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# Leta Cordes

Missing from Sint Maarten / Saint Martin Since  
January 11, 2008

## The Search For Leta Cordes Continues

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As we near the one year anniversary of Leta Cordes disappearance, The Friends of Leta Cordes would like to thank all of the Officials of Sint Maarten, US Homicide Detectives, the Dutch Police Force, French Authorities, the FBI and all of the local citizens of Sint Maarten that continue to offer their support, resources and assistance in the on-going search for Leta.

Dutch Authorities continue to hold Leta Cordes' husband Frank Cordes behind bars in connection to her disappearance, however they may not be able to hold him in pretrial detention much longer.

Sadly, it appears that Frank Cordes may be involved in his wife's disappearance. Although the Dutch Authorities seemingly have substantial evidence against Mr. Cordes indicating his possible involvement, the case may not be strong enough to ensure a conviction at this time. Regardless the investigation continues. Collectively, the friends of Leta Cordes alongside Dutch Law Enforcement will continue their search for Leta.

Dutch Officials have strong leads they are following and will be conducting two separate searches on the Island in February (dates to be announced soon).

We are requesting the assistance of anyone who can help us find our friend Leta Cordes.

Please email us your contact information at [www.letacordes.com](http://www.letacordes.com) if you can help with the upcoming searches.

Thank you so much,

The Friends of Leta Cordes

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## Leta Cordes' Husband Frank Cordes Has Been Arrested

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Frank Cordes, Leta Cordes' husband has been arrested as a suspect in connection to Leta's disappearance. According to local newspapers on the island the case is still considered a "missing persons case," however the Dutch authorities now consider Frank Cordes to be their primary suspect.

Chief Prosecutor Taco Stein has publicly stated, “We’re going to ask Mr. Cordes a lot of questions.”

News of the arrest has brought about Friends of Leta’s worst fears, but has not deterred hope of recovering our beloved friend Leta Lynn Cordes.

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## Leta Cordes Disappearance Now Appears To Be A Murder Investigation Citing “New Evidence”

On October 1st, 2008, the Dutch Prosecutor’s Office released an official statement citing the discovery of “new evidence” related to the disappearance of Leta Cordes. Officials have not stated what this evidence is exactly, but they have revealed they are now working with nearly a half a dozen different agencies including the French St. Martin Authorities, the Royal Dutch Marechaussees, the Kingdom Cooperation Detective Team RST, the Police Force, the FBI, and California Homicide Detectives.

“The fact that we have sent out a press release should state the fact that we are not going to be saying anymore more about it at the moment,” Chief Prosecutor Taco Stein recently told The Daily Herald newspaper on the island.

According to The Daily Herald, the case still remains in the hands of Dutch Authorities even with the cooperation of other agencies.

The Daily Herald also states that Leta Corde’s U.S. and St. Maarten homes we’re both

searched within the last few weeks raising suspicions of Frank Cordes, Leta's husband.

This news has brought reaffirmed hope to Friends of Leta, and has made us more determined than ever to find her, and bring to justice anyone who has done her harm. We miss you and love you Leta!

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## April Land Search For Leta Lynn Cordes Coordinated By Friends of Leta

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Friends of Leta would like to confirm that the land search that took place in mid-April for Leta Lynn Cordes was in fact coordinated by Friends of Leta (the operators of this site). The search team consisted of Friends of Leta, search and dog teams from the USA, as well as local Dutch and French authorities.

From [Zebrabot](#), Chief Prosecutor Taco Stein said "We are very pleased to have this group on the island. They are working in close cooperation with the Dutch and French authorities. They are under our direct supervision and we have officers to assist them if anything should be found." Both the Dutch and French authorities on the island have been very supportive in our search for Leta, and we are very grateful for their continued professionalism and assistance.

Unfortunately, the search did not turn up anything despite any rumors otherwise, and we will continue to search for our friend Leta.

Lastly, the reason we did not immediately publicize this search was for two reasons, 1) if someone did do Leta harm we did not want to alert them of our teams presence, 2) we did not want the media getting in the way of our search. Our search covered a lot of ground,

however our beloved friend Leta Lynn Cordes remains missing.

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## Update: Leta Cordes Is Still Missing

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There is still no sign of Leta Cordes, and friends of Leta are extremely concerned. Friends of Leta are determined to find her and bring to justice anyone who may have done her harm. Leta we love you, miss you and will continue to search for you.

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## Leta Cordes Missing In Sint Maarten / Saint Martin, Netherlands Antillies, Caribbean

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This site was put together by friends of Leta Cordes, and is not associated with the family. Our only goal is to find our friend Leta Cordes.

**August 20th, 2008:** All of us who know and love Leta are desperately searching for her and following up all leads. The authorities in St. Maarten and in California remain actively involved. The presence of a substantial reward over the past several months has not brought forth the results which were intended, and we are sorry to announce that one of the donors to the reward fund is apparently retracting their offer. We remain committed to the effort of finding Leta, and greatly welcome the assistance of anyone who can help, whether by contributing to a reward fund or otherwise.

Previously, a \$75,000 reward was being offered by Friends of Leta. Upon the news of our donors retraction, the family of Leta Cordes has just now raised their reward from \$25,000 to \$100,000.

Leta Lynn Cordes, 49, has been missing from the Caribbean Island of Sint Maarten / Saint Martin since Friday, January 11, 2008. She was last seen by her husband Frank Cordes around 10:50PM on the Dutch side of the island near the Westin Hotel. Frank Cordes has stated Leta departed their vacation home alone on foot to make the quarter mile walk to the casino at the Westin Hotel. Leta had nothing more than a blouse, jean shorts, black laced sandals, around \$200, and her drivers license (she did not have her passport). She has not been seen since.

### **Description:**

Leta Lynn Cordes is 49-years-old

5-foot, 3-inches

135lbs

Long curly red/blonde hair below her shoulders

A "777" tattoo with flames on her lower back like you would see at a Las Vegas casino

### **Details:**

Leta Cordes is an American who resides in Mission Viejo, California with her husband Frank Cordes.

Leta Cordes and her husband have visited the island of Sint Maarten for several years, and just finished building a vacation home on the island. They felt comfortable and safe.

Leta Cordes has never been out of touch with family or friends before.

**Please do not hesitate to contact the Dutch authorities on the island at 011-599-542-8761, or the FBI at 714 245 5207 if you have any information. Even the most minor of details are important.**

If you wish to contact the operators of this site please contact us at [letacordes@gmail.com](mailto:letacordes@gmail.com)

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