

11/22/78

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Attached concerns ongoing investigation captioned RYMUR, involving the murder of Congressman Leo J. Ryan on 11/18/78 in Jonestown, Guyana. Instant Sacramento teletype advises that [redacted] white male, DOB [redacted]

[redacted] advised he was a member of inner council of People's Temple (PT) from [redacted]. He said he has information regarding planned assassinations of national and California State leaders. He expressed fear of being killed by Jones' followers. [redacted] advised in 1972 he joined PT with immediate family [redacted] and was told as [redacted] he would be of great value to PT. [redacted] donated [redacted] of real estate to Jones and was made head of [redacted] and taken into inner council. (U)

[redacted] advised inner council consisted of 50 to 100 of the most fanatical followers and said Jones had incredible control over these members, administering loyalty tests by drinking reportedly poisoned liquid. Jones also had inner circle members make statements regarding intent to kill President and Vice President, etc. who were his enemies. In event of Jones' demise, retaliation should immediately be taken in form of assassination of President and all in line of succession, state leaders and Mayor Moscone of San Francisco, also bombing of power plants, specifically Rancho Seco Nuclear Power Plant near Sacramento. [redacted] furnished no specific details regarding assassination plots. It is noted he has not been in contact with Jones or PT since late 1974. (U)

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[redacted] advised he [redacted] tracted entire family from Jones' control after months of careful planning since family members separated and watched closely. He stated some defectors were murdered but provided no specifics. He furnished names of persons recalled as members of inner council. These names are being searched in our indices and Identification Division. (u)

[redacted] advised he heard Jones make statements concerning a munitions train explosion in Emoryville, California, no other details given. [redacted] advised Jones also claimed credit for bombing of PG&E Power Plants in San Francisco Bay area, claimed contacts with members of Nation of Islam, LCN, Moonies, Synanon, and numerous government officials. [redacted] claims Jones traveled to East Germany, Cuba, and Switzerland and said Jones' personal wealth from income of PT estimated at 30 to 50 million dollars. [redacted] said PT membership as of 1974 estimated at 20 to 30 thousand with 150 hard core fanatics.

[redacted] advised he traveled to Guyana and helped in construction of PT compound. He believes many of 1200 members in Guyana being held against their will. He advised he was visited 14 months ago by Carolyn Layton and two unidentified men who promised to kill him if he talked to authorities. (u)

[redacted] claims he was contacted one to two years ago in Fresno, California, by two federal agents interested in tax status of PT. He believes one Agent with IRS and one with FBI. Details of contact vague but [redacted] claims most of above was furnished to these Agents. Sacramento indices negative regarding [redacted]. (u)

[redacted] taped interview. He also appeared on local [redacted] news programs 11/19 and 20/78. (u)

San Francisco and Sacramento advising appropriate state, city, and utility officials of reported threats. Information in attached with identity of source deleted furnished to U. S. Secret Service; Deputy Attorney General, Emergency Programs Center; Assistant Attorney General, General Crimes Section and Internal Security Section; Central Intelligence Agency; Defense Intelligence Agency; and The White House Situation Room. (u)