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ON JAN. 12, 1979, SGT. [REDACTED] HOMICIDE BUREAU,
MEMPHIS, TENN., POLICE DEPARTMENT, (MPD) FURNISHED THE
FOLLOWING INFORMATION: (u)

ON MORNING OF JAN. 12, 1979, MARK LANE, APRIL FERGUSON (WHO
IS DESCRIBED AS LANE'S ASSOCIATE), AND TERRI BUFORD WENT TO THE
HOMICIDE BUREAU, MPD, AND REQUESTED AN INTERVIEW. LANE INFORMED
SGT. [REDACTED] AND ASSISTANT CHIEF OF POLICE HOLT THAT HE PLANS
TO INITIATE LEGAL ACTION AGAINST THE MPD AND OTHER UNNAMED LAW
ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES BECAUSE A REPORTER WITH ESQUIRE MAGAZINE
HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT KOOL-AID PACKAGES FOUND ON HIS DOOR^S IN JAN 16 1979
NOVEMBER, 1978, WERE PLACED ON THE DOOR BY LANE. LANE WILL GO

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ON NATIONAL TV ON MONDAY, JAN. 15, 1979, AND ANNOUNCE HIS PLANS FOR THE LEGAL ACTION. (u)

LANE WANTED TO TAPE HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH OFFICERS OF THE MPD. HE WAS INFORMED THAT THIS WAS NOT GENERALLY ACCEPTED PROCEDURE BY THE MPD. LANE BECAME ANGRY, LEFT THE OFFICE OF THE HOMICIDE BUREAU, AND INDICATED HE WAS GOING TO THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS BUREAU OF THE MPD TO FILE A COMPLAINT. (u)

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU AND SAN FRANCISCO, MARK LANE HAS REPORTED HE RECEIVED WHAT HE FELT WAS A THREAT TO HIS LIFE BECAUSE OF THE RECENT RITUAL-MASS SUICIDE OF MORE THAN 900 PEOPLE IN JONESTOWN, GUYANA. LANE FOUND FOUR PACKAGES OF KOOL-AID IN A PLASTIC BAG IN THE DOOR OF HIS RESIDENCE EARLY ON NOV. 25, 1978. THE MATTER WAS INVESTIGATED BY OFFICERS OF THE MPD; HOWEVER, ACCORDING TO SGT. [REDACTED] NO SUSPECTS HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS INCIDENT. (u)

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MEMPHIS WILL FOLLOW AND FURNISH BUREAU AND SAN FRANCISCO ANY ADDITIONAL PERTINENT INFORMATION RECEIVED REGARDING LANE'S ACTIVITIES. (u)

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