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[REDACTED] was interviewed at John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFKIA) after her departure from Pan American (Pan Am) flight 228 arriving from Georgetown, Guyana. (u)

[REDACTED] was advised of the identities of the interviewing Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Agents and Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] of the United States Secret Service (USSS). (u)

[REDACTED] stated that she first became acquainted with the People's Temple (PT) in early 1971, in Los Angeles, California. [REDACTED] had become a member of the PT, whose leader was the Reverend JIM JONES. The church was based in San Francisco, California, but had a temple in Los Angeles which [REDACTED] belonged to and which [REDACTED] eventually joined in late 1971. (u)

[REDACTED] advised that during the first few years she was a member of the PT she was employed as [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Due to her occupation she was appointed by the PT to [REDACTED] for the Los Angeles chapter. In late 1973, [REDACTED] terminated employment at [REDACTED] and devoted her efforts full time to the PT. She worked under the direct supervision of [REDACTED] and was sent to San Francisco in early 1976, for further instruction. She remained at the PT in San Francisco from early 1976 to December, 1977, when she left the United States (US) and travelled to Guyana to join the PT at Jonestown. [REDACTED] stated that she arrived in Georgetown, Guyana, in December, 1977, and stayed at Lamaha Gardens (a house owned by the PT) for approximately one month awaiting transportation to Jonestown. During her stay in Guyana, [REDACTED] travelled between Jonestown and Georgetown on several occasions. Approximately three and one-half weeks prior to the assassination of Congressman LEO RYAN she returned to Georgetown to work at Lamaha Gardens doing general duties, which consisted of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] She was at Lamaha Gardens the day of the assassination. (u)

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by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] DMW/mk Date dictated 12/5/78

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[REDACTED] stated that Congressman RYAN had visited Lamaha Gardens prior to going to Jonestown and stayed at the house for approximately 30 to 45 minutes. (u) b7

[REDACTED] advised that on Saturday, November 18, 1978, SHARON AMOS controlled the radio room at Lamaha Gardens. AMOS refused everybody access to the room which, according to [REDACTED] was unusual since everybody could use the radio anytime they desired to do so. That evening, as the police arrived at the house, AMOS ran upstairs with a knife and cut her three children's throats. Word of the assassination and mass deaths at Jonestown did not reach the house until early Sunday morning, November 19, 1978. (u)

[REDACTED] recalled that residing at Lamaha Gardens on November 18, 1978, were the coordinators, ROBIN TSETTA (phonetic) and ANDREA WALKER, as well as the basketball team which was in Georgetown to practice for an upcoming tournament. She furnished the following names concerning the members of the team: (u)

STEVEN JONES  
TIM JONES  
JAMES JONES, JR.  
KARAL BARNETT  
MARK CORDELL  
PRESTON WADE  
LEE INGRAM (Coach)  
MIKE TOUCHETTE (Coach)

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(u)

[REDACTED] stated that she was not aware of any plan to assassinate Congressman RYAN and had not heard any threats made against him. She was equally unaware of any mass suicide plans, but recalled one of the members mentioning mass suicide a few years ago. She never participated in any practices to commit suicide and never heard Reverend JIM JONES preaching death or suicide. (u) b7c

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[REDACTED] did recall Reverend JONES telling the membership about mercenaries which might try to attack Jonestown, but denied any knowledge of plans to kill people. (u) b7C

[REDACTED] refused to believe a mass suicide theory and is convinced that the members were forced to drink the cyanide. The following relatives of [REDACTED] were at Jonestown and not listed as survivors: (u)

[REDACTED] was then asked various specific questions and provided the responses which will follow: (u)

Weapons (u)

[REDACTED] although she never observed more than one rifle, remembered an announcement being made at Jonestown which advised members that four rifles had been acquired and were licensed in Guyana. These rifles were to be used for hunting and protection from animals in the jungle. (u) b7C

Over four months ago, [REDACTED] saw JOE WILSON and GARY (LAST NAME UNKNOWN) (LNU), aka Poncho, with one rifle. They were allegedly going into the jungle to practice with it. The only other weapon observed during her stay at Jonestown was a cross-bow carried by BONNIE SIMON. (u)

[REDACTED] did not have any knowledge of caching of weapons, bombs, or nuclear devices. When specifically asked about "hut 14", she stated that it was occupied by children. (u)

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Threats (u)

Unaware of any threats to harm public officials or current and former members of the PT as a result of leaving the church or attempts to expose the church and Reverend JIM JONES. (u)

Money (u)

There was no financial structure at Jonestown. Members turned over all their belongings including checks and money to the treasurer, MARY KATSARIS. (u)

While in Los Angeles, [REDACTED] the PT bank account at the Bank of America, Olympic Branch (u) b7c

Contingency Plan (u)

Unaware of any discussions of a contingency plan which would be utilized as a means of retaliation against any persons attempting to arrest or capture Reverend JIM JONES or interfere with the church. (u)

Murder Targets (u)

Unaware of any plans to kill anybody (u)

Planning Commission (u) b7c

[REDACTED] the planning commission while in Los Angeles. The commission consisted of 50 to 60 people and was responsible for drawing plans which would better the PT. The commission also ordered supplies and voted on what major purchases would be made. (u)

[REDACTED] the planning commission at Jonestown or Georgetown, but advised that MARIA KATSARIS, ROBIN TSETTA (phonetic) and JOAN PURSLEY were members. (u)

Security Force (u)

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[redacted] had no knowledge of a security force other than those who stood at the front gate. These people were not armed, but prevented members from leaving Jonestown. When questioned concerning this, [redacted] advised that some members had attempted to leave by running through the jungle. These members would always be brought back and placed in the Emergency Care Unit (ECU) supposedly because they had been injured in the jungle. ECU was a medical facility at Jonestown and those who tried to escape were always brought there even without visible injury. [redacted] stated that there was also the Public Service Unit (PSU) which was utilized to punish wrong doers. When placed in PSU a person would be forced to do manual labor such as washing clothes and cutting logs. (u)

[redacted] had never heard the term "Angels" utilized at Jonestown. (u)

Basketball Team (u)

[redacted] was questioned concerning the physical description and current whereabouts of the following individuals who, according to [redacted], were members of the basketball team: (u)

1) STEVE JONES, natural son of Reverend JONES, mixed-Indian, male, 19, 6'6", 190 pounds, black hair and mustache, currently in Georgetown.

2) TIM TUPPER, aka Tim Jones, adopted son of Reverend JONES, white, male, 18 - 19, 5'8" - 5'9", 170 - 180 pounds, blond hair, currently in Georgetown. (u)

3) JIM JONES, JR., adopted son of Reverend JONES, black, male, 18 - 19, 5'10", 170 - 180 pounds, slender build, dark complexion, black hair, possible mustache, currently in Georgetown.

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4) CALVIN DOUGLAS, black, male, 18 - 20, 5'8" - 5'9", 170 pounds, off-black hair, currently in Georgetown.

5) JOHNNY COBB JONES, legal name JOHNNY COBB, aka Johnny Jones, Jr., black, male, 19, 5'8" - 5'9", 170 pounds, off-black hair (curly), currently in Georgetown.

6) LEE INGRAM (Coach), black, male, 33, 5'9", 180 - 190 pounds, short natural thinning hair, currently in Georgetown. (u)

7) CLEVELAND NEWELL, brother of CHRIS NEWELL and HERBERT NEWELL, black, male, 22, 5'9" - 5'10", 170 - 175 pounds, black hair, currently in Georgetown.

b7c [redacted] furnished the following information concerning individuals who, according to [redacted] were not members of the basketball team: (u)

1) TIM JONES, aka Tim Jones Night, black, male, 18 - 19, 5'5", believed dead.

2) LOU JONES, adopted son of Reverend JIM JONES, Korean, male, 19 - 20, 5'4", 130 pounds, brown hair, believed dead.

3) JOHNNY JONES, SR., black, male, 25 - 26, 5'7", 130 - 140 pounds, black hair, believed dead.

4) CHRIS NEWELL, brother of HERBERT NEWELL and CLEVELAND NEWELL, black, male, 14, believed dead.

5) DOUG SANDERS, black, male, 27 - 28, 5'6" - 5'7", black hair, believed dead.

6) JIM MC ELVANE, black, male, 40s, 6'6" - 6'7", brown hair, believed dead.

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7) HERBERT NEWELL, brother of CHRIS NEWELL and CLEVELAND NEWELL, black, male, 20, 5'8", 160 - 170 pounds, black hair, worked on boat owned by PT, believed dead.

8) STANLEY GIEG, white, male, 20s, 5'4", blond hair, believed dead.

9) JOE WILSON, black, male, 23 - 25, 5'5" - 5'6", 140 pounds, black hair, believed dead. (u)

10) DON SLY, white, male, 40s, 5'9" - 6', 190 pounds, blond or brown hair, believed dead.

11) CHRIS O'NEAL, unknown to [REDACTED] b7c

Bribery or Influence Peddling (u)

b7c [REDACTED] denied any knowledge of bribery or influence peddling by PT members, but recalled that in 1976, during the US presidential campaign Reverend JIM JONES brought all the members of the San Francisco temple, including [REDACTED] to see Mrs. ROSALYN CARTER campaigning for her husband, JIMMY CARTER. (u)

Assassinations (u)

Unaware of any discussions regarding the assassination of Congressman LEO RYAN or the existence of an assassination squad. Also denies knowledge of plans to assassinate survivors or defectors. (u)

Suicide Drills (u)

[REDACTED] had heard from other members that there were suicide drills conducted at Jonestown. [REDACTED] never attended any of these drills and refused to believe they had occurred. Her personal feeling is that on November 18, 1978, the members were forced to drink the poison and termed the event a "mass murder", but could not offer any information concerning the persons responsible. (u)

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Criminal Offenses (u)

No knowledge of involvement of PT members in any criminal activity. (u)

Radio (u)

[REDACTED] advised that the radios at Jonestown and Georgetown were utilized by members to send messages between the two locations and to contact relatives in the US. [REDACTED] believed the radio was available to all members and on one occasion attempted to call her brother in the US. However, this call resulted in a wrong number, and she could not recall who operated the radio room on that day. [REDACTED] remembered other members had completed calls to the US and never heard of any codes used in the transmissions (u)

The following individuals were identified as regular radio operators: (u)

- 1) MIKE CARTER
- 2) SANDY JONES (Deceased)
- 3) SHARON AMOS (Deceased)
- 4) MARIA KATSARIS (Deceased)
- 5) KAREN LAYTON (Deceased)
- 6) CAROLINE LAYTON (Deceased)
- 7) ROBIN TSETTA (phonetic)
- 8) ANDREA WALKER
- 9) AVA JONES (Deceased)
- 10) GLORIA CARTER (Deceased)
- 11) MARYANN CASANOVA
- 12) MARY WATERSPOON (Deceased)

Oaths Signed (u)

[REDACTED] had no knowledge of any written or oral oaths signed by members of the church. She stated that when she



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attended meetings in the US she signed blank sheets (8½" X 10") of paper which were allegedly for attendance purposes. (u)

Relocation Plans (u)

Never heard of any plans to relocate in the event of a mass suicide. She had heard from other members that Reverend JONES discussed mass suicide, but she did not believe them. (u)

Soviet and Cuban Association (u)

b7c [redacted] advised that the Jonestown compound had received two Soviet visitors in the past five months. One of the visitors spoke to the membership and told them that he was very pleased with what was happening at Jonestown. [redacted] stated that approximately two weeks prior to the first Soviet visit, the membership began Russian language classes. [redacted] never heard of any plans to move the PT to the Soviet Union and could not recall the names of the visitors. (u)

Bodyguards (u)

[redacted] advised that the only people who could be considered bodyguards for Reverend JONES were TIM JONES, JIMMY JONES and JOE WILSON. These people were always with the Reverend JONES and had a close association with him. [redacted] never observed these people with weapons except the one time she observed WILSON with a rifle going for target practice. (u)

Contact With California Officials (u)

[redacted] recalled viewing photographs of Lieutenant Governor MERV DIMALLY (phonetic) visiting the Jonestown compound. This visit was prior to December, 1977. (u)

The only other people [redacted] recalled seeing were attorneys CHARLES GEARY and MARK LANE (u)

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PAULA ADAMS (u)

b7C [redacted] stated that PAULA ADAMS was in charge of Public Relations for the PT. [redacted] never heard ADAMS referred to as "JONES' sexual secretary" and had no knowledge of any Government officials being compromised. (u)

DR. LAWRENCE EUGENE SCHACHT (u)

[redacted] advised that SCHACHT was the medical doctor for the Jonestown compound. She stated that he attended medical school in Mexico and received his degree in Long Beach, California. SCHACHT was the only doctor at Jonestown and was frequently assisted by JOYCE PARKS and SHARON COBB. (u)

[redacted] could offer no information concerning the acquisition of poison or the identity of SCHACHT's associates in the US. (u)

Drugs (u)

[redacted] advised that she had no knowledge of any drug trafficking by the PT. The only drugs available were kept in the medical hut. (u)

According to [redacted] Mickey Mouse dolls were produced at Jonestown and sold in Georgetown. Money raised from the sales was used to buy supplies. (u)

Future Plans (u)

[redacted] advised that she will return to the west coast, establish a residence, and seek employment. She will temporarily reside with [redacted] another returning survivor. (u)

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The following information was obtained through observation and interview: (u)

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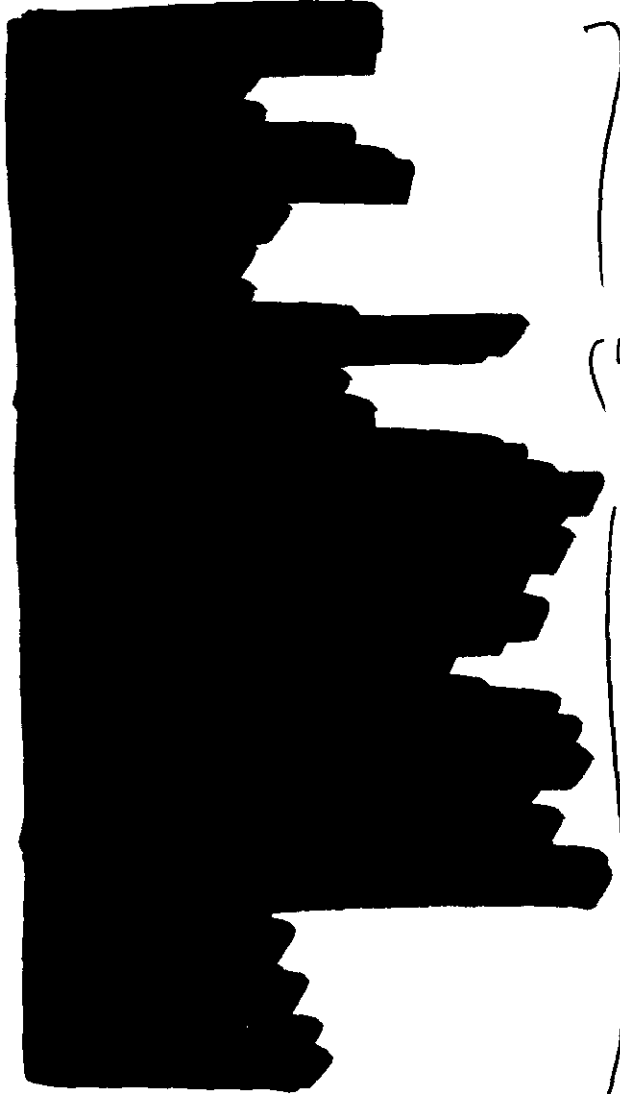
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Family Members

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Associate (u)

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