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[redacted] was interviewed in the presence of Special Agent (SA) [redacted] United States Secret Service (USSS), at the Customs area located in the P. American (San Am) Terminal, John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFKIA), Queens, New York (NY). [redacted] the following information: (u)

[redacted] she joined the Peoples Temple (PT) Church in July of 1977, when she moved to Ukiah, California. She had heard of the Church a year previous.

[redacted] that the profits from running the [redacted] were turned over to the PT Church. [redacted] She and her husband had also voluntarily turned over their personal funds to the PT Church. [redacted] Church members that did not live communal voluntarily turned over 25 percent of their incomes to the PT Church. (u)

[redacted] approximately four years ago she had taken a trip to Guyana to look at the PT property, and that her ambition was to move there. [redacted] her husband [redacted] and [redacted] children have been in Jonestown for over a year.

[redacted] she departed San Francisco on Friday, the 17th of November, and arrived at Georgetown midnight on the 18th of November. The PT Church paid her way down. [redacted] learned that Congressman RYAN had been killed.

[redacted] She stated [redacted] instructed her to go to the Tower Hotel, and [redacted] he could not talk to her. (u)

[redacted] the next morning [redacted] came over with a policeman and told her of the SHARON AMOS killing. She stated they told her that CHUCK BIKEMAN had been arrested for this, however, they believed (u)

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that AMOS had killed herself and her children. [REDACTED] told her to take the first flight back to San Francisco. [REDACTED] she heard of the suicides and was not leaving until she found out about her children. [REDACTED] learned [REDACTED] her children were dead. (u)

[REDACTED] on Saturday, November 25, 1978, she was re-united with her husband [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the "Albatross" was a cargo ship that she believed the PT Church had purchased to carry supplies from San Francisco to Guyana. [REDACTED] she subsequently learned that the "Albatross" was used to make money. The ship carried rice to Trinidad to be sold, and then picked up a cargo and went on to Barbados. [REDACTED] she did not know how or where the "Albatross" was registered.

(u) [REDACTED] TOM ADAMS was a radio operator at the San Francisco Temple, and that she had been allowed to talk over the radio to Georgetown with ADAMS present. [REDACTED] the PT had code names for everyone. [REDACTED] in San Francisco, JEAN BROWN, TERRY BUFFORD, TOM ADAMS, and SANDY BRADSHAW had access to the radio and the codes used. PAULA ADAMS in Georgetown, and MIKE CARTER at Jonestown, had access to the radio and codes. [REDACTED] towards the end, they began using Morse code. [REDACTED] she was not privy to the codes used. (u)

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[REDACTED], prior to going to Jonestown, Reverend JIM JONES had bodyguards called "Apostolic Guardians". [REDACTED] these bodyguards were trained in karate, and that they were Reverend JONES private security, separate from the security unit in San Francisco. [REDACTED] the "Apostolic Guardians" numbered twenty or thirty, and were spread out between Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Redwood Valley. [REDACTED] the regular security unit wore special uniforms consisting of red shirts and black slacks or skirts. [REDACTED] JIM MAC ELVENE (phonetic) was the security chief, and that he went to Guyana on the 16th of November. [REDACTED] she has never heard the term "Angels". (u)

[REDACTED] she suspected that there might be weapons in the San Francisco Temple, however she did not know for sure. [REDACTED] she knew EVA PUGH carried a handgun, because she often took money to the bank. [REDACTED] there were target practice sessions at the ranch, or care center, at Redwood Valley, California. She stated that she knows [REDACTED] JEAN CHAKEN, an attorney probably dead at Jonestown; and JIM MAC ELVENE (phonetic) participated in target practice at the ranch. ANNIE MOORE, CAROLYN LAYTON's sister, who [REDACTED] is dead, may have had firearms. (u)

[REDACTED] she did not know how weapons were sent into Guyana. She stated that, when she was preparing to go to Jonestown, she sent some packages on ahead. ARCHIE IJAMES, who knows a lot about the Church, and DENNIS ALLEN were in charge of packing and crating. [REDACTED] not know if anything was added to her crates or taken out. (u)

[REDACTED] the PT Church had a planning commission (PC), which grew from twenty or thirty members to over 100 members. [REDACTED] stated that the real power in the PT Church was in the Staff, the hierarchy of the PC. [REDACTED] the Staff consisted of the following (u)

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TERRY BUFFORD, [REDACTED] knew the most about the PT Church activities. (u) b7c

CAROLYN LAYTON, who had a child by Reverend JONES, and was in Guyana. (u)

LEONA COLLIER, a black female, 39 - 40, had influence over black members of PT Church. (u)

KAREN LAYTON, who was in Guyana. (u)

MARIA KATSARIS, who was in Guyana. (u)

HARRIET TROPP, believed dead. (u)

PATTY CARTMELL, who was in Guyana. (u)

SHARON AMOS, deceased, who was in Guyana. (u)

JEAN BROWN, who is the San Francisco coordinator. (u)

SANDY BRADSHAW, who would know a lot about PT finances. Wife of LEE INGRAM, but not living together. Former corrections officer. (u)

JIM RANDOLPH, in charge of transporting members from San Francisco to Guyana, and would also have financial knowledge. (u)

TOM ADAMS, radio operator at San Francisco. PAULA ADAMS' ex-husband. As close to Reverend JONES as a male secretary. (u)

MIKE PROKES, who would know a lot about PT activities. (u)

[REDACTED] the normal procedure was to have a general meeting or congregational meeting, and these meetings (u) b7c

were always taped. Following this meeting, there would be a PC meeting. During the PC meeting, Reverend JONES would have us make statements that would incriminate ourselves. [REDACTED] she believed that these statements were to intimidate the members so they would not leave the Church. [REDACTED] at times Reverend JONES would dictate what the members were to write. [REDACTED] everytime a member attended Church, they signed a blank piece of paper, and incriminating statements were later added to this paper. [REDACTED] she she signed a statement that she would assassinate, then President, RICHARD M. NIXON. [REDACTED] they signed statements that they were communists and would overthrow the Government of the US. [REDACTED] some of these statements were worded to indicate that these actions would occur if the PT Church was attacked, or Reverend JONES was killed or arrested. (u)

[REDACTED] often at meetings, members were made to publicly tell bad things about themselves. [REDACTED] believed these to be therapy sessions, however, now she realizes that this made it easier for Reverend JONES to dominate the members. [REDACTED] the length of the meetings also made it easier for Reverend JONES to dominate them, because they were worn down. (u)

[REDACTED] public fighting, sexual mis-conduct, and stealing would prompt public discipline. This discipline was in the form of spankings and the use of boxing gloves on adults. This discipline was conducted in front of the entire congregation. [REDACTED] sexual mis-conduct did not apply to Reverend JONES, because she knew Reverend JONES fornicated with GRACE STOEN. STOEN admitted this at a PC meeting. [REDACTED] they got away from public discipline, and were made to do phampletting. This meant going out on the streets to beg. (u)

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[REDACTED] one PC meeting, approximately two or three years ago, where Reverend JONES served white wine. Reverend JONES then told the members that the wine was poisoned.

[REDACTED] thought this strange because they never drank wine. [REDACTED] ROSE SHELDON gagged and passed out [REDACTED] thought that the wine was really poisoned, or SHELDON was a "plant". She thought that Reverend JONES was testing the members for their breaking point, or to see if anyone was afraid to die. [REDACTED] the wine incident did not seem out of place, because Reverend JONES had often talked of the Ghetto becoming a concentration camp. She stated that, before Reverend JONES would let this happen, we would fight and commit suicide. Reverend JONES showed the members of the PT Church pictures taken at Nazi concentration camps. Reverend JONES stated that what happened to the Jews in Germany, would happen to the blacks in the US. (u)

[REDACTED] some people entering the Church married individuals of the opposite race. These marriages were in name only, and she did not believe the members were forced to do this. Reverend JONES told the members that, unless they married a black person or adopted a black child, they would not have the stigma attached to blacks. (u)

[REDACTED] another PC meeting, at which DALE PARKS asked her to ask a question. [REDACTED] this was the first time she had done this, and she realized that many things were "planted" to get the meetings going. [REDACTED] recalled that the question was an accusation against another member. (u)

[REDACTED] another PC meeting, when there was someone from San Francisco who was de-programing "Moonies". Reverend JONES asked [REDACTED] and attempt to determine where he was and what he was doing. [REDACTED] (u)

she was instructed to act as a parent concerned about her child. she made the telephone calls, which were recorded, but she was unsuccessful in reaching this individual. (u)

Reverend JONES told the members of the PT Church that the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) were persecuting him and the Church. this was a progressive thing, and that she did not recognize it developing. She stated that at first Reverend JONES preached brotherhood and love, and the Church was predominately white.

Reverend JONES had a healing routine. some of this may have been staged, but some of the healing she believes was real. She stated that Reverend JONES claimed his gifts came because he was doing the work of JESUS CHRIST.

he progressed to the point where Reverend JONES claimed to be God. Reverend JONES' paranoia developed when a story appeared in the New West paper, critical of him and the Church; and when TIM STOEN left the Church. she learned after the suicide that they were giving Reverend JONES drugs at Jonestown. (u)

the PC meetings stopped when Reverend JONES went to Guyana, and that they never held a PC meeting without Reverend JONES present. (u)

when Reverend JONES was in San Francisco, he frequently invited politicians to speak at the temple. She stated that the meetings these politicians saw were different from the regular meetings.

PT members were instructed on how to act. They were instructed to respond to the speaker, as the speaker would appreciate the response (i.e. conservative, liberal or radical). Reverend JONES would send the members out in masses to support certain politicians. Mayor MASCOLE was one of these politicians. not know what, if anything. (u)

Reverend JONES received in return for this support. [REDACTED] Reverend JONES solicited a letter from ROSALYN CARTER. [REDACTED] California Lieutenant Governor DI MALLY went to Guyana, and she believes this trip was for public relations. [REDACTED] she knows PAULA ADAMS was having an affair with the Guyanese Ambassador to the United Nations. She thinks this official's name is BUNNY MAN (phonetic) (u)

[REDACTED] the following list of individuals that had left the PT Church: (u)

MIKE CARTMELL, believed to have a great deal of knowledge about PT Church. Son of PATTY CARTMELL of PT Staff. (u)

GRACE STOEN, PT Church head counselor at one time (u)

TIM STOEN, GRACE's husband. PT Church legal counsel. At one time number one man to Reverend JONES. (u)

LIZ FURMAN, believed to reside in the San Francisco area. Originally from Los Angeles. Left Church in summer of 1976. (u)

MYRTLE Family, whereabouts unknown. (u)

JOYCE SHAW, whereabouts unknown. (u)

BEN BOWEN, used to work radio. Left Church one to one and one-half years ago. Present whereabouts unknown. Attempts were made to get him to return, because he had license for radio. (u)

MARVIN SWINNY

HUGH DODSWELL

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(FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) (FNU) PARKS, wife of DENNIS PARKS (u)  
Daughter-in-law of EDITH PARKS. (

RICK CORDELL, brother to HAROLD CORDELL. Believed to  
have a lot of knowledge on PT Church. (u) b7c

[redacted] members of the PT Church, especially  
Reverend JONES, took it as a personal affront when someone left  
the Church. They were considered deserters. [redacted]  
when DENNIS PARKS' wife left the Church, she claimed to have  
received telephone calls threatening her and her children.  
Mrs. PARKS felt these calls were made by PT Church members,  
however, Reverend JONES denied this to JERRY PARKS. JERRY PARKS  
is Mrs. PARKS' brother-in-law. [redacted] she felt that  
Mrs. PARKS claims were true. [redacted] she was asked  
once by KAREN LAYTON to go with her and talk to DENNIS PARKS'  
wife, in an attempt to get her to return to the Church. [redacted]  
[redacted] she feels some people were threatened or bothered a  
lot. She feels that KAREN LAYTON did a lot of this, however,  
she may have taken a different Church member with her each time.  
[redacted] she knew of no specific plans to assassinate  
deserters from the PT Church. (u)

[redacted] she recalled one very unusual  
event. In late September of 1978, TIM CARTER made a surprise  
visit to the US. TERRY BUFFORD and PAULA ADAMS were also in  
the States. [redacted] CARTER told her he had to go to  
Utah to see his father, and then he would stop and see her.  
CARTER's father called [redacted] CARTER's father  
gave [redacted] address in Oakland, California, where TIM CARTER  
might be staying. [redacted]  
[redacted] TERRY BUFFORD told her to tear up the address  
and forget it. [redacted] heard that TIM CARTER had gone back  
to Guyana, and that he had asked his father for suitcases for  
some reason. [redacted] this seemed odd to her, since  
duffel bags were more practical than suitcases. (u)

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[redacted] denied any specific knowledge of "contingency plans" in the event of Reverend JONES' death, or the existence of a "hit list". [redacted] Reverend JONES claimed in the past that, if anything ever happened to him or the PT Church, plans had been made. [redacted] Reverend JONES also made threats to have people "taken care of". [redacted]

[redacted] LARRY LAYTON was crazy enough to be the individual that would do this. JOE WILSON would kill someone, if he was alive. DON SLY professed violence, [redacted] never saw him do anything violent. When asked if she would kill someone if Reverend JONES asked her to and told her it had to be done, [redacted] "I don't know what I would have done". [redacted]

[redacted] "I may have, back at the time I really believed in Reverend JONES". (u)

[redacted] Reverend JONES had mentioned Swiss bank accounts often, however, she did not have any specific knowledge regarding PT Church funds. [redacted] TERRY BUFFORD and MARIA KATSARIS made frequent trips, and they may have taken money in or out. [redacted] TIM STOEN should be a major source of information on PT Church funds. [redacted] she believed the San Francisco office of the PT Church had turned over PT funds and property to the courts. She stated that there seemed to be a lot of suits coming in against the PT Church. (u)

[redacted] she was not aware of how the cyanide got to Jonestown. She stated that the only poison she knew had been shipped to Jonestown was rat poison. [redacted] they had a very bad rat problem at Jonestown. (u)

[redacted] she knew that Congressman RYAN was going to Jonestown with MARK LANE and Mr. GARY. [redacted] SANDY BRADSHAW and JEAN BROWN advised her that they were going to try and keep Congressman RYAN from making the trip. (u)

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[REDACTED] they tried to stop RYAN through LANE and GARY. [REDACTED] PHYLLIS HOUSTON (phonetic) was sent down to Jonestown to be there before RYAN arrived. [REDACTED] thinks this was done to keep the grandparents from getting HOUSTON's children, who were there alone. [REDACTED] denied any knowledge of a plan to assassinate Congressman RYAN. (u)

[REDACTED] denied any knowledge of a suicide pact. (u)

[REDACTED] when she left San Francisco, SANDY BRADSHAW gave her a travel bag that BRADSHAW said contained an adding machine. At the hotel in Georgetown, [REDACTED] opened the bag and discovered an adding machine, financial reports, various papers, reports on people, and a sealed notebook, with tape around it. [REDACTED] she asked PAULA ADAMS what to do with these things, and PAULA told me to use my own judgement. [REDACTED] she understood this to mean flush them down the toilet. Not trusting Guyanese plumbing, [REDACTED] tore up most of the documents. [REDACTED] turned over checks and letters to Mr. ELLIS at the American Embassy. [REDACTED] she turned over some papers to a Guyanese lawyer named HANAMAN (phonetic). [REDACTED] HANAMAN told her to get rid of the stuff, and that he is nervous because he bought a building from the PT Church next to the temple. [REDACTED] he paid for the building in Guyanese money, and apparently that is illegal. (u)

[REDACTED] tape recorders were sent from San Francisco to Guyana for re-sale on the black market. [REDACTED] she thought this was illegal, but they made a lot of money. She stated that hundreds of tape recorders were sent to Guyana. (u)

[REDACTED] she and most of the PT members still in the US were told that everything was fine in Jonestown. She stated that MARCELYN JONES, PAULA ADAMS and TERRY BUFFORD told them everything was fine. [REDACTED] she heard recently (u)

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that the people at Jonestown were learning Russian. [REDACTED] the PT members back in the States did not know that Reverend JONES was insane, and they did not know about the "White Nights" until the end. [REDACTED] she can not understand why someone did not kill Reverend JONES to keep others alive. (u)

[REDACTED] the following information on the below listed individuals: (u)

TIM JONES, black male. (u)

TIM JONES, white male, 21 - 22, also known as TIM TUPPER, has a large family back in the States, adopted son of Reverend JONES. (u)

JIMMY JONES, JR., black male, adopted son of Reverend JONES, never observed violent. (u)

EDDY CRENSHAW, black male, early 20s. (u)

JOHNNY COBB, black male, brother of JIM COBB, who was young black leader before he left Church. (u)

STANLEY GEIG, white male, early 20s, hot tempered, mechanic. (u)

CLIFFORD GEIG, brother of STANLEY, alive on boat "Cudule" (phonetic). (u)

LEE INGRAM, black male, mid-30s, worked with young people, could have propensity for violence. (u)

YVONNE HAYDEN, black female, girlfriend of RONNIE JAMES. (u)

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RONNIE JAMES, black male, early 20s, slender, tall, knows karate, "Apostolic Guardian", at one PC meeting he jumped on DODSWELL's neck, but later the man was all right. /u/

ROBERT RANKIN, black male, 40s, a little crazy /u/

LAURA JOHNSTON, white female, believed to be "screwing" for the temple, however, she messed it up. Should be checked out very carefully. /u/

Mr. GARY, PT prime lawyer for years /u/

MARK LANE, became involved with PT Church a couple of months ago. He went with DON FRIED to see Jonestown. They were going to do a documentary on Jonestown to combat what TIM STOEN was saying /u/

DON FRIED, writer. /u/

Dr. LARRY SCHACHT, had drug problem when he joined PT Church. PT Church sent him to medical school in Mexico. Never finished internship; went to Jonestown because he was needed. /u/

JOYCE PARKS, nurse at Jonestown. /u/

RITA TUPPER, in charge of letter writing. [REDACTED] /u/

HAROLD CORDELL, knows a great deal of PT Church history. Handled finances and real estate, but not believed to be a member of Staff. /u/

HUGH FORTSON, returned to San Francisco to be assistant pastor. /u/

BONNIE BECK, administrator at care center, Redwood Valley, California. Would have more knowledge of what ADAMS and BUFFORD were doing. A real con-artist and schemer. Previously was corrections officer with SANDY BRADSHAW. /u/

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[redacted] denied any knowledge of bodies being buried at the 37 acre ranch in Redwood Valley. [redacted]

[redacted] at one time, holes were dug at the ranch and tapes of PC meetings, previously described above, were burned. [redacted] a lot of papers and documents were also destroyed this way. [redacted] was done about the time the New West Newspaper article mentioned above appeared. (u)

[redacted] she was returning to California, and that she planned to keep in touch with certain PT members, however, she does not plan on living communal. [redacted] TOM ADAMS had told her that the PT Church was disbanded, and that there is no longer a PT organization. [redacted] ADAMS told her that the Church was being sold. (u)

The following description [redacted] obtained through observation and interview: (u)

- Name:
- Race:
- Sex:
- Date of Birth (DOB):
- Place of Birth (POB):
- Height:
- Weight:
- Hair:
- Eyes:
- Scars or Marks:
- Residence:

Occupation:



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Education:  
Husband:  
Social Security  
Account Number (SSAN):  
Passport Number:  
Immediate Contact  
Point:

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Final Destination  
Point:

[REDACTED]

In-Laws:

[REDACTED]