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[redacted] was interviewed upon her arrival at the John F. Kennedy International Airport from Georgetown, Guyana. After being apprized of the identity of the interviewing agent and Special Agent [redacted] of the United States Secret Service, who was present during the interview, [redacted] provided the following information: (u)

[redacted] had been in Guyana since August 19, 1977, and in Georgetown for approximately the last two months. She had gone to Georgetown to [redacted] and [redacted] at the People's Temple house. Except for the last two months, [redacted] had not been outside the Jonestown complex since her arrival in Guyana. (u)

[redacted] first came in contact with the People's Temple approximately nine years ago when she resided in the Redwood Valley near Ukiah, California. A friend of hers, [redacted] told her that the Temple was wonderful and [redacted] went to her first meeting nine months after her first contact with the People's Temple. JONES told the members of the People's Temple that the Temple should move to Guyana because poor people could not obtain land in the United States. [redacted] voluntarily gave her home to the People's Temple when the latter moved to San Francisco. [redacted] was told by the Reverend JIM JONES that if she did not give her home to the People's Temple, the Government would take it away by imposing high taxes. [redacted] was also told that the proceeds from the sale of her house would be used to help educate the children and elderly of the People's Temple. Upon her arrival at Jonestown, Guyana, [redacted] gave her money to Layton. [redacted] noted that not many Black people in Jonestown handled money. (u)

[redacted] added that when she arrived in Jonestown, life was not as she envisioned it would be. She lived in a building first called a dorm and later called a cottage. [redacted] job consisted of doing maid work, caring for children, cooking and washing. [redacted] never protested because her (u)

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[ ] CARDELL NEAL, (died at Jonestown), told her to keep her mouth shut or he would die. If you did not do as JONES wished, you would be put in a guarded place. (u)

[ ] stated that she was not aware of any threats to harm public officials or current and former members of the People's Temple. [ ] stated that political leaders were never mentioned. (u)

The day of the suicides at Jonestown, [ ] was in Georgetown. About 8:30 PM, [ ] heard screaming at the house and closed the door in the room where she was staying. Someone told her that a mother, a Jewish lady, had cut her daughter's throat and that a white man had also cut one of her daughter's throat. [ ] heard that they wanted to kill STEPHIE JONES and [ ] recalled seeing a little girl with blood on her leg and throat. (u)

Present at the Georgetown house with [ ] were HENRY YATES, 50 years old and planning to marry a Guyanese soldier, MARY ANN CASSANOVA and her daughter, JIM JONES, Jr., STEVEN JONES (JIM JONES' only blood son), LEE AGNER (phonetic), DEBBIE CRUCETT, SMITH (First Name Unknown) (FNU), JEAN SMITH, CARL (Last Name Unknown) (LNU), one of the GIEGS. (u)

[ ] stated that the People's Temple had two boats. There were two different names for one boat and one was a big u-boat from San Francisco. [ ] heard that the u-boat had been rented. (u)

[ ] saw only two weapons at Jonestown, but saw many bows and arrows. [ ] had no specific knowledge of acquisition or shipment of any weapons by the People's Temple. She never saw anyone training with any weapons. [ ] did not know what was kept in Cottage 14. (u)

[ ] noted that drugs were kept in a restricted area and she did not have access to them. [ ] once heard JIM JONES order that drugs be given to a girl because she wanted to fight. (u)

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Guards were used at Jonestown to keep inhabitants from leaving. [redacted] did not see these guards with guns, but they did carry cutlasses. [redacted] did not know any of the guards by name. She recalled that at meetings, JONES stated that if anyone should leave Jonestown, the church would have someone "take care of you". (u)

At one of the meetings or "gatherings", [redacted] was present during a practice suicide drill. JONES' plan was that if one should come to Jonestown to take anyone away, everyone would kill each other, all would die together. During this drill, in September, 1978, everyone took the Kool-Aid because they were afraid not to. [redacted] believed the drill was a result of the visit by a lawyer who wanted to take away one of JONES' children. JONES insisted that the child was his. (u)

[redacted] recalled that once someone fired shots into the compound at Jonestown. Bullets were heard and everyone laid down flat on the ground. Jones stated that the CIA and the lawyer who wanted JONES' child were responsible for the shots. (u)

[redacted] stated that JONES was ill. At the meetings, doctors told everyone that JONES' temperature was 105 degrees at all times. [redacted] noted that JONES could not remain anywhere for long because he had to use a bathroom often. (u)

[redacted] believed that the People's Temple's money was placed in a bank in Georgetown. [redacted] recalled that on one occasion, the Guyanese police raided her cottage and found some money. [redacted] did not know how the money had gotten in her cottage. [redacted] stated that there was one woman who controlled the money who was called a "coordinator" and picked by JONES. (u)

[redacted] stated that members of the People's Temple were told to tell visitors that they worked when they wanted to and not to tell them how much they ate. In reality, they worked everyday, except half day on Sunday. [redacted] added that they had plenty of food to eat, although meat was usually given to the children. Discipline consisted of being worked harder than usual. (u)

[redacted] noted that all Jonestown survivors were required to give their names and phone numbers where they could be reached in the United States to the United States Embassy in Guyana. [redacted] heard that 30 persons escaped suicide at Jonestown, but she was of the opinion that there must have been more, as Jones had told Temple members that there were 13,000 inhabitants of Jonestown. [redacted] believed that there were more babies than were discovered who had no American passports because they were born in Guyana. /u/

[redacted] provided the following information regarding the below noted individuals: /u/

STEVEN JONES

Son of JIM JONES; white; from San Francisco; worked with a caterpillar to clear land at Jonestown

JIM JONES, Jr.

Alias "Junior"; black; from San Francisco

LOU JONES

Black; from San Francisco; dead

CALVIN DOUGLAS

Black; from San Francisco; in Georgetown; told [redacted] he would be glad to return to the United States; mother resides in San Francisco

JOHNNY COBB JONES

Black; in Georgetown; wants [redacted] to keep house for him. /u/

JOHNNY JONES, JR.

Black; dead; from San Francisco

NEWEL

There were a lot of NEWELS at Jonestown. Two brothers are alive. Their father is alive and does not belong to the People's Temple. From Los Angeles; one of the NEWEL brothers was on a boat during the suicides.

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**JIM MACABONE**

Realley JIM MC CABINE:  
from Los Angeles; believed  
dead; black; was a highway  
patrolman in the Redwood  
Valley.

**The GISC Brothers**

There were three; one  
who has nine fingers  
was on one of the Temple  
boats at the time of  
the suicides and is presently  
in Georgetown (u)

**JOE WILSON**

Black; from San Francisco;  
dead

**LEE INGRAM**

Black; in Georgetown

**CHRIS O'NEAL**

Male

[redacted] advised that she never heard of anyone  
being beaten at Jonestown. She stated, however, that she  
would not be surprised if such things occurred because she  
did not know what happened at night. [redacted] noted that  
she was usually exhausted because it was difficult to sleep  
with the constant playing of news tape recordings over the  
Public Address System. (u)

Concerning the assassination of Congressman LEO  
RYAN, [redacted] stated that she did not know anything about  
that matter because she was in Georgetown at the time.  
[redacted] heard that the reason for the assassination was that  
a black girl from Los Angeles was trying to escape from  
Jonestown. (u)

[redacted] stated that she recalled that Reverend  
JIM JONES asked the members of the People's Temple if they  
would move to Russia or Cuba. The members, however, responded  
that they did not wish to go because there were no blacks  
in Russia. They told JONES that they would rather return  
to the United States. (u)

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[redacted] stated that she was not aware of any contingency plans that existed or any discussions of a plan by JIM JONES as a means of retaliation against anyone attempting to arrest or capture JONES. [redacted] recalled, however, that JONES had once stated that if the CIA should come after him, he would surrender so that the remaining members of the People's Temple would not be hurt. (u)

Regarding the involvement of members of the People's Temple in any criminal offenses, [redacted] stated that JONES had often admonished one "STANLEY" (Last Name Unknown) (LNU) that he would not return to the United States because he would be arrested. [redacted] described "STANLEY" as a black male, very dark complexion, 5'9" tall, slim build, approximately thirty years old and having a receding hairline with a noticeable bald spot in the middle of the top of his head. [redacted] added that "STANLEY" is still in Georgetown, Guyana. (u)

[redacted] noted that MARY ANN CASSANOVA operated the radio at Jonestown. MARY ANN CASSANOVA is in Georgetown and is supposed to return to the United States with DIANE CASSANOVA who is keeping a child who is deaf, dumb, approximately eighteen years old and called "HENRY". [redacted] added that a girl on the airplane from Georgetown with [redacted] was a radio operator. [redacted] could not recall her name, but stated that this young lady was wearing a blue pantsuit. (u)

[redacted] acknowledged that she was required to sign many papers without reading them. [redacted] did not know what the papers stated, as she does not know how to read. (u)

[redacted] stated that she was not aware that the Reverend JONES had bodyguards. [redacted] was of the opinion that JONES did not need bodyguards because everyone was afraid to do anything to him. (u)

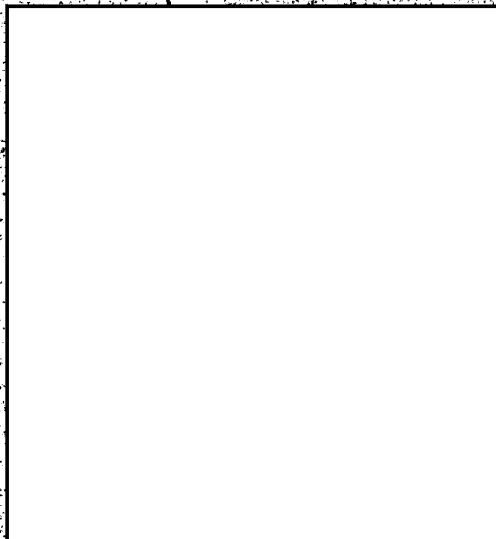
[redacted] recalled that JONES had said that China had tunnels for people and a "bean". [redacted] heard talk of nuclear weapons, but never heard JONES say he had one. (u)

[redacted] stated that she had never heard of Doctor LAWRENCE EUGENE SCHACHT. (u)

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The following information regarding [redacted] was obtained through observation and interview: (u)

Name  
Alias  
Race  
Sex  
Date of Birth  
Place of Birth  
Height  
Weight  
Build  
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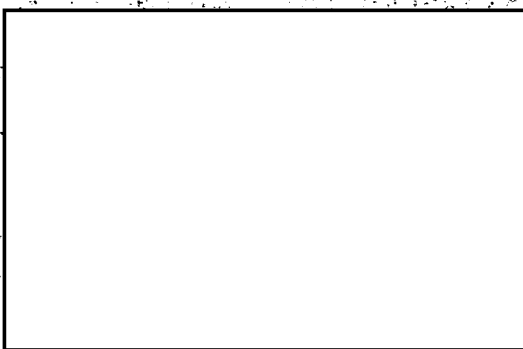


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Aunt

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Special Agent (SA) [redacted] served upon [redacted] a subpoena issued within the United States District Court (USDC), Northern District of California (NDC), for a Grand Jury appearance at San Francisco, California, on January 24, 1979. The above subpoena was served in the Pan American International Arrivals Building at John F. Kennedy International Airport. (u)

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