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SAN FRANCISCO (89-250) IMMEDIATE (SF VIA FBI/HQ)

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RE BUREAU TELETYPE TO DENVER, NOVEMBER 21, 1978. (u)

ON NOVEMBER 21, 1978, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA, HOME TELEPHONE

[REDACTED] WORK TELEPHONE [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT

HER MOTHER, LENA MAE BENTON, AGE 65, HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED

AS A MEMBER OF THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE (PT) FOR ABOUT FOUR YEARS.

MRS. [REDACTED] STATED SHE HAS NEVER BEEN A MEMBER OF PT.

HOWEVER, SHE INDICATED SHE DOES HAVE AN AUNT AND AN

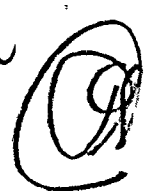
UNCLE, [REDACTED] WHO ALSO ARE

MEMBERS OF PT. SHE DOES NOT KNOW WHERE THEY LIVE;

HOWEVER, IT IS SOMEWHERE IN OR AROUND SAN FRANCISCO.

MRS. [REDACTED] STATED THAT HER SISTER, [REDACTED] (u)

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ADDRESS UNKNOWN, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, TELEPHONE

[REDACTED] MAY KNOW THE RESIDENCE OF THE [REDACTED] (u)

MRS. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT A YEAR AGO OCTOBER, SHE HAD NOT HEARD FROM HER MOTHER FOR SEVERAL WEEKS. SHE CALLED HER SISTER, [REDACTED] WHO ADVISED THAT HER MOTHER HAD LEFT FOR GUYANA IN SEPTEMBER, 1977, WITH MEMBERS OF THE PT. [REDACTED] ACCORDING TO MRS. [REDACTED] DETERMINED THE LOCATION OF HER MOTHER THROUGH [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SHE STATED SHE DID NOT ADVISE [REDACTED] INITIALLY BECAUSE JIM JONES ADVISED THE MEMBERS NOT TO TELL RELATIVES OF THE DEPARTURE DATES FOR GUYANA. (u)

MRS. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HER MOTHER, WHILE SHE WAS LIVING IN LOS ANGELES, SELDOM HAD OR WORE JEWELRY. SHE FURTHER NOTED THAT HER MOTHER ALWAYS CALLED HER CHILDREN BY NICKNAMES RATHER THAN BY THEIR GIVEN NAMES. SHE INDICATED THAT FROM ALMOST THE FIRST LETTER SHE RECEIVED FROM HER MOTHER IN GUYANA, HER MOTHER ASKED FOR MONEY, WATCHES, AND OTHER JEWELRY WHICH SHE NEVER HAD BUT REQUESTED IN EACH OF HER LETTERS. (u)

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MRS. [] FURTHER STATED THAT HER MOTHER ALWAYS SENT HER LOVE AND REGARDS TO HER SON, [] WHOM SHE ALWAYS CALLED [] BEFORE SHE WENT TO GUYANA. SHE FURTHER EXPLAINED THAT HER MOTHER HAS ALWAYS BEEN A TERRIBLE SPELLER. SHE NOTICED IN HER LETTERS THAT SEVERAL WORDS WERE ALWAYS CROSSED OVER WITH THE CORRECT SPELLING NEXT TO IT. IT IS MRS. [] BELIEF THAT HER MOTHER'S LETTERS WERE CENSORED OR EVEN DICTATED BY SOMEONE THERE IN GUYANA. (u)

WHILE HER MOTHER WAS STILL IN LOS ANGELES, SHE SPOKE OF PT PREACHING LOVE AND SOMEDAY LIVING IN A PARADISE WITH JIM JONES AND OTHER PT MEMBERS. (u)

MRS. [] STATED SHE HAS HAD LITTLE CONTACT WITH PT MEMBERS OTHER THAN HER MOTHER. SHE COULD NOT PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION RELATING TO ANY WEAPONS SHIPMENT TO GUYANA, FIREARMS TRAINING, OR ANY CASHING OF WEAPONS OR MONIES. SHE HAS NEVER HEARD OF PT MEMBERS PLANNING TO HARM PUBLIC OFFICIALS OR PRESENT OR FORMER PT MEMBERS. SHE FURTHER HAS (u)

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NO INFORMATION REGARDING ANY CONTINGENCY PLANS ESPOUSED
BY JONES AGAINST PERSONS ATTEMPTING TO ARREST OR
CAPTURE HIM. MRS. [REDACTED] FURTHER ADVISED THAT SHE HAS
NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY "HIT MEN" OR "ANGELS" USED BY THE
PT. (u)

MRS. [REDACTED] WAS UNABLE TO PROVIDE ANY OTHER
PERTINENT INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE PT. (u)

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