga o Loleta, ma o upu lava ua masani ai le atunu'u i tulaga fa'apea. E le i umi lava, ae vala'au fesili ane loa Lefefe ia Vesi, po'o fea o i ai Lilo.

Na tu a'e nei i luga Vesi ma savali loa i fafo e vala'au ia Lilo e alu atu i totonu o le fale. E savali mai i fafo Vesi, ua si'o atoa e tagata faigaluega le tama o Lilo ma le teine o Loleta, ua o'o ane le aufaigaluega e feiloa'i i le tama o le a avea ma to'alua o Loleta ma ona fesoasoani i aso uma o lona ola.

E moni lava le upu, ua mamalu le atiu i le aoa, aua ua pei ua 'ese lava lea afiafi i le fale o le lo'omatua ma le toeaia. Fai mai le tala, ina ua oso a'e i fafo le tama o Lilo, na fa'ataupupula uma ane i ai tagata faigaluega, ae maise fo'i o i latou o lo'o o'o atu e fai a latou fa'atau i le faleoloa o Falaniko ma Susitina.

Ua na o le tilotilo ane nei i a Lilo, i le lalelei o lenei tama, e fai o lona faitino ma ona foliga, a'o le va'ai fo'i a tagata i lea taimi, e foliga mai ua pei ua toe fa'aopoopo le la lelei o Lilo i lea aso. Na tu nei Vesi ma tilotilo ane i a Lilo, ua 'ese fo'i le va'ai a Vesi latou i lea taimi, ua lolofi ane nei i ai tagata ma fa'atalofa ma latou feiloa'i.

Na tu nei Vesi ma tilotilo ane i ai, ma na vala'au loa, "Lilo, sau ia o lo'o fa'atali mai matua o Loleta, la na fai mai e te lua o atu i totonu." I le taimi na tu ai i luga Vesi e savali mai i fafo e avatu Lilo. O le taimi fo'i lea na 'atigu ai ma nifo o le lo'omatua o Susitina ma fa'apea ona mafaufauga, "E, ua ma'imau si a'u tama i lenei tagata."

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Na finau le loia a le ua molia ia Kate Hannaher i le fa'amasinoga mo se avanoa e fa'aitiitia ai le tupe lea ua fa'atulaga e tatala ai le ua molia i tua, peita'i na tete'e i ai le loia al e malo ia John Bengelly ona o ni isi o mafua'aga sa ia fa'aioa i le fa'amasinoga.

Na taua e Bengelly e faapea, o le taimi lava na tatala ai i tua le ua molia i le aso Lua na te'a nei, na ia taumafai ai loa e toe fa'afeso'ota'i lona to'alua e ala i lona telefoni i ai. Na finau le

loia a le malo e fa'apea, talu ai o le puipuiga i le saogalemu o le tina sa a'afia, e le tatau ai ona toe tatalaina le ua molia i tua mai le toese i Tafuna.

Na fa'a'ailoa fo'i e le malo i le fa'amasinoga le mae'a lea ona faila e le tina na a'afia o sana talosaga i le fa'amasinoga, mo se puipuiga fa'aletulafono mo ia ina ia le mafai ai e lona to'alua ona toe fa'afeso'ota'i o ia.

Ua talia e le fa'amasinoga le fa'afinauga a le malo ma poloaina ai loa le fa'atumauina o le tupe e tatala ai le ua molia i le aofa'i e \$5,000. Ua toe fa'amalosia fo'i e le fa'amasinoga le poloaiga e fa'asa ai ona toe taumafai le ua molia e fa'afeso'ota'i lona to'alua i soo se auala e pei o le telefoni, poo le auina atu fo'i o se feau i se isi tagata ina ia oo atu ma logo lona to'alua.

O le itula e 8:30 i le taeao nei lea e toe tula'i ai le ua molia i luma o le fa'amasinoga, mo le fa'atulagaina o le aso e faia ai lana ulua'i iloilogia.



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A o feagai ai pea aiga o ali'i na a'afia i le fa'alavelave lea na tula'i mai i le faleoloa o le Manu'a Store i Tafuna i le aso To'ona'i na te'a nei, ma tulaga faigata ona o le tulaga matuia o lenei fa'alavelave, ua fa'aalia e le to'atele o le atunu'u lautele fa'apea ai uo ma aiga lo latou lagolagoina o aiga o i latou ua a'afia, e ala i le momoli atu i ai o feau fa'amalosi ma fa'amafanafana, atoa ai ma le tu'uina atu o teu fugalau ma tusitusiga e fa'alototeleina ai i latou.

E pei ona silafia e le atunu'u, o le aso To'ona'i o le vaiaso na te'a nei na tula'i mai ai se fa'alavelave i le nofoaga o le Manu'a Store i Tafuna, ina ua aafia se uaea eletise malosi mai galuega sa fa'atinoina ma sipata ai ni ali'i faigaluega se to'a 6, ma i'u ina maliu ai le to'atasi ae manunu'a le to'a 5 lea na taofia i le falema'i mo togafitiga.

O le ali'i na maliu, o le susuga lea ia Iosefa Elia, ae tuua na o si ona faletua ia Leann Lam Yuen Elia, lea o lo o fa'amoemoe o le masina o Mati o le tausaga nei e tu'u eseeseina ai e le Atua o ia ma le la pepe ulumatua.

O i latou e to'a 5 na taofia i le falema'i i Fagaalu, e aofia ai le to'atolu sa a'afia i manu'a e le tigaina tele, ma le to'alua sa togafia ma te'a mai i le falema'i.

A o feagai ai le aiga o le susuga ia Elia ma lagona fa'avauvau ona o le motusia fa'afuase'i o le mafutaga ma lenei ali'i, o le taeao o le aso Lulu na te'a nei na maliu ai le isi ali'i sa taofia i le potu tigaina i le falema'i i Faga'alu, le susuga ia Saito Paulo o Fagaitua.

Na molimauina e le Samoa News le to'atele o uo ma aiga o le susuga a Paulo na lolofi atu i le malumalu o le Falema'i i Faga'alu, i le mae'a ai lea ona o latou maua o le tala fa'anoanoa e fa'atautu i lona maliu.

Na fa'amaonia ai e le Komesina tofia o le Matagaluega o le Puipuiga o le Saogalemu Lautele le fa'aauau pea o su'esu'ega a Leoleo e tusa ai o lenei fa'alavelave.

I luga o auala o fesootaiga e pei o le Facebook, sa maitauina ai e le Samoa News le tele o tusitusiga fa'amaise atoa ai ma feau fa'amalosi mai uo ma aiga o lo o tu'uina atu i aiga aemaise ai ta'ito'alua o ali'i ua maliluu, e fa'alototeleina ai i latou ao i ai i lenei taimi faigata o mafutaga ua motusia.

Tau ina ia fa'amaise le Agaga Paia o le Atua i aiga o lo o feagai ma fa'anoanoaga, ona o lenei fa'alavelave matuia ua fa'afuase'i ai ona motusia mafutaga a i laua ua maliluu ma o laua aiga.



Se ali'i ave taxi o loo taumafai e fa'asino i turisi sa malaga mai i le va'a meli o le Sea Princess i le taeao ananafi fa'afanua mo mataaga eseese e tataua ona afea i maimoaga a turisi ao i ai i le atunu'u. [ata AF]

## TALA O FAAMASINOAGA

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### SAMUEL WRIGHT

O le aso 9 Fepuari 2017 lea ua fa'atulaga e faia ai le fa'amasinoga autu a le ali'i o Samuel Wright i luma o le afiga i le ali'i fa'amasino ia Fiti Sunia (Bench Trial), i le mae'a ai lea ona teena e le ua molia o le ofa sa tu'uina atu e le malo mo ia, ma le fa'amoemoe e fa'amuta ai le mataupu o lo o tu'uia ai o ia.

O Wright o lo o tu'uia e le malo i le moliaga mama o le fa'ao'olima i le tulaga tolu, fa'atasi ai ma le ali'i o Manu Lefatia, e mafua mai i le fa'alavelave lea na tula'i mai i le toese i Tafuna i le tausaga na te'a nei, lea o loo tu'uia ai i laua i lo la fa'ao'olima lea i le ali'i pagota ia Larry Samatua.

Na fa'aailoa e le tama'ita'i loia fautua ia Kate Hannaher i le fa'amasinoga le mae'a lea ona ia fa'aailoa ia Wright o le ofa a le malo, peita'i o lo o teena e ia tu'uia fa'asaga ia te ia, ae ua manatu e fa'atulaga loa se aso e faia ai lana fa'amasinoga autu.

O lo o taofia pea Wright i le toese i Tafuna i le taimi nei mo le tuliina o lana fa'asalaga fa'a falepuipui e 15 tausaga le umi, e mafua mai ina ua ta'usala o ia e

le fa'amasinoga maua luga i le moliaga o le taupulepule lea e fa'atino le solitulafono o le faomea i le tulaga lua, ona o le fa'alavelave lea na latou osofaia ai ma ni ali'i se to'alua le faleoloa o le Gold Gonda i Faga'alu i le masina o Me 2014.

### WISE GAUTA

O le taeao ananafi na toe tula'i ai i luma o le fa'amasinoga fa'aitumalo le ali'i o Wise Gauta, i le mae'a ai lea ona faila e le malo o moliaga mamafa fa'asaga ia te ia, e mafua mai i le fa'alavelave lea na tula'i mai i Vaitogi i le fa'aiuga o le vaiaso na te'a nei, lea o lo o tu'uia e le malo se vevesi na tula'i mai ai ma fa'aogaina ai a'upega malolosi poo fana.

O le aso Lua na te'a nei na tula'i ai Gauta i luma o le fa'amasinoga fa'aitumalo mo le ulua'i taimi, ma fa'atonuina ai loa e le afiga i le ali'i fa'amasino ia Fiti Sunia le Masela a le Fa'amasinoga, mo le faia o se suega i le tino o Gauta ina ia iloa ai o lo o ia usitaia poloaiga o lana nofovaavaaia sa tu'uina atu e le fa'amasinoga i le tausaga ua mavae, e aofia ai le fa'asa lea ona ia tagofia o le 'ava malosi.

O le mae'a ai o lea suega na fa'aailoa ai

loa e le Masela a le Fa'amasinoga le mae'a ona fa'atinoina o le suega i le tino o Gauta, ma ua fa'amaonia le maua i lona tino o le vailaau o loo maua i le pauta fa'asaina o le aisa, ma poloaina ai loa e le fa'amasinoga le taofia o le ua molia i le toese e aunoa ma se tupe e tatala ai o ia i tua.

O le taeao ananafi ina ua mae'a ona faila e le malo le latou tagi fou fa'asaga ia Gauta, na fa'atulaga ai loa e le fa'amasinoga le vaega tupe e \$20,000 e totogi ona fa'atoa mafai lea ona tatala le ua molia i tua, peita'i sa fa'aailoa e Sunia i le loia a Gauta e fa'apea, o le tupe lea ua fa'atulaga e tatala ai le ua molia, e mo lana mataupu fou lea ua faila nei, ae o lo o taofia o ia i le toese i Tafuna mo le isi ana mataupu e aunoa ma se tupe e tatala ai o ia i tua.

O tuutuuga ua tu'uina atu e le fa'amasinoga ia Gauta e ao ona usita'i i ai, o le fa'asa lea ona ia toe umia ni a'upega mata'utia poo fana, fa'asa ona ia toe tagofia fualaau fa'asaina ma le 'ava malosi, fa'asa fo'i ona ia toe taumafai e fa'afeso'ota'i le aiga na a'afia i le vevesi lea ua tu'uia ai o ia e le malo.





O se vaaiga i le fa'aaogaina tatau e nai Turisi o faleoloa i faleie sa fa'atutuina i le Malaeoletalu i Fagatogo mo a latou fa'atauga.

[ata: Leua Aiono Frost]



tusia: Leua Aiono Frost

**TA'AMILOSAGA VOLI-POLO FA'AVAOMALO 2017**

Ua sauni le Asosi Volipolo a Amerika Samoa e talimalo i 'au e tolu ua masi'i mai Samoa e tali le vala'au ina ia auai mai ni 'au volipolo lelei mo le ta'amilosaga o le amataga o lenei tausaga "2 Samoas Volleyball Challenge."

O 'au masi'i mai Samoa ua maea tulauleele i le teritori ma ua nofo sauna fo'i mo le amatala o lenei ta'amilosaga e fa'atautaia i le afiafi o le aso Fraile 20 Ianuari, 2017 i le Samoana High School Gymnasium i Utulei. Ua fa'atulaga e amatalia ta'alogaga i le itula e 5:00 i le afiafi ma fa'asolo atu ai i le po, ma toe alausu mai i ai i le aso Tocon'a i atoa.

O le 'au fili mai le motu tele o Salafai ua fa'aigoaina o le Laumua o Pule Ono i Salafai, ae o le au a Volleyball malosi a le Laumua o Tuma mai Afega, Upolu. O le lona tolu o 'au o le Siamupini o le ta'amilosaga Under 19 a Samoa, lea ua tulauleele ina ia fetufa'i fo'i tomai i lea fa'agatama ma talavou o le tatou malo e ala i lea fo'i fa'agatama.

Mo Amerika Samoa, ua tapena le Asosi Volipolo ma ona totino ma 'au volipolo e to'a 10.

"Ua lava ma totoe fo'i tatou au ua mae'a fa'aulu mai e fa'atautaia ai lenei Liki mo le amataga o le tausaga, e lelei fo'i e tapena atu ai mo le isi a tatou Liki Volipolo masani mo le sisigafu'a ia Aperila," o se fa'amatalaga lea a Josie Afu Muasau, failautusi o le Asosi Volipolo a Amerika Samoa.

"E fa'atagisia foi le fesoa-

soani malosi a tatou pa'aga e fiafia e maimoaina tatou ta'alogaga, fa'ailoa mai lou loto nu'u ma e masi'i mai e maimoa ma tapua'ia faiva o tama i le Malae o Samoana i le aso i le afiafi. E moni lava, e malo lava le tagala ua lava tapena i le koloni ma tomai e mo'omia i so'o se fa'agatama."

Ua fa'ailoa mai, ona ua le lava 'au a tama'ita'i e fa'atautaia ai se vaega o lenei Liki Volipolo mo i latou, o lea ua le faia ai ni ta'alogaga a tama'ita'i, ae ua faia na'o liki a ali'i matutua fa'apea ma le Under 19.

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Ua fa'alauiloa mai le fa'atuina o le Kamupani "Pacific Sleep Care" ma ua fa'ailoa mai, "Afai e te moe ta'agulu tele, ua tele se avanoa ua maua ai oe i le OSA po'o le 'Obstructive Sleep Apnea'."

Pe afai ua maua oe i lea ma'i, o lona auga lea, o le moe ta'agulu ma e masani fo'i ona va'aia e le lelei sau moe, e te moe mate'ite'i, avea ai ma mafuaga e le malie ai lau moe pe a e maleifua mai i le taeao.

E tolu ituaiga togafitiga ua mae'a tapena e lenei kamupani latou te ofoina atu mo oe, pe afai e te afio ane i le latou Ofisa autu i Matuu, ma fa'atalatalanoa auga ua e maua ai, e iloa patino ai le ituaiga o togafitiga e ao ina e fa'aaogaina, e mafai ai ona fa'afo'ia lou faafitauli.

E ese mai nei mea uma, ae ua fa'ailoa mai e i latou, ua talia fo'i lea ituaiga o gasegase e le Inisiua a le Tricare. O le a maua uma ni tali o nisi fa'afesili pe afai o le a e vala'au mo se fesoa-soani i le numeraga 633-2838 poo le 633-5838.



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**Application Deadline: Wednesday, February 1, 2017 no later than 4:00 pm.**

Applications are available from American Samoa Community College, Human Resources Office (699-9155 Ext. 401/428/441), or by emailing Sereima S. Asifoa at [s.asifoa@amsamoa.edu](mailto:s.asifoa@amsamoa.edu) or Lipena Samuelu at [l.samuelu@amsamoa.edu](mailto:l.samuelu@amsamoa.edu)

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# Mexican drug kingpin “El Chapo” to appear in US courtroom



In this photo provided U.S. law enforcement, authorities escort Joaquin “El Chapo” Guzman, center, from a plane to a waiting caravan of SUVs at Long Island MacArthur Airport on Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017, in Ronkonkoma, N.Y. The infamous drug kingpin who twice escaped from maximum-security prisons in Mexico was extradited at the request of the U.S. to face drug trafficking and other charges, and landed in New York late Thursday, a federal law enforcement official said.

(U.S. law enforcement via AP)

NEW YORK (AP) — Joaquin “El Chapo” Guzman, one of the world’s most notorious drug kingpins, is finally headed for a court date the United States sought for two decades while he made brazen prison escapes and spent years on the run in Mexico.

Extradited Thursday to face U.S. drug trafficking and other charges, Mexico’s most wanted man was expected to appear in a federal court in New York Friday, the same day Donald Trump, who has lashed out at Mexico, is inaugurated as president.

The Drug Enforcement Administration flew Guzman to New York from Ciudad Juarez late Thursday, according to federal officials.

The U.S. has been trying to get Guzman in a U.S. court since he was first indicted in Southern California in the early 1990s. Now in his late 50s, he faces the possibility of life in a U.S. prison under indictments in six jurisdictions around the United States, including New York, San Diego, Chicago and Miami.

He’s expected to be prosecuted in Brooklyn, where an indictment accuses him of overseeing a massive trafficking operation that sent billions of dollars in profits back to Mexico. It says Guzman and

other members of the Sinaloa cartel, one of the world’s largest drug trafficking organizations, employed hit men who carried out murders, kidnappings and acts of torture.

Guzman, the cartel’s convicted boss, had been held most recently at a prison near Ciudad Juarez, a border town across from El Paso, Texas. He was recaptured a year ago after escaping from a maximum-security prison for a second time, an episode that was highly embarrassing for President Enrique Pena Nieto’s government.

Mexican officials were seen as eager to hand him off to the United States. But Guzman’s lawyers fought his extradition, and attorney Andres Granados accused the government of carrying it out Thursday to distract from nationwide gasoline protests.

“It was illegal. They didn’t even notify us,” Granados said. “It’s totally political.”

Mexico’s Foreign Relations Department said a court had ruled against Guzman’s appeal and found that his extradition would be constitutional.

The extradition came at a charged political moment in the U.S., on the eve of Trump’s inauguration. As a candidate, the Republican criticized Mexico for sending the U.S. “crimi-

Carl Pike, a former DEA agent who spent the last part of his career helping the drug agency chase Guzman, said Thursday he was always confident that the drug lord would be sent to the U.S., but the timing was “interesting.”

“It’s one way of thanking Obama and another way of saying, ‘Mr. Trump, welcome to the arena,’” Pike said.

Derek Maltz, who headed the DEA’s Special Operations Division until his retirement in mid-2014, said the extradition reaffirms Mexico’s commitment to working with the United States and curbing the power of its drug cartels, and the timing could be seen as a good-faith effort by the Mexican government.

After breaking out of prison the first time in 2001, Guzman spent more than a decade at large, becoming something of a

chicous escape, coolly stepping into a hole in the floor of his prison cell shower and whizzing to freedom on a motorcycle modified to run on tracks laid the length of the tunnel.

While again on the run, he secretly met with actors Sean Penn and Kate del Castillo in a fall 2015 encounter that Penn later chronicled in Rolling Stone magazine.

Guzman was unapologetic about his criminal activities, saying he had turned to drug trafficking at age 15 to survive.

“The only way to have money to buy food, to survive, is to grow poppy, marijuana, and at that age, I began to grow it, to cultivate it and to sell it. That is what I can tell you,” he was quoted as saying in Penn’s article, published right after Mexican marines re-arrested Guzman last January.

Guzman was ultimately

able to track him down partly because he wanted to film a biopic and had representatives communicating with actors and producers, Mexican Attorney General Arely Gomez said at the time.

Maltz said Guzman’s extradition is not likely to immediately curb the Sinaloa cartel’s role in the drug trade, but it signals that the U.S. and Mexico are serious about fighting drug gangs.

“When they start seeing the extraditions of the cartel leadership and they see the unbelievable effort in Mexico, with the killing and capture of top cartel leaders, they are going to start feeling the heat like they’ve never seen it before,” Maltz said.

The White House, which was down to a skeleton staff hours before Trump takes office, said it had no immediate comment.

## Timing...

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“They handled it politically to obscure the situation of the gas price hike,” Granados said. “It’s totally political.”

Some Mexicans feared Guzman’s extradition to the United States, where he will surely be kept from communicating with underlings, could unleash a cartel power struggle and more bloodshed.

“All the different bands are going to start fighting among themselves, no? Drug traffickers, to see who ends up being No. 1,” said Roberto Lascrain, an architect in Mexico City.

Guzman associate Ismael “El Mayo” Zambada is believed to be running the cartel following “El Chapo’s” recapture last January. Some analysts believe Guzman’s sons may have also

taken on increased roles.

Raul Benitez, a security expert at the National Autonomous University of Mexico, said Guzman’s offspring may try to challenge for control in what “could be a negotiation without violence, or a war with machine guns.”

However, Vigil predicted that the operations of Guzman’s Sinaloa cartel are unlikely to be affected.

“Most cartels have a vertical structure, but ... Sinaloa has a horizontal one with cells that operate in a semi-autonomous manner,” Vigil said. “They have a strong bench. They have a respected leader in Ismael ‘El Mayo’ Zambada.”

On Twitter, some saw humor in Guzman’s extradition the day before Trump takes office.

“They’re sending the worst, they’re bringing drugs, they’re criminals,” tweeted Jorge Guajardo, Mexico’s ambassador to

China in 2007-2013, echoing Trump’s comments about illegal immigration. “Ok, you won. Here’s our very worst, El Chapo.”

U.S. presidential transitions have been used by foreign countries before to send a political message. On Jan. 20, 1981, only minutes into the presidency of Republican Ronald Reagan, Iran freed 52 American hostages it held for 444 days after the storming of the U.S. Embassy in Tehran.

A deal between Iran and the U.S. to unfreeze billions of dollars in Iranian assets in exchange for the hostages had been largely reached under outgoing Democratic President Jimmy Carter. But while Carter greeted the hostages on their landing in West Germany, it was Reagan who announced their freedom to cheering Americans.

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attending the festivities with her son, Scott Haven. The pair said they had never been to a political event before attending a Trump “thank you” tour rally in Alabama after the election and were looking forward to Friday’s celebration.

“We’re excited for changes in the country,” Scott Haven said.

All of the living American presidents were scheduled to attend the swearing in ceremony, except for 92-year-old George H.W. Bush, who was hospitalized this week with pneumonia. His wife, Barbara, was also admitted to the hospital after falling ill. Trump tweeted his well-wishes to the Bushes, saying he was “looking forward to a speedy recovery.”

Hillary Clinton, Trump’s vanquished campaign rival, also

planned to join dignitaries at Capitol Hill.

While Trump revels in a celebratory lunch with lawmakers and parade down Pennsylvania Avenue — passing his newly opened Washington hotel — workers at the White House will set about the frantic process of moving out the Obamas and preparing the residence for its new occupants. Moving trucks were on standby Friday morning at the White House.

Obama, who will continue to live in Washington, was leaving town with his family after the inauguration for a vacation in Palm Springs, California. He planned to address a farewell gathering of staff at Joint Base Andrews before boarding his last flight on the military aircraft that ferries presidents on their travels.

# 'Dance Moms' star's 2-day sentencing hearing set to begin



FILE- In this June 27, 2016, file photo, "Dance Moms" star Abby Lee Miller leaves federal court after pleading guilty in Pittsburgh to bankruptcy fraud and failing to report thousands of dollars in Australian currency she brought into the country. Miller is scheduled to appear in federal court in Pittsburgh on Friday, Jan. 20, 2017, for the start of her sentencing hearing in her bankruptcy fraud case.

(AP Photo/Keith Srakocic, File)

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A federal judge will decide if "Dance Moms" reality TV star Abby Lee Miller should be sentenced to prison or probation for concealing hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of income during her Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

The bankruptcy fraud case largely boils down to one question: Did she intend to harm the creditors she owed?

Federal prosecutors say she meant to hide \$775,000 in income and are seeking a prison sentence of up to 30 months.

Miller's attorneys say she simply got caught up in her fame and fortune, but always planned to repay her debts. They want probation.

A two-day sentencing hearing gets underway Friday before a judge in Pittsburgh. The sentence will be imposed when both sides return Feb. 24. The two-day hearing was scheduled so the court could hear from numerous witnesses.

"Ms. Miller's manifest intention has always been to pay her creditors 100% of what they were entitled to receive," her attorney, Brandon Verdram wrote in a sentencing memo.

But Assistant U. S. Attorney Greg Melucci's competing memo says Miller repeatedly lied to a bankruptcy judge, and worked behind the scenes with her accountant and others to hide her wealth.

That was done because a court-approved bankruptcy plan to determine how much Miller's creditors would be repaid hinged on how much wealth she reported.

"The judge was a (expletive)," Miller wrote in a February 2013 email to her accountant. "He hates me ... I'm paying Everyone I owe 100% back in one big check! Who does that? Nobody in bankruptcy!"

In another 2013 email,

with the subject line, "LET'S MAKE MONEY AND KEEP ME OUT OF JAIL," she instructed her accountant and business partner not to deposit any money into her bank accounts, Melucci wrote.

The criminal investigation began when a channel-surfing bankruptcy judge saw Miller on TV in December 2012 and figured she had to be making more than the \$8,899 in monthly income she had claimed up to that point.

"The problem here is the fact that it looks to the Court as if she was hiding the ball," U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Thomas Agresti said during a February 2013 hearing. "And until she got caught, we wouldn't have known about this."

Miller pleaded guilty to hiding more than \$228,000 in income from appearances on "Dance Moms" and a spinoff, "Abby's Ultimate Dance Competition," and nearly \$550,000 more from personal appearances, dance sessions and merchandise before the bankruptcy judge caught on.

Miller also pleaded guilty in June to sneaking more than \$120,000 worth of foreign currency into the country on a return trip from Australia in 2014.

Federal prosecutors want Miller to forfeit that money, which they say she hid in the luggage of others in her party — including children. Miller's attorney denies children were involved and is opposing the forfeiture.

"Dance Moms" follows Miller's young students and their involved mothers, who attend practices and performances and openly clash with the brash, critical Miller.

The show is based out of her dance studio in Penn Hills, a Pittsburgh suburb, although Miller now lives in Los Angeles.

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Notice is hereby given, pursuant to A.S.C.A. §37.1105, that ANZ GUAM, INC. dba ANZ Amerika Samoa Bank intends to foreclose a mortgage, recorded in the Office of the Territorial Registrar in Lease Agreement, Volume Number LA 06 at page 181 on October 16, 2007, and that the property subject to the mortgage will be sold at public auction.

**Property to be Sold:** All of the mortgagor's interest in that certain parcel of communal land, which includes a residential structure, consisting of approximately 26,101.26 square feet, more or less, situated in the village of Futiga, American Samoa and more particularly described as:

All of that certain real property lying in Land Square "32", Unit "D", situated in the village of Futiga, County of Tualauta, Western District, Island of Tutuila, American Samoa, being a portion of land known as "MAOTAOALII", and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point which has coordinates X=232048.17 and Y=279644.40 based on American Samoa Datum of 1962.

Run thence on azimuth 273 degrees 35' 31", 89.07 feet to a point; Thence on azimuth 284 degrees 51' 01", 105.19 feet to a point; Thence on azimuth 194 degrees 43' 51", 155.70 feet to a point; Thence on azimuth 95 degrees 09' 10", 173.96 feet to a point; Thence on azimuth 23 degrees 03' 33", 145.27 feet to the point of beginning.

Containing of an area 26,101.26 square feet more or less.

**Date of Sale:** Monday, February 27, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the property, unless postponed or canceled by public announcement.

**Location:** The property is located in Futiga.

**Minimum Bid:** \$20,000.00

**Contact:** For more information about this property, please contact Daniel E. Mooney at the Law Offices of Rose Joneson Vargas, telephone number 699-2100, facsimile number 699-2105, or send an email message to Daniel.Mooney@rjvlaw.com.

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In this photo provided by the University of Hawaii, six carefully selected scientists entered this geodesic dome called Hawaii Space Exploration Analog and Simulation, or HI-SEAS located 8,200 feet above sea level on Mauna Loa on the island of Hawaii, Thursday, Jan. 19, 2017. The four men and two women moved into their new simulated space home Thursday afternoon, as part of a human-behavior study that could help NASA as it draws up plans for sending astronauts on long missions to Mars. (University of Hawaii via AP)

## Crew enters Hawaii dome for 8-month Mars study

*The Associated Press*  
The latest on the NASA-funded experiment taking place at the University of Hawaii's HI-SEAS facility on the Big Island. All times local.

Six carefully selected scientists have entered a man-made dome on a remote Hawaii volcano as part of a human-behavior study that could help NASA as it draws up plans for sending astronauts on long missions to Mars.

The four men and two women moved into their new simulated space home Thursday afternoon on Mauna Loa, settling into the vinyl-covered shelter of 1,200 square feet, or about the size of a small, two-bedroom home, for an eight-month stay.

They will have no physical contact with people in the outside world and will work with a 20-minute delay in communications with their support crew, or the time it would take for an email to reach Earth from Mars.

The NASA-funded project will study the psychological difficulties associated with living in isolated and confined conditions for an extended period.

Researchers are entering an isolated geodesic dome perched on a remote Hawaii volcano to study human behavior for future long-term space exploration, including future trips to Mars.

The six crew members will enter the structure on the Big Island's Mauna Loa Thursday.

They will spend eight months together in the research facility with no physical contact with any other human beings.

They'll wear space suits when outside the compound on a mountainside plain with rocky Mars-like terrain and experience a 20-minute delay in communications to simulate the time it takes for voice calls to reach Earth from Mars.

The NASA-funded study hopes to provide information on how crews on extended space missions will perform in isolated and confined conditions.

The so-called HI-SEAS facility is about 8,200 feet above sea level.

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