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"SURVIVORMAN" GOES 'BEYOND SURVIVAL' AS LES STROUD SEEKS OUT THE TRUE MASTERS OF SURVIVAL IN THE ALL NEW ORIGINAL DISCOVERY CHANNEL SERIES

-- BEYOND SURVIVAL WITH LES STROUD Premieres Friday, August 27 at 10 PM ET/PT --

(Silver Spring, Md.) – As "Survivorman," Les Stroud spent years surviving some of the most remote locations on earth – alone – while filming himself. In **BEYOND SURVIVAL WITH LES STROUD**, premiering Friday, August 27 at 10PM ET/PT, Stroud learns the tribes' techniques, takes part in their rituals and ceremonies and discovers the secrets of how their culture has survived for thousands of years...before they vanish forever. Les has relied on his years of training, raw instincts and sheer will to endure his seven-day challenges. Now, he takes his knowledge deeper; seek out the true masters of survival – the last indigenous tribes in the most remote corners of the planet.

In this unprecedented new series, Stroud travels to some of the most remote places on the planet to learn techniques rarely shown to people outside their own tribes. Steeped in ancient tradition and tribal custom, Stroud journeys to Madagascar to learn the survival techniques of the Antanosy tribe, known for their unique spiritual practices and wild dog hunting skills. He also ventures to the Kalahari Desert on a journey to connect with a tribe called the San, who hunt with poison arrows and practice a legendary trance dance that allows them to communicate with the spirit world. And he witnesses a "comoutin" ceremony in Papua New Guinea practiced by the Hewa people (literally translated as "the savages") – something no outsider has seen in 40 years.

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"I am proud of what I have accomplished with **SURVIVORMAN**. After years of surviving alone, going without food and sleeping on rocks, it was time to start the next chapter of my survival journey by learning from the few remaining indigenous peoples around the world. These tribes have truly mastered survival in some of the harshest conditions on the planet. Once you have secured the survival of your body, you still have to ensure the survival of your mind and spirit," said Les Stroud.

"Les offers an unfiltered view of what it takes to survive. His unique approach to sharing survival tips launched an entire genre. Now, the stakes could not be higher as Les ventures into uncharted territory for the ultimate survival adventure," said Clark Bunting, President and General Manager of Discovery Channel and President of Science Channel.

Stroud is an award-winning filmmaker and author, outdoor adventurer/instructor. As host of **BEYOND SURVIVAL**, Stroud puts more than just his survival skills to the test as he travels to remote regions of the world and survives with the last indigenous tribes on earth.

BEYOND SURVIVAL WITH LES STROUD is produced for Discovery Channel by Les Stroud Productions, where Les Stroud is the executive producer. For Discovery Channel, Bill Howard is the executive producer.

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