

## Elizabeth Romero could be forced into prostitution



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The search for Elizabeth Romero and her alleged kidnapper Eduardo Fabian Flores Rosales continues. However, officials believe that the duo have already crossed the border into Mexico -- something that numerous investigative bodies have tried to prevent since Wednesday of last week. As this case looms close to the one-week-mark, there are numerous theories circulating in this case about what may be happening with the missing teen. Some people believe that she is voluntarily missing with the 19-year-old man she met on the internet. On the other hand, others believe that there are far more sinister elements at play -- such as human trafficking and black market human meat markets.

Could Elizabeth Romero be the victim of sex trafficking? It's already every parent's worst nightmare for their child to go missing, but with fears of sex trafficking and cartel violence at play that nightmare becomes something far darker. Children as young as infants are sold on the black market, wrangled up from every corner of the globe and herded from one master to the next. Some of these young girls are used as sex slaves until they are "used up," -- after which usually ends in their murders. If this young girl has been forced into prostitution by the man who is accused of "grooming her for abduction," then she may never be found alive.

While these fears are clear and present, it's important to hold onto the hope that there is a more pleasant reality at play. While it's not an ideal situation, the scenario of this 14-year-old girl being a willing runaway is far easier to stomach than the idea of her being sold for unimaginable sex acts and then killed. She could very well be "safe" with this man, living across the Mexican border -- much like many young girls have managed to do without being murdered or sold into the horrors of human trafficking.

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