

Texas Lottery Commission Press Release - March 15, 2001

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AUSTIN *LOTTO TEXAS* WINNER CLAIMS RECORD \$85 MILLION JACKPOT PRIZE

(Austin, March 15) - The Texas Lottery Commission today paid RBH CNC, Ltd., of Austin a *Lotto Texas* jackpot prize in the amount of \$51,214,323.00. The winner chose the Cash Value Option on the record \$85 million prize offered for the drawing on Wednesday, March 7th.

Shopper's Mart, located at 10500 N. Lamar Boulevard in Austin, sold the winning ticket. The retailer is eligible to receive a one-percent bonus of the jackpot prize not to exceed \$500,000.

The jackpot numbers were 51-36-10-45-31-37. The winning ticket was one of five purchased and was a Quick Pick.

The winner requested minimal publicity for today in anticipation of a news conference tomorrow to which the media are invited. A news conference will be held at 11:15 a.m. Friday at Lottery headquarters located at 611 E. 6th Street in Austin.

Saturday's estimated *Lotto Texas* jackpot is \$11 million.

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The Texas Lottery, the 4th largest selling lottery in North America, is "Focusing on the Future of Education, One Ticket At A Time." By providing the 'Games of Texas' for more than 10 years, the Texas Lottery Commission (TLC) has generated more than \$10 billion for the state and paid nearly \$17 billion to players in prizes. For more information about the TLC, please visit the official website at <http://www.txlottery.org>

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