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Just recently the island of Grand Cayman, was damaged by a severe Category Five Hurricane, Ivan. Much was destroyed in September 2004 when Ivan ripped through the area, Ivan damaged many buildings many buildings and damaging nearly all. Ivan has been the worst hurricane to hit the islands in over 85 years. Most of the infrastructure has now been restored in a rapid recovery.

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