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

[redacted] advised of the identities of the interviewing Federal Bureau of Investigation agents and Special Agent [redacted] of the United States Secret Service. (u)

[redacted] his family was connected with the Peoples Temple (PT) [redacted]

[redacted] his family moved to Redwood Valley, California. They stayed there a short time and [redacted]

[redacted] then moved to the PT in San Francisco, California. He stayed there until leaving for Jonestown, Guyana in 1977.

[redacted] to arrive at Jonestown and was followed by [redacted] approximately six months later.

[redacted] was a member of the security force, as well as the basketball team. He stated that since he was on the basketball team, he was in Georgetown practicing for an upcoming tournament at the time of Congressman LEO RYAN's assassination. He recalled the following individuals being in Georgetown that day (u)

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PRESTON WADE  
JIM JONES, JR.  
CALVIN DOUGLAS  
MICHAEL TOUCHETTE  
TIM JONES  
JOHN COBB  
LEE INGRAM  
CHUCK KIRKENDOFF  
AARON HENDRIX  
ANDREA WALKER  
SHARON AMOS

67C [ [REDACTED] he met Congressman RYAN when he (RYAN) first arrived at Georgetown and prior to RYAN's visit to Jonestown. (u)

[REDACTED] on Saturday, November 18, 1978, he received word that something had happened in Jonestown and went to the American Embassy where he was told of the RYAN shooting and the mass suicide. (u)

[REDACTED] he was not aware of any plan to assassinate Congressman RYAN and had not heard of any threats made against him. He was aware that a (u)

suicide drill had been conducted at Jonestown and stated that he had noted a remarkable change in Rev. JIM JONES in the past three or four months. On several occasions, JONES preached that if any of the members' family attacked Jonestown, everybody would commit suicide. JONES was particularly upset about GRACE STONE's return to Jonestown because JOHN STONE was allegedly fathered by Rev. JONES. The following relatives [REDACTED] were at Jonestown and not listed as survivors: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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

Weapons

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[REDACTED] first denied the existence of weapons at Jonestown, but later advised that he had observed two shotguns, a .22 caliber handgun, and saw seven

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or eight rifles. He originally denied that members carried guns for other than hunting, but then admitted that members of the security force, including himself, were armed. (u)

b7C [redacted] no knowledge of caching of large amounts of weapons and was always furnished his weapon by JOE WILSON. He stated "Hut 14" was occupied by JOHNNY JONES and JIMMY JONES, JR. and that guns were sometimes kept there, but were actually stored in the radio room. (u)

b7C Concerning bombs or nuclear devices, [redacted] advised that 55 gallon cans of water and carbon dioxide were mixed and detonated by an electric switch. These were experimented with at the direction of Rev. JONES and were to be utilized in the event outside people or former members came to take their children away. This might also be utilized in the event of a mass suicide. (u)

Threats (u)

Unaware of any threats to harm public officials. However, Rev. JONES preached that if public officials or former members "attacked" his church, the entire membership would commit suicide. (u)

Money (u)

Unaware of any storage of money while at Jonestown. Believed money was used to feed and support PT members. Has read in newspaper recently that large amounts of cash were recovered after the mass suicide. (u)

Contingency Plan (u)

b7c [REDACTED] Rev. JONES preached mass suicide as a means of retaliation against any persons attempting to interfere with the church. This was thought of as retaliation since those dying would be relatives of the attackers. (u)

Murder Threats (u)

Unaware of any plans to kill anybody. (u)

Planning Commission (u)

The Planning Commission consisted of members who were responsible for making purchases and bettering the Jonestown compound. (u)

Security Force (u)

b7c [REDACTED] a member of the security force. His duties included guarding [REDACTED] areas of the Jonestown compound. Members were not permitted to leave without a pass and members who left without permission were hunted by the security force and brought back. These people would then be put before the membership and ridiculed. (u)

[REDACTED] while on guard duty, he carried a shotgun or rifle. During "white nights", he was armed with a handgun and was responsible for controlling the membership. (u)

[REDACTED] the following persons as members of the security force: (u)

TIM TUPPER also known as Tim Jones Day  
(head of security) (u)

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JOHNNY COBB also known as John Jones (scheduling)

JOE WILSON (scheduling)

JIMMY JONES, Jr. (Radio Manager)

BOB KICE

LOU JONES

MARK CORDELL

GARY JOHNSON

BILLY OLIVER

BRUCE OLIVER

DANNY MOTON

CALVIN DOUGLAS

CLEVELAND NEWELL

WESLEY BRIEDENBECK

YVONNE HADEN

BONNIE SIMON

TOM GRUBBS

MARIE RANKIN

ROBERT RANKIN

67c [REDACTED] the term "Angels," but stated it  
could have been a code used on CB radio. (u)

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Basketball Team (u)

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[REDACTED] the following persons as members of the basketball team: (u)

- PRESTON WADE
- WALTER WILLIAMS
- JOHNNY COBB
- CLEVELAND NEWELL
- TIM TUPPER (aka Tim Jones)
- JIMMY JONES
- CALVIN DOUGLAS
- STEVEN JONES
- MARK CORDELL
- KARL BARNETT
- LEE INGRAM (Coach)
- MIKE TOUCHETTE (Coach)

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(u)

Bribery or Influence Peddling (u)

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[REDACTED] any knowledge of bribery or influence peddling by PT members, but recalled that Governor BROWN of California, and Mayor MOSCONE of San Francisco, attended a testimonial for Reverend JONES. He also remembered Lieutenant Governor DIMALLY visiting the PT at Los Angeles.

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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] aware that a practice suicide drill had occurred on one previous occasion at Jonestown. (u)

Criminal Offenses (u)

[REDACTED] GREG WATKINS was allegedly wanted for purse snatching in San Francisco, California. (u)

Radio (u)

[REDACTED] the radios at Jonestown and Georgetown were controlled by certain individuals and that codes were used in transmissions. [REDACTED]

The following persons were identified as radio operators: (u)

HARRIET TROOP

KAREN LAYTON

MARIA KATSARIS

WESLEY BRIEDENBECK

MICHAEL PROKES



Oaths Signed (u)

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[REDACTED] he was once forced to sign a note in which he admitted stealing candy from a store. All members were forced to admit a wrong-doing and sign the admission. [REDACTED] signed blank pages of typing paper when he attended the San Francisco PT. (u)

Relocation Plans (u)

Reverend JONES planned to relocate the Soviet Union if outside people did not leave the PT alone. This was the reason for beginning Russian language classes. (u)

Soviet and Cuban Association (u)

Two Soviet doctors had visited the Jonestown compound approximately seven months ago. (u)

Bodyguards (u)

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[REDACTED] JOE WILSON, JIM JONES, Jr., TIM TUPPER and JOHNNY COBB could have been considered bodyguards for Reverend JONES. They carried weapons on occasion, but not at all times. (u)

Contact with California Officials (u)

Governor BROWN and Mayor MOSCONE attended testimonial for Reverend JONES. Lieutenant Governor DIMALLY visited the Los Angeles PT. (u)

PAULA ADAMS (u)

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[REDACTED] PAULA ADAMS referred to as "JONES' sexual secretary" and had no knowledge of any United States Government officials being compromised. (u)

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[REDACTED] ADAMS dated a Guyanese government official named BUNNY (LNU) (u)

Dr. LAWRENCE EUGENE SCHACHT (u)

[REDACTED] SCHACHT was a medical doctor for the Jonestown compound. He believed SCHACHT attended medical school in Mexico, but did not believe SCHACHT was a certified doctor. (u)

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

Drugs (u)

[REDACTED] drugs were used at Jonestown to attempt to control people. He specifically recalled that BARBARA WALKER and PETER WATERSPOON had been drugged. WATERSPOON had been caught molesting a child and was brought before the membership and assaulted by many members for what he had done. After the meeting, WATERSPOON was drugged. (u)

[REDACTED] he participated in the assault of WATERSPOON because [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] dolls were produced at Jonestown to raise money for the compound and that he had no knowledge of any drug trafficking by the PT. (u)

White Nights (u)

[REDACTED] Reverend JONES called "White Night" and asked the membership if they wanted to commit suicide. These "white nights" lasted for many days and nights. (u)

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Future Plans (u)

██████████ advised that he would first return to San Francisco and then visit ██████████ (u)

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

Name  
Race  
Sex  
Date of Birth  
Place of Birth  
Height  
Weight  
Build  
Hair  
Eyes  
Education

Occupation  
Social Security  
Account Number  
Arrests  
Marital Status  
Living Relatives

Subsequent to the above interview, ██████████ agreed to a polygraph examination which was conducted by SA ██████████ United States Secret Service (u)

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Deception was noted on the following questions: *My*

1. Have you been truthful and complete to the best of your knowledge? *(M)*

2. Have you any knowledge of a hit list? *My*