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TAGS: OGEN, ORG, GY (PEOPLES TEMPLE)

SUBJECT: COPYING OF TAPE RECORDINGS AND DOCUMENTS

4 JAN 22 1979

58 JAN 26 1979 OBTAINED FROM JONESTOWN

Guyana

1. COPYING OF FOUR CRATES OF TAPE RECORDINGS OBTAINED BY  
U.S. CONSUL FROM JONESTOWN SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY 2/2.

IF QUESTIONS ARISE IN DELAYS IN COPYING THESE TAPES  
IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT :

(A) COPYING HAS BEEN DELAYED BECAUSE OF SIGNIFICANT  
DETERIORATION OF TAPE CAUSED BY HOT, HUMID STORAGE  
CONDITIONS AT JONESTOWN WHICH PREVENTS ORIGINALS FROM  
BEING COPIED AT HIGH-SPEED.

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(B) FBI HAS BEEN ABLE TO SIGNIFICANTLY ENHANCE QUALITY  
OF COPIES THROUGH TECHNICAL PROCESSES. THUS, COPIES  
ARE CLEARER THAN ORIGINALS.

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(C) FURTHER STORAGE OF ORIGINAL RECORDINGS IN HOT AND/OR  
HUMID CONDITIONS COULD CAUSE SIGNIFICANT ADDITIONAL

DETERIORATION OF ORIGINAL RECORDINGS.

2. FOR THE ABOVE REASONS, WE MAY ULTIMATELY WISH TO PROPOSE TO GOG THAT WE STORE ALL ORIGINAL TAPE RECORDINGS AT CLIMATE CONTROLLED FACILITY IN WASHINGTON AREAN PROVIDE THE GOG WITH COPIES OF ALL TAPES FOR INVESTIGATIVE USE, AND PROVIDE WITH ORIGINALS OF TAPES AS NEEDED IN CONNECTION WITH COURT PROCEEDINGS IN GUYANA.

3. FBI HAS REITERATED ITS INVITATION TO GOG TO SEND A GOG POLICE OFFICIAL TO U.S. TO WORK WITH FBI IN CONNECTION WITH COPYING OF SEVEN CRATES OF TAPE RECORDINGS NOW IN POSSESSION OF GOG.

4. PLEASE ADVISE US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF STATUS OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH GOG ON ABOVE SEVEN CRATES OF TAPES.

5. COPYING OF DOCUMENTS HAS BEEN DELAYED BECAUSE OF NEED TO SORT THEM BY SUBJECT MATTER AND TO NUMBER EACH ONE PRIOR TO COPYING THEM. WE HAVE NO FIRM ESTIMATE ON WHEN COPYING OF DOCUMENTS WILL BE COMPLETED. VANCE