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E.O. 11652: NA
TAGS: CDES GY (AMOS, LINDA SHARON), (HARRIS, LIANE)
SUBJ: MURDER/SUICIDE AT PEOPLES TEMPLE GEORGETOWN RESIDENCE.

REF: GEORGETOWN 3776

1. THE GUYANA POLICE HAVE REPORTED TO THE EMBASSY THAT A MEMBER OF THE PEOPLES TEMPLE RESIDING AT THEIR GEORGETOWN OFFICE RESIDENCE KILLED HER THREE CHILDREN AND THEN COMMITTED SUICIDE DURING THE EARLY EVENING HOURS NOVEMBER 18. (REFTEL)

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