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Las Vegas Sun  
820 South Valley View Blvd.  
Las Vegas, NV 89107

Dear Editor:

Jeff Simpson's piece on Tropicana paychecks last Sunday is not based on fact. No employee of this property has ever been advised by management not to cash their paychecks on payday. Payday is payday! Thanks to the dedication and hard work of every associate, Tropicana is performing quite well and there isn't the slightest question about the integrity of our payroll.

What is alarming is the integrity of the article. Why on earth wasn't the company asked about these allegations? Don't you think in the spirit of accurate and professional reporting, both sides should be heard? No one wants to publish the facts any more than we do.

Perhaps In the future, your publication could verify allegations before printing them as fact so that your readers are not mislead.

Sincerely,

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