

## I. Summation

This case involves the examination of a 3.5 inch floppy disk which was obtained by the Campus Police at the University of Glendale. The disk is believed to have belonged to Martin Hart, who is a major in computer science at the University. Campus police received information that Hart may be dealing drugs on ebay. Due to the lack of evidence, no warrant could be obtained, but campus police did come across a 3.5 inch floppy disk in a trash can near Hart's dormitory room. The primary objective in this case was to examine the disk, and attempt to develop any evidence which might provide sufficient probable cause to obtain a search warrant for Mr. Hart's premises and computers.

Examination of the diskette located several files with reference to Hart, as well as another person by the name of Doug White. There are also references to Roger Williams University, the Center for Herbal Refreshment and invitations to check out new inventory. There is also mention that instructions should have been received on an ebay site. In addition there were several graphic images found in free space on the disk as well as a spreadsheet which references budget, sales and contains a list of names and figures. Also located was a file which makes reference to "my passwords". There were also files with referenced garden centers and "buhaoren".

Based on the findings on the first diskette, a search warrant was obtained for Mr. Hart's vehicle, which yielded another 3.5 inch floppy disk. Examination of the second diskette revealed a password protected Microsoft Word file entitled "letter to Jose.doc", which was run through FTK password recovery. The password was recovered (Hartman) and the Word document was opened. In this letter, the author writes he has a problem with the campus police watching him and needs to start thinking about a plan to get to Honduras. The author tells Jose to "check ren to see latest shipment info. The letter is signed G0nz0 as always H.

Based on the information recovered from the second diskette, another warrant was applied for and granted to investigate buhaoren. This investigator did a web search for <http://www.buhaoren.com>, and found in led to a password protected web site. Further investigation led to the findings that user name for the web site was g0nz0 (retrieved from the letter on diskette #2) and the password was c6th6t (retrieved from a file on diskette #1). With the use of this user name and password, this investigator was able to open the web site which was "The Center for Herbal Refreshment" and contained links to "photos of product" and a link to "Jose". The link to Jose contains references to "new drop" coordinates, and what appears to be possible map coordinates 36-20-44.5750 N / 094-13-09.6420 W, noting the date of April 15 and that Jose knows the time and will see him there.