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Date 12/18/78

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (89-4286)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (89-110) (P)

SUBJECT: RYMUR

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Re San Francisco teletype to Bureau 12/13/78 (u)

Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy and for San Francisco the original and one copy of FD-302's containing results of interviews of the following persons: (u)

- on 11/29 and 11/30/78
- on 12/4/78
- on 12/4/78
- on 12/4/78
- on 12/1/78
- on 11/29/78
- on 12/8/78
- on 12/8/78 and 12/14/78

retained in strict confidence on each occasion he was interviewed.

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- 2 - San Francisco (89-250) (Encs. 20)
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[redacted] was interviewed at her residence, [redacted]
[redacted] Memphis, Tennessee. She furnished the
following information: (u)

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She is employed by [redacted]
[redacted] Memphis, Tennessee. [redacted]
[redacted] is the subscriber to Memphis telephone number [redacted]
and has been for approximately three months. The telephone
is located at [redacted] (u)

About 4:00 p.m. on November 23, 1978, [redacted] received
a telephone call at her residence. The caller first stated
she was going to think the call was a prank call and then
identified himself as [redacted] with the WALTER CRONKITE Show.
He told her he was calling regarding the situation in Guyana,
pointing out that telephone number [redacted] had been found in
the effects of JIM JONES in Guyana. He told her that if she
desired, she could call him back on telephone number
[redacted] as an aid in establishing his identity. [redacted]
did not call him back and he continued his questioning by
asking for her name. She told him and he said he would give
her three names and requested that she tell him whether she
recognized any of them. He gave her the three names, two of
which she did not recognize and could not recall but one of
which was [redacted] her son. (u)

She advised him that [redacted] was her son.
He told her the three names he mentioned were also found in
JONES' effects in Guyana and wanted to know whether her son
had any connections with people in Jonestown, Guyana. She
told him she does not see her son often, that he seldom comes
by her residence, and she knew nothing regarding his connections.
The call was thereafter terminated. [redacted] called her son,
[redacted] on the evening of November 23,
1978, [redacted] He told her he had
no idea how his name was found in Guyana but did mention a
call he had received about two weeks previously. This caller
asked about his knowledge of someone, name not recalled. He
told her he thought it was possibly someone with the Memphis
Police Department calling without identifying themselves as
representatives of that department. (u)

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[redacted] stated she has no knowledge of the People's Temple (PT) other than recent information she has seen in newspapers and hears on news broadcasts. She has no information indicating her son or other relatives or associates are connected with the PT. (u)

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[redacted]
Mississippi, telephone [redacted] was interviewed at the
[redacted] Memphis, Tennessee, [redacted]
Memphis, Tennessee. He furnished the following information: (u)

He is employed by [redacted]
[redacted] Memphis, Tennessee.
He was engaged in [redacted] in
the [redacted] Memphis,
during the period [redacted] 1978. In connection
with his work, he [redacted]

[redacted] in Memphis. He observed [redacted]
[redacted]

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On [redacted] 1978, [redacted] name not
known to [redacted] Memphis Inter-
national Airport. Based on conversation [redacted]
[redacted] is of the opinion
they traveled to California and were to return to Memphis
on [redacted] 1978. (u)

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During the course of time [redacted] was employed at
[redacted] (u)

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[redacted] (last name unknown), all of whom he believes

[redacted] (u)

On one occasion during the period of time [redacted] was [redacted] he observed a man across the street from [redacted] taking various measurements of the area. [redacted] approached him and learned [redacted] and was taking the measurements in connection with his employment. [redacted] asked him if he knew the identity of the individual [redacted] and the individual responded in the negative. [redacted] thereafter informed him that [redacted] whereupon the individual commented, "He is a communist." (u)

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The following description of [redacted] was obtained by observation and interrogation: (u)

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	[redacted]
Height	[redacted]
Weight	[redacted]
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown

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He requested that his identity be retained in strict confidence. (u)

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[redacted],
Mississippi, was interviewed [redacted]
[redacted] Memphis, Tennessee. He fur-
nished the following information: (u)

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[redacted] has been employed [redacted]
[redacted]
Memphis, Tennessee, for four years. He served in the U. S.
Air Force from October, 1965, to April, 1970, when he was
honorably discharged. He has never been arrested. (u)

During the period [redacted], 1978, [redacted]



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According to [redacted] the [redacted] (u)

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[redacted] composed of two floors, a basement, and an attic. The first floor contains a living room, office, kitchen, den, breakfast area, and a bathroom. The stairway connecting the first and second floors is located on the side of the house and connects with the living room, den, and kitchen on the first floor. The second floor contains four bedrooms, a central hall, and a bathroom. The stairway connects with the central hall and also leads to the attic above. The [redacted]

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[redacted] is located in the southwest quadrant of the second floor. The room has a solid wood door and is approximately nine by twelve feet with a ten foot ceiling. It has double hung windows, one on the west side of the room and one on the south side of the room. A closet is offset in the room on the side extending from the south wall along the east wall to a point about three feet from the northeast corner of the room. [redacted]

[redacted]
the room. A bed was located in the northwest quadrant of the room. A 4-legged table was located against the south wall, partially beneath the window located on the south side of the room. This is a rectangular table, four by six feet in size, with a distressed finish, apparently due to wear and age. [redacted]

[redacted] The floor of this room appears to be hardwood and no rugs or carpets were observed on it. [redacted]

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[Redacted] (u)
[Redacted] observed [Redacted]

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During the period [Redacted] 1978. [Redacted] ob-
served [Redacted]

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[Redacted] (u)

[Redacted] stated [Redacted]

[Redacted] (u)

He requested that his identity be retained in
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[redacted] who resides at [redacted]
[redacted] Mississippi, was interviewed at his
place of employment, [redacted]
[redacted] Memphis, Tennessee. He furnished the
following information: (u)

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He is employed as [redacted] at the [redacted]
[redacted] He is acquainted with [redacted]
who also resides in [redacted] Mississippi, and is em-
ployed by a company in Memphis that [redacted]

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On
December 7, 1978, [redacted] furnished [redacted] the following
information: (u)

On December 7, 1978, [redacted] was engaged in [redacted]
[redacted] in Memphis, Tennessee. [redacted] displayed a [redacted]
which he indicated [redacted] that con-
tained information indicating [redacted]

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In addition,
[redacted] told [redacted] that [redacted]
who had served as JAMES JONES' secretary [redacted]
documents. [redacted] informed [redacted] that he observed infor-
mation which indicated [redacted]
[redacted] parents who visited their children at
Jonestown or other People's Temple facilities would not be
permitted to have, and if they attempted to do so would be
killed with dynamite. (u)

[redacted] informed [redacted] that on December 7, 1978,
he observed a man racing off distances involving houses in
the vicinity of [redacted] residence and this man described [redacted]
[redacted] (u)

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[redacted] advised he knows nothing about the People's
Temple or its members other than the information he had read
in the newspaper and heard on the news broadcasts. (u)

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He requested that his identity be retained
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DATE 10/24/92 BY 1049 DLM/ldh

1Date of transcription 12/18/78

[redacted] was interviewed at the Shelby County Jail East, 1045 Mullins Station Road, Memphis, Tennessee. He furnished the following information (u)

[redacted] resides somewhere on [redacted] Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee, specific address not known, and is the subscriber to telephone number [redacted]. Telephone number [redacted] is the telephone number of the Shelby County Jail East. He does not know anyone named [redacted] and has no knowledge of the meaning of the letters [redacted].

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(u) [redacted] reported that an individual, name not recalled, who was an inmate at the Federal Correctional Institute (FCI), El Reno, Oklahoma, at the time [redacted] was an inmate there, visited him at Memphis, Tennessee, in 1976, at which time this individual was using the alias.

[redacted] This person, who was not known as [redacted] at FCI, El Reno, associated at the FCI with persons reportedly active in the White Panther Party and the Rainbow People's Party. [redacted] believes this individual was confined following conviction for manufacturing and/or selling automatic weapons. (u)

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[redacted] described him as a white male, 28 to 30 years of age, wavy sandy red hair, and believed to be from San Antonio, Texas, or Portland, Oregon. (u)

[redacted] advised that [redacted] the People's Temple, recently called the Shelby County Jail and asked to speak to him. [redacted] was given the message by jail officials and thereafter called his attorney for advice regarding [redacted] attempt to reach him. [redacted] attorney told him to not return [redacted] call; therefore, [redacted] made no attempt to return the call. (u)

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DATE 10/29/82 BY [signature]

Date of transcription 12/18/78

[redacted]
Memphis, Tennessee, was interviewed at her residence. She furnished the following information (u)

She is currently [redacted]

[redacted] on November 29, 1978. She is acquainted with some of his friends and relatives but does not know anyone named [redacted] or [redacted]

The letters [redacted] do not mean anything to her. She has no knowledge of any connection between [redacted] and the People's Temple (PT) and could furnish no information relating to reports that [redacted] name was found among the effects of JIM JONES. She does not know anyone who is or was a member of the PT and has no knowledge of the organization in addition to recent news broadcasts and written reports. (u)

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[redacted] was interviewed at her residence, [redacted] Memphis, Tennessee. She furnished the following information:

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[redacted] at Springfield, Missouri. They are currently [redacted] have been initiated. She is not acquainted with [redacted] current associates and does not know anyone named [redacted] or [redacted]. The letters [redacted] mean nothing to her. She has no idea how [redacted] name became connected with JIM JONES and the People's Temple (PT). She knows no one who is or was affiliated with the PT and has no personal knowledge of it in addition to the recent news broadcasts she has heard regarding the organization.

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Date of transcription 12/5/78

[redacted] white male, born [redacted]
at Memphis Tennessee, was contacted at his residence
of [redacted] and advised as to the official identi-
ties of the contacting Agents as Special Agents of the
Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) by display of
commission card and badge. [redacted] was advised contact
with him was in response to his having telephoned the
Memphis Office of the FBI earlier this date wherein he
related he had information to furnish to the FBI. (u)

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[redacted] advised he is an associate of [redacted]
who is [redacted] Tennessee
[redacted] at Memphis, Tennessee. He advised he has visited
[redacted] on several occasions in the past and has tele-
phoned him numerous times. He advised he initially planned
to [redacted]

[redacted] stated the purpose of his contact with the
FBI was to make clear he did not want to be attached or
connected in any way to [redacted] who he noted has been
a subject of media publicity in the Memphis area. When
questioned regarding this [redacted] explained he was specifically
referring to [redacted] having been reported in news media
stories as being somehow connected or related to an actual
or proposed burglary of the residence of attorney MARK
LANE. He advised he was not acquainted with LANE to any
degree other than having followed publicity relating to
LANE, the assassination of California Congressman RYAN,
and the People's Temple situation in Guyana. (u)

[redacted] advised he is currently [redacted]
with [redacted] and is [redacted]
[redacted] who he described as a white female, age approxi-
mately 23. He noted his [redacted] "a big
house located across from [redacted]" at Memphis,
Tennessee, and understood she resided in an apartment at
this address. He had no telephone contact information
regarding [redacted]
[redacted] had been with [redacted] and
expressed concern she might be in some type of unspecified
difficulty based on her association with [redacted] He
noted although he and [redacted] he (u)

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[redacted] and does not want to see her in any type of trouble. (u)

[redacted] was questioned regarding any information he might have concerning the assassination of Congressman RYAN, a conspiracy regarding that murder, the Guyanese situation, and involvement with the People's Temple cult. [redacted] specifically denied any information regarding these matters and stated it was his basic concern in contacting the FBI that he not be linked to [redacted] and that [redacted] not be in any type of difficulty. [redacted] stated he was "talking out of concern [redacted]"

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[redacted] also commented he would not like to see [redacted] on the street during the Democratic Convention scheduled for Memphis, Tennessee, the weekend of December 9-11, 1978. When questioned in detail regarding this comment he had no specifics to offer other than he felt [redacted] was a possibly dangerous individual. He noted [redacted] appears to like publicity and considers him a "smart cookie." He advised he had heard comments to the effect [redacted] was quite pleased with himself for being "at the top" insofar as his name was now being attached with importance in the news media and felt [redacted] would seek notoriety and publicity. (u)

[redacted] additionally commented he found it peculiar [redacted] bond had been reduced from \$600 to it's present level of \$300 and thought this was a strange situation. He had no specifics regarding this bond reduction and did not relate it to any matter of FBI jurisdiction or concern. [redacted] speculated [redacted] would attempt to use news media publicity in an attempt to somehow work his way out of jail and had no information of any type to indicate [redacted] or any individual in his circle of associates or friends were in any connected with the People's Temple cult. (u)

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[redacted] advised he is currently employed by [redacted] Memphis, Tennessee, as a [redacted] [redacted] He additionally noted he [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] (u)

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During additional questioning regarding [redacted] association with [redacted] he reported she had made comments to him to the effect "I could tell you some things", indicating she had some type of special information received from [redacted] which she would not divulge to him. He advised he did not know how to assess this type comment since he regarded [redacted] as a braggart and a publicity seeker. He made the comment [redacted] "may be a nut", and wanted to set forth his views and opinions to the FBI. (u)

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[redacted] advised he would furnish any positive information regarding the above matters to the FBI should such information come to his attention. (u)

It is noted [redacted] was present with [redacted] during the major portion of contact with him and had no positive comments to furnish relating to the matter of investigation. (u)

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[redacted] residing at [redacted] Memphis, Tennessee, was telephonically contacted at [redacted] telephone number [redacted] based upon a message left by him in a previous telephonic contact with the Memphis Office of the FBI. (u)

During that contact [redacted] advised he had located a package of "Kool Aid" with a note to the effect "You have 29 days", stuck in his front door. He noted this was in a plastic envelope and he felt it had some undetermined significance relating to the People's Temple cult. During questioning [redacted] had no information as to who might have been responsible regarding that incident and stated the incident did not cause him any special fears or concerns. He advised he was furnishing this information to the FBI for information purpose only. (u)

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[redacted] was instructed to contact the Memphis, Tennessee Police Department regarding this situation and he agreed to do so. It was explained to [redacted] this did not appear to be a matter of FBI jurisdiction. [redacted] stated he would furnish any additional information to the FBI for information purpose. (u)

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by SA [redacted] and [redacted] Date dictated 12/1/78

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[redacted] was interviewed at his residence,
[redacted] Memphis, Tennessee. He furnished
the following information (u)

He is the subscriber to Memphis telephone number
[redacted] This is a private number and he has been the
subscriber for about three months. He has no idea how this
number or the name of [redacted]

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[redacted] became connected with the People's Temple and
was found in the effects of JIM JONES in Guyana. He has
very little association with [redacted] and knows nothing
about the People's Temple other than what he has read and
heard recently. Should any information come to his attention
regarding this matter, he will promptly contact the Federal
Bureau of Investigation, Memphis. (u)

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