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FM DIRECTOR, FBI
 TO LEGAL ATTACHE, BERN {PRIORITY}
 U. S. EMBASSY, GEORGETOWN, GUYANA {IMMEDIATE}
 PERSONAL ATTENTION SA ROBERT OGLESBY
 LEGAL ATTACHE, CARACAS {PRIORITY}
 FBI SAN FRANCISCO {PRIORITY}

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FOR INFORMATION OF RECIPIENTS, THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF
 JUSTICE {DOJ}, CIVIL DIVISION, HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO BRING A
 CIVIL ACTION TO RECOVER CERTAIN FEDERAL FUNDS EXPENDED TO RETURN
 BODIES OF THE JONESTOWN, GUYANA, INCIDENT TO THE UNITED STATES.
 THE DOJ HAS ADVISED THAT IF SUCH AN ACTION IS TO BE BROUGHT,
 VARIOUS FACTS CONCERNING THE ASSETS AND LEGAL STATUS OF THE
 PEOPLES TEMPLE {PT} AND ITS MEMBERS MUST BE UNCOVERED. DOJ
 HAS REQUESTED FBI INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE AND IDENTIFY THE

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ASSETS OF PT.

20 NUMEROUS MEDIA ACCOUNTS HAVE REPORTED ASSETS OF THE PT IN
 18 EXCESS OF SEVERAL MILLION DOLLARS. IT HAS BEEN REPORTED ASSETS
 OF THE PT ARE CONCEALED IN NUMBERED ACCOUNTS IN BANKS IN
 16 NUMEROUS FOREIGN COUNTRIES WHICH ARE LISTED TO MEMBERS OF THE
 PT. AMONG THOSE PROMINENTLY MENTIONED AS HAVING SUCH AN ACCOUNT
 14 IS PT MEMBER ESTHER MUELLER, AN ELDERLY, NOW DECEASED VICTIM OF
 THE JONESTOWN SUICIDE INCIDENT. ASSETS HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO
 12 BE LOCATED AT THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA, THE BARKLAYS BANK OF
 TRINIDAD, PORT OF SPAIN, AND IN AN UNIDENTIFIED BANK IN
 10 SWITZERLAND, BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER 100-468-1, UNDER THE NAME
 "BRIGET." (u)

8 DOJ IS MAKING A DETERMINATION AS TO THE POSSIBILITY OF
 FREEZING THE ASSETS OF THE PT CHURCH WHEREVER LOCATED.

6 THE LEGAL ATTACHE AT GEORGETOWN, GUYANA, SHOULD INSURE
 THAT IN HIS CURRENT REVIEW OF THE EVIDENCE OBTAINED FROM THE
 4 SCENE AT JONESTOWN, GUYANA, THAT AN ACCURATE LIST IS PROMPTLY
 PREPARED IDENTIFYING BANK ACCOUNTS, WHERE LOCATED, AND IN WHOSE
 2 NAME. SUTEL THIS INFORMATION WHEN LIST COMPILED. ALSO ATTEMPT
 TO OBTAIN ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS OR COPIES FOR FORWARDING TO FBIHQ.

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LEGAL ATTACHE BERN THROUGH APPROPRIATE LIAISON SHOULD REQUEST
 INVESTIGATION AS POSSIBLE TO FURTHER IDENTIFY ABOVE MENTIONED
 SWISS BANK ACCOUNT. BERN SHOULD BE AWARE THAT THERE ARE
 NUMEROUS REPORTS OF SWISS BANK ACCOUNTS FOR PT ASSETS (u)

ASSISTANT LEGAL ATTACHE CARACAS SHOULD CONDUCT THE SAME
 INQUIRY RE BARKLAYS BANK, PORT OF SPAIN, NOTING INVESTIGATION
 BY SAN JUAN OFFICE HAS DETERMINED PT FUNDS WERE TRANSFERRED
 FROM THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA TO THE BARKLAYS BANK FOR USE IN
 PURCHASING SUPPLIES FOR THE JONESTOWN CAMP. (u)

SAN FRANCISCO SHOULD, IF NOT ALREADY DONE, DETERMINE
 THROUGH THE STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE THE LEGAL STATUS
 OF THE PT IN CALIFORNIA, I.E., IS THE PT A CORPORATION OR OTHER
 FORM OF BUSINESS, UNDER WHAT LAW WAS IT INCORPORATED OR
 ESTABLISHED, ITS EXACT OFFICIAL NAME AND WHEN ESTABLISHED, THE
 PT'S HISTORY BEFORE THE DATE IT WAS ESTABLISHED AND IDENTIFY
 FOR THE RECORD ITS DIRECTORS, CHIEF OFFICERS AND INCORPORATORS.
 ALSO OBTAIN ANY PUBLIC DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE WHICH REFLECT ABOVE
 INFORMATION. (u)

LEGAL ATTACHE AT GEORGETOWN, GUYANA, SHOULD ALSO OBTAIN
 ABOVE INFORMATION REQUESTED OF SAN FRANCISCO FROM APPROPRIATE

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NOTE: ABOVE INSTRUCTS RECEIVING LEGATS AND SAN FRANCISCO TO
CONDUCT INQUIRY TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE ASSETS OF PT CHURCH FOR
POSSIBLE CIVIL ACTION BY DOJ AS PER DEPARTMENTAL LETTER FROM
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL BARBARA BABCOCK TO DIRECTOR, FBI
UNDATED.