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Three hundred and forty-six lives lost. Two flights, one near Indonesia and the other in Ethiopia, took the lives of three hundred and forty-six men, women, and children. These were mothers, fathers, sons, and daughters that never got to see their loved ones again. These accidents could have been avoided; these lives were lost due to greed. And their murderers have gotten away scot free. The murderers sit in a 36-floor skyscraper in Chicago, Illinois raking in $76 Billion dollars annually. Boeing admitted to knowing that there was a defect in the 737 MAX and never reported it to the required agencies. Instead the put profits ahead of the safety of their passengers.

Milton Friedman infamously wrote “there is one and only one social responsibility of business — to use its resources and engage in activities designed to increase its profits so long as it stays within the rules of the game, which is to say, engages in open and free competition without deception or fraud” (Friedman, 1970, p.178). In the business world, the first half of this quote is used to justify shady business deals. The latter part of the sentence is often kept off since it specifically calls out deception and fraud as unfair.

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