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19 Belief in Diviners - Ajk'inob'

E k'ub'esyaj tama e ajk'inob'.
 The belief in the diviners.

2. E ajk'inob', konda ayan chi amokran,

The diviners, when there is someone he becomes ill,

entonses ach'ajma ti'n una'ta ak'ini. Jay akb'ar,

then is brought someone he knows to divine. If it is night,

ak'axi inte' ajmwak tama e otot, takar era

falls a person sick one in the house, that same

e akb'ar a'xin ach'ajma twa' uk'ini, uwira

the night he goes to be brought so that he divines, he sees

tuk'a umen chukur e ajmwak yaja'. Konda

in whose grasp the sick person that. When

k'otoy tya' ch'a'r e ajmwak, ub'ajyu umut

he comes to where lying the sick one, he feels his pulse

ta unuk' uk'ab' o' u't uchu', jay

at its neck his hand or its face his chest, whether

ch'a'r umut.

is there his pulse.

17. E	'. Entonses uk'ajti			e	k'ujtz,		uk'oyi,		akay		uk'ini.			
T	hen		he ask	s for	the	tobacc	tobacco,		ws it,	he beg	ins	to dev	ine.	
Usajk		jay		b'ojb'i	r	mwak		o'	yer	ajk'axer mwak				
He in	quires	if		ordina	ry	illness		or	a little	disease	disease that happens			
b'an		taka,		jay		maja'x		achb'ir		umen otronte'.				
just		like th	at,	if		it wası	n't	raised		by	anothe	r perso	n.	
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24. K		war		o'jron		taka		uta'		uyok,		che,		
V	Vhen	he is		speaki	ng	with		its calf		his leg	,	he say	he says,	
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"Koche'ra sabyo,							tya'		chojb'esb'iret			umen		
"How, wise one,		ne,	magici	an,	knowing one,		wnere		you are cheris		nea	by		
e	dyos		tama		nich'ic	h'er.	tama		uk'ab'	a	e	kawin	kirar	
the	God		in	my blo		•	od, in		his name		the	our ma		
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dyos		i	tama		uk'ab'	a	e	Reyna		Maria santisima,				
God		and	in		his nar	me the		Queen		Mary most holy,				
e	Reyna		Santa	Lusia,		e	Reyna		Santa	Teresa	,	Reyna		
the	Queer	1	Santa	Lucia,		the	Queen		Santa	Teresa	,	Queen	l	
de	Gwad	alupe,		Reyna	de	Kustoo	dyo,	Reyna	de	Pastor	ra,	Reyna		
of	Guade	elupe,		Queen	of	Custo	dio,	Queen	of	Pastor	ra,	Queen	ŀ	
de	Rejujy	ю,	tama		uk'ab'	a	e	anjel		San	Gabry	el,		
of	Refug	io,	in		his nar	nis name the		angel		San	Gabrie	el,		
e	San		Migel		arkanj	<i>arkanjel</i> , e		anjel		Santo Tomas				
the	Saint Michael		el	archan	gel,	the	angel		Saint Thomas					

Beron Veron	-	e the	anjel angel		San Saint	Kustodyo, Custodio,		e the	<i>anjel</i> angel	San Rafaya Saint Rafael		
i and			e the	apostol Apostle		San Saint	<i>Jwan</i> John	Bawtis Baptis	*	e the		
San Saint	<i>Mark</i> o Mark	OS	ebanje evang	-	e the	San Saint	Felipe Felipe		apostle		<i>kristo</i> ; Christ	
tama in	uk'ab his na		e the	patron patron		Santyo Santia	Ü	<i>de</i> of	Galisy Galici		de of	Spanya, Spain,
dwenyo de bataya, patron of battle,		konbensedor avenger			<i>de</i> of	<i>injury</i> injury,		dueny patron				
sajuri divine		tya' where	a'wak you re		chojb'			nawal spirit	b'ir	tama in		nich'ich'er; my blood;
e the	pak'al	b' n beings	e s the	konoj		to'r on		e the	rum, earth,		tya' where	
war we are	e	kak'al	-		ik'ab'		no'x, we,		ixawa you st		kone'ı today,	
apoderado abogado, mighty advocate,			defens defens		sabyo,	sabed knowi		•				
kone'r ixto awajk'o'n right now you give us			kana'ta we know		xe'	e'ra'cl						
chekte reveal		kone'ı today	·	tiko'yt to us	t	e the	kastig punish		asote bonda	ge	tya' where	ch'a'r stands

a'si tu'jor kryatura tya' e e menor war playing over his head the creature the little where are ache'na uyanjel ku'nawalir. amenasar being his angel ? his spirit. menaced 65. Sabyo sabedor, ajk'unon kana'tanik intakaka achpa Wise knowing one, give us so that we may know whether was raised up justisya ira. Talbes intake tari. Talbes ajt'e'nsaj e judgment this. Perhaps Perhaps sickening the just it came. ik'arob', talbes ik'arob' witzirob', jolchan to'r e Hol Chan winds, perhaps winds the mountains, over jolchan tokarob' ik'arob', tik o' to'r witzir. e winds Hol Chan clouds the mountains. maybe over or 77. Ipuruy ka? e'ra uti' I ka achpa tara, k'ajk Are you burning? And did it rise up here, its mouth fire Talbes justisya tik, o'r ch'ujb'enob' tik. ja'x judgment maybe, its head hearth stones maybe. Perhaps it is santa byeja war at'e'nsan. Talbes utikawir u't e the Saint Old Woman making you sick. Perhaps her warmth her face o' utikawir u't santa byeja antonyo. e e san the Saint Old Woman his warmth his face Saint Antonio. or the Talbes ja'x atz'oji taka ulek'onir u't. war Perhaps is beating (us) with his heat his face, he

uje'rayir u't. O' utujkib' tano'b' war his fitful glowing his face. Or its dump lime is

at'e'nsan. Tya' ka nik tari e *justisya* ira? causing diarrhea. Where could come from the judgment this?

93. Sabyo sabedor, ira amajreson. Tya' uyakte't

Wise knowing one, do not deceive us. When he placed you

ikayumar dyos ti kach'ich'er, maja'x twa' aymajresyan, master God in our blood, it wasn't so that you deceive (us),

sino twa' itzormayan i twa' icheksuyan tama e'ra'ch. but rather so that you reveal and so that you clarify with truth.

100. O' me'sob' ka war a't'e'nsan? Talbes

Or tables (consecrated) causing diarrhea? Perhaps

utujkib'sob'. Talbes ja'x e noj konbento ryal, (hole where chilate is poured). Perhaps it is the Great Temple Royal,

e noj konbento mayor. Talbes unut'i'x ub'a the Great Temple Major. Perhaps has joined herself

taka ujolchanir e nwestra madre santisima. with Hol Chan the Our Mother Holiest.

Estumekato'b' tik twa' e katu' mundo. Ombres
Estumekas maybe of the our Mother World. Men

Estumekas, rey Estumekas, ombres kapitan, rey kapitan. Talbes

Estumekas, king		Estum	ımekas, m		men		Captain,		Captain.		Perhaps	
ja'x they	war are	atz'oj		o' or		tichan from above		ka are they comin			Talbes Perha	
uwararir u't its beam his face		ce	e the	san gregor Saint Gregor		•			• •		tari came here	
e the	justisy		i and	kastig punish	o, nment,	achpa rising		tari here	tama in		e the	inyax blue
alagui lake,	na,	e the	insak white		alagur lake,	ıa,	tamar in		e the	inyax blue		
sangi <i>yagwa</i> , e water channel, the		e the	insak white	•		yagwa. channel.			i ub'a	f		
taka with	e the	inyax blue			a wijo, Güija,		e the		alaguı Lake	na wijo Güi		taka with
e the	·		on, ion,					anjel angel				
rey king	serence Serpe											
	Tamar In	e the	inyax blue		rwede ring,	,	e the	insak white		rwede ring,	,	ombres men
kuleb serper		rey king	kulebi serper	-	ombre men	es	tiboro shark,	•	rey king	tiboros		
Tama	r	e	inyax		pila,	e	insak		pila	de	agwa,	

In		the	blue		basin,	the	white		basin	of	water,		
kocha	l	ya'si		don Don	jwan Juan	de of	serence		e the	donya Doña		jwana Juana	
de of	serena Serpe			chanir rainbow	u't, surface	ujolch , their H		u't, n surfa	ce,	takar with h	im	don Don	jwan Juan
de of	remol Whirl	ino, wind,	e the	donya Doña		jwana Juana		de of	remol			Ja'x He	
		jarary beams				ujolchanir u't, the Hol Chan surfac			2,				
	vir u'i arm su		e the	san Saint	gregor Grego	-	de of	agwa. Water					
•		ik'aro winds			al ik'arol winds,				ymoy te'yan ping up		ik'arob', winds,		
ombre men	es	remol whirly		10)	remoli whirlw	no, vind,	-		water comin	ıg	tama from		
kwatr four e			uye'sl			e the	munde	•	unojkomon he joins		ub'a (himse	elf)	
taka with	e the	noj big	alagui lake	na	yeb'ar		e the	mundo. world.					
158.	Ti'n Which	ka	nik might	be	estado level		e the	mund world		tari came	tamar'	?	
Talbe	S	tamar	era	e	primer	•	estado	,	o'	tama	e		

Perhaps	it was fro	om the	first		level		or	from	the	
dos estad				tari	o'	tari did it o	ka	tama from	e the	kinyento 500th
second level	u	he world		came	or	aia ii (zonne	110111	uie	300111
estado		nundo	Talbes		yanijk		tari	e	justisy	
level	of the w	vorld?	Perhaps	S	dislod	ged	came	the	judgment	
e kastiş	go, jı	ustisya	injyern	alob',	injyerna		nal ik'aro		b'	tik
the punis	hment, jı	udgments	inferna	1,		infern	al	winds		may
achpa	tari	tama	e	kinyen	ito	estado		del	injyeri	10.
have arisen	have arisen coming		the	500 th leve		level	of		hell.	
169. A'si	169. A'si water		e	noj	alagun	ıa	yeb'ar		e	mundo,
Playing	Playing it came		the	big	lake		underr	neath	the	earth,
tama e	inyax	inyax alagun		a, e			alagun	ıa,	kocha	
from the	blue	lake,		the white		lake,			since	
ya' a'si	tı	uno'r	ajt'e'nsajob',			ombres remol			lino, rey	
there they	play a	.11	disease	•				whirlwind,		king
remolino,	ajpetejt	ik'arob)'.	aimovi	movte'y	van	ik'arol	o'.	aimav	iut
whirlwind,	transpare		-	ajmoymoyte'yan sweeping up		,	winds,	•	ajmayjut illusion	
ik'arob',	ajlanb'at	t ik'arob	,,	ajsisb'	at'a'		ik'arol	, [,]	ajje'ra	V
winds,	chilling		-	freezin			winds,			lowing
	T.A.		. 1.						_	
ik'arob'. winds.	Ja'xto en They we		a'syob' playing		water comin	σ	tama from	e the	kinyer 500 th	ito
			17	7/	Commig		* = ****			
estado del injyerno,		njyerno,	atekpar	ni	water		tama		uyoryi'r	

level	of	hell,		toweri	ing up com		ıg	from		its edge		
e mund the world		Ja'xto					jararyob' beams		to'r over			
e b'ak'a		e	konoj.									
188. Tama	e	mwak		a'xob'		Jay	ch'ich	'na'k'ii	r	o'	ch'ich	'ni'r
То	the	sick p		they g		If			oleeding			oleeding
usajko'b'	tichan	l .	porke'		che'no	ob'	ke'	konda		ach'a'n e		e
they look	above		becaus		they sa		that	when		it lies		the
rwede	tu't		e	k'in,		che'no	ob'	ke'	ja'x	e	san	
ring	aroun	d	the	sun,		they s	ay	that	it is	the	Saint	
gregoryo	de	agwa		war	a'ti,		i	ke'	ja'x	e	diya	
Gregorio	of	Water		he is	bathin	ıg,	and	that	that's	the	day	
xe'	k'ani		ak'axi		A		iaia'r		Poreso	,	ach'a'	'n
that	it wan	nts	to fall				jaja'r. rain.		That is why			
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tu't	e	k'in.		Ja'x		e	irseya	j	tama	e	jaja'r	
in	the	sky.		It is		the	sign		of	the	rain	
		1, .	, 1,,									
tama	e	•	k'in.									
in	the	rainy	season.									
200. Che'no	b'	ke'	ja'x	e	mar	war	at'ab'	esna	tichan		Ι	
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e rwede	;	yaja',		che'no	ָטס ⁻	ke'	b'an		kocha		e	

the ring	that,		th	they say		that also			like		the
pila, water basin,	pero but		me'yra large		kocha like		inte'		alagun	ıa.	
Che They say	ke' that	ja'x e it was th		ora ime	yaja' that		b'ut'u	r	war were		a'si playing
tuno'r all	animalob', tuno'r animals, all				nawal spirits		ajmab'anb'an evil.		. Che'nob' They say		
ke' ja'x that they		ayojksanob' were hovering			tuno'r all	nawal. spirits.			Che They s	say	ke' that
usuti returned	e the	•			•		sisar, fever,	,		wa'. ning.	
Che They say	ke' that	ulek'onii his searii		e he	san Saint	gregor Grego			at'e'ns	san. diseas	€.
Porke' Because					uwarai		awarari shine		ri	tama over	
tuno'r all	o'r	e e tł		rum. earth.		Ja'x They		at'e'ns	san disease	tama in	
tuno'r all	e the	lugarob'.	·.								