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COMUSJTF SOUTH (GUYANA OPERATION) SENDS

REF: A. JCS 210221Z NOV 78

1. (U) SITUATION, INITIAL ELEMENTS OF USJTF SOUTH ARRIVED TIMEHRI AIRPORT, GUYANA AT 211130Z NOV 78, AND WERE MET BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GUYANA DEFENSE FORCE (GDF) AND AMEMB GEORGETOWN, GUYANA. REMAINDER OF USSOUTHCOM ELEMENTS HAVE ARRIVED AND THE SUPPORT BASE AT TIMEHRI AIRPORT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED, FACILITATED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF AMEMBASSY

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GEORGETOWN.

2. ~~(C)~~ INTELLIGENCE. CURRENT SITUATION IN JONESTOWN

IS STABLE. GDF TOOK CONTROL OF JONESTOWN EVENING OF 19 NOV WITH NO OPPOSITION. GDF HAS CONFIRMED 405 DEAD, INCLUDING JAMES JONES, OF VOLUNTARILY INGESTED POTASSIUM CYANIDE LACED KOOL-AID.

JONES HAD ALSO BEEN SHOT AS HAD A VERY FEW OF THE 405 DEAD.

IT IS PROBABLY THAT ALL OR MOST OF JONES' HARD CORE FOLLOWERS ARE DEAD, THUS REDUCING THE POTENTIAL THREAT TO

USJTF RECOVERY OPERATIONS. RETURNING

SURVIVORS THUS FAR HAVE NOT BEEN HOSTILE. SOME WEAPONS,

HOWEVER, ARE BELIEVED UNACCOUNTED FOR; AS A RESULT, THE THREAT OF RANDOM SNIPER ATTACKS CANNOT BE DISCOUNTED. UTM COORDINATES

OF JONESTOWN ARE ESTIMATED AS 21NSJ762492. THESE COORDINATES

WILL BE UPDATED WHEN LOCATION VERIFIED. WEATHER IN JONESTOWN

ARE IS HOT AND HUMID, WITH A HIGH INCIDENCE OF TROPICAL RAIN

SHOWERS; THUS HAMPERING RECOVERY OPERATIONS.

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3. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ EVALUATION OF SIGNIFICANT FACTORS.

A. GDF REPRESENTATIVES HAVE BEEN MOST CORDIAL AND HELPFUL.

THEIR COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE HAVE ALREADY PROVEN INVALUABLE AND SHOULD FACILITATE RECOVERY OPERATIONS.

B. HF VOICE NET HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BY USAF CCT PERSONNEL.

USA COMMUNICATIONS ARE BEING ESTABLISHED AT THIS TIME.

C. NO SIGNIFICANT LOGISTICS PROBLEMS ARE FORESEEN UNLESS

DELAYS ARE ENCOUNTERED IN THE ARRIVAL OF CONOS AUGMENTATION

PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT SCHEDULED IN TONIGHT AND EARLY TOMORROW.

D. PERSONNEL OF USJTF SOUTH PRESENTLY TOTALS 17 OFFICERS

AND 58 ENLISTED.

4. (U) OPERATIONS SUMMARY. THE COMMANDER USJTF MET WITH

THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TODAY TO DISCUSS THE RECOVERY OPERATION.

ONE USJTF MEMBER OVERFLEW THE OPERATIONAL AREA ABOARD A LOCAL

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CESSNA AND ASSESSED THE AIRFIELDS AT MATTHEWS RIDGE AND PORT KAITUMA. HE ALSO OVERFLEW JONESTOWN. REMAINDER OF DAY HAS BEEN UTILIZED IN CONDUCTING THE ORGANIZATION PLANNING AND COORDINATION REQUIRED TO COMMENCE RECOVERY OPERATIONS IN THE MORNING.

5. ~~COX~~ COMMANDERS PLANS. AT 220430Z NOV 78 MOVEMENT TO THE FORWARD AREA WILL BEGIN. UTILIZING ORGANIC FIXED WING AND GDF FIXED AND ROTARY WING ASSETS, A REFUE POINT WILL BE ESTABLISHED AT MATTHEWS RIDGE AIRFIELD AND A FORWARD BASE WILL BE ESTABLISHED AT JONESTOWN. PRIORITY OF TASKS WILL BE ESTABLISHMENT OF REFUE POINT, MOVEMENT OF GRAVES REGISTRATION/ BODY RECOVERY ELEMENT TO JONESTOWN, INITIATION OF BODY I.D./ PREPARATION FOR MOVEMENT, ESTABLISHMENT OF FORWARD CP AT JONESTOWN. CH53 ASSETS WILL BE EMPLOYED AS SOON AS AVAILABLE FOR TRANSHIPMENT OF BODIES FROM JONESTOWN TO GEORGETOWN.

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