

GROSS MARGARET A  
78 STATE 277716

155

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 STATE 277716

ORIGIN ARA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 H-03 SCS-01 SS-15 NSC-06 AID-01

/037 R

DRAFTED BY ARA/CAR:R MCCOY:KC

APPROVED BY ARA/CAR:A HEWITT

SCS:R BELT (SUBS)

H/ARA:C CUTTER (SUBS)

-----090192 011604Z /44

P 011523Z NOV 78

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN PRIORITY

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE STATE 277716

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CASC, OREP (RYAN, LEO), GY

SUBJECT: CONGRESSMAN RYAN'S VISIT TO GUYANA

REF: (A) STATE 2562273 (B) GEORGETOWN 3125

1. DESK OFFICER MET WITH RYAN STAFFER (MS. JACKIE SPEIER)

AND TWO STAFF MEMBERS (JIM SCOLLEART AND TOM SMEETAN) OF

HOUSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE (HIRC) ON OCTOBER

25 TO DISCUSS PROPOSED VISIT. SPEIERS INDICATED THAT

CONGRESSMEN RYAN (D-CALIF.) AND DERWINSKI (R-ILL)

ACCOMPANIED BY APPROXIMATELY SIX STAFF MEMBERS HAVE

TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED VISIT TO GUYANA NOVEMBER 14-18.

2. MCCOY RAISED AGAIN SEVERAL POTENTIAL PROBLEMS THAT

MUST BE CONSIDERED BEFORE ARRIVAL OF GROUP INCLUDING

LOGISTICS AND AGREEMENT OF PEOPLE'S TEMPLE TO VISIT.

WHILE SPEIERS INDICATED ON OCT. 25 THAT RYAN INTENDED

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 -- STATE 277716

TO NOTIFY PEOPLE'S TEMPLE OF HIS VISIT SHE ALSO MENTIONED

ON OCT. 30 THAT RYAN WAS PLANNING TO REQUEST THAT ORGANIZA-

TION MAKE ABOUT 29 MEMBERS OF THE TEMPLE INCLUDING

JOHN STOEN, MARIA KATSARIS ETC AVAILABLE TO CODEL IN

GEORGETOWN FOR PERSONAL PRIVATE MEETINGS. MCCOY RESPONDED

THAT HE BELIEVED TEMPLE WOULD VIEW REQUEST WITH SUSPICION

AND AS IN THE PAST CODEL WOULD BE INFORMED BY TEMPLE

REPRESENTATIVES THAT THE INDIVIDUALS REQUESTED IN

TELEGRAM DECLINED TO TRAVEL TO GEORGETOWN. MCCOY

CONTINUED THAT SUCH A REQUEST WOULD CAST PALL ON VISIT

ESPECIALLY TO TOWNSITE. SPEIERS AGREED AND INDICATED

SHE WOULD DISCUSS THIS FURTHER WITH RYAN. SPEIERS ALSO

MENTIONED THAT RYAN WOULD BE SENDING PERSONAL TELEGRAM

TO AMBASSADOR CONCERNING VISIT.

3. FYI EMBASSY SHOULD BE AWARE THAT 18 PRIVATE CITIZENS

INCLUDING TIMOTHY AND GRACE STOEN, AND MS. KATSARIS HAVE

BEEN REQUESTING RYAN TO EITHER INCLUDE THEM IN PARTY

OR HAVE EMBASSY ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION AND GUARANTEE

ACCESS TO AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITY. MCCOY INFORMED SPEIERS

THAT HE BELIEVED TEMPLE WOULD NOT AGREE TO ANY VISIT THAT

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE /

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

GROSS MARGARET A  
78 STATE 277716

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

INCLUDED MEMBERS OF THE CONCERNED RELATIVES INC. HE  
ADDED THAT IT WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE EMBASSY  
TO ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION OR REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM GOG  
FOR PRIVATE CITIZENS. MCCOY CONTINUED THAT EMBASSY WOULD  
BE PLEASED TO ASSIST PRIVATE GROUP WITH INFORMATION  
AND ADVICE ABOUT AREA, AND AVAILABILITY OF COMMERCIAL  
OR CHARTER TRANSPORTATION, BUT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES  
WOULD THE EMBASSY TRY TO FORCE THE TEMPLE TO RECEIVE THEM.  
SPEIERS STATED THAT RYAN WOULD NOT BE INCLUDING ANY  
PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS IN HIS DELEGATION AND THAT SHE  
UNDERSTOOD EMBASSY'S LIMITATIONS IN ASSISTING PRIVATE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 STATE 277716

VISITS.

4. DERWINSKI IS ACCOMPANYING RYAN TO GUYANA AND THEN  
MAY VISIT SURINAME AS PART OF HIS DUTIES ON HIRC.  
POST WILL BE RECEIVING OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION OF VISIT  
THROUGH REGULAR CHANNELS. VANCE  
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0