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TAGS: CASC, OREP (RYAN LEO) GY

SUBJECT: CODEL RYAN

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1. ARA/CAR WAS INFORMED AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER 1 THAT CONGRESSMAN DERWINSKI IS NOT REPEAT NOT PLANNING TO ACCOMPANY RYAN ON PROPOSED VISIT TO GUYANA.
2. FOLLOWING FOR EMBASSY INFORMATION IS TEXT OF TELEGRAM RYAN SENT TO PEOPLE'S TEMPLE INFORMING ORGANIZATION OF PROPOSED VISIT:

BEGIN TEXT

IN RECENT MONTHS MY OFFICE HAS BEEN VISITED BY CONSTI-
TUENTS WHO ARE RELATIVES OF MEMBERS OF YOUR CHURCH
AND WHO EXPRESSED ANXIETY ABOUT MOTHERS AND FATHERS,
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SONS AND DAUGHTERS, BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO HAVE
ELECTED TO ASSIST YOU IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUR
CHURCH IN GUYANA.

I AVE LISTENED TO OTHERS WHO HAVE TOLD ME THAT SUCH
CONCERNS ARE EXAGGERATED. THEY HAVE BEEN SUPPORTIVE
OF YOUR CHURCH AND YOUR WORK. YOUR EFFORT, INVOLVING
SO MANY AMERICANS FROM A SINGLE U.S. GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION
IS UNIQUE. IN AN EFFORT TO BE RESPONSIVE TO THESE
CONSTITUENTS WITH DIFFERING PERSPECTIVES AND TO LEARN
MORE ABOUT YOUR CHURCH AND ITS WORK, I INTEND TO
VISIT GUYANA AND TALK WITH APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT
OFFICIALS. I DO SO AS A PART OF MY ASSIGNED RESPONSI-
BILITITES AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. CONGRESSMAN ED DERWINSKI
(R-ILL), ALSO A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE AND STAFF
MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WILL BE ACCOMPANYING ME.
WHILE WE ARE IN GUYANA, I HAVE ASKED OUR AMBASSADOR,
JOHN BURKE, TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRANSPORTATION
TO VISIT YOUR CHURCH AND AGRICULTURAL STATION AT
JONESTOWN. IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT I AM MOST
INTERESTED IN A VISIT TO JONESTOWN, AND WOULD

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APPRECIATE WHATEVER COURTESIES YOU CAN EXTEND TO OUR
CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION.

PLEASE CONSIDER THIS LETTER TO BE AN OPEN AND HONEST
REQUEST TO YOU FOR INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR WORK WHICH
HAS BEEN THE CENTER OF YOUR LIFE AND PURPOSE FOR SO
MANY YEARS. IN THE INTEREST OF SIMPLIFYING COMMUNI-
CATIONS, IT WILL ONLY BE NECESSARY FOR YOU TO RESPOND
TO AMBASSADOR JOHN R. BURKE AT THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
IN GEORGETOWN. SINCE THE DETAILS OF OUR TRIP ARE

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STILL BEING ARRANGED, I AM SURE THE AMBASSADOR AND HIS
STAFF WILL BE ABLE TO KEEP YOU INFORMED.

I LOOK FORWARD TO TALKING WITH YOU EITHER IN JONESTOWN
OR GEORGETOWN.

SINCERELY YOURS,

LEO J. RYAN

MEMBER OF CONGRESS

END TEXT. VANCE

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