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TAGS: CASC, OREP (RYAN, LEO) GY

SUBJ: PEOPLES TEMPLE: DISPOSITION OF REMAINS.

REF: A. STATE 294528 B. GEORGETOWN 3826

1. MINISTER MAMILTON GREEN, CHAIRMAN OF THE GOG CABINET LEVEL COMMITTEE DESIGNATED TO ASSIST ON THE JONESTOWN TRAGEDY, BROKE OUT OF CABINET MEETING AT 2:30 P.M. LOCAL TIME TO MEET WITH AME AND ACTING DCM TO DISCUSS VARIOUS ISSUES RELATED TO THE JONESTOWN EFFORT.

2. AME REVIEWED WITH HIM POINTS 1.A THROUGH 1.E OF REFERENCE A, AND ASKED WHETHER GUYANESE GOVERNMENT WOULD AGREE TO INTERMENT OF THE BODIES AT JONESTOWN IN GRAVES LOCATED ON THAT PROPERTY. MINISTER GREEN, WHO WAS GOING BACK INTO CABINET AFTER OUR MEETING, SAID THAT HE WOULD REFER THE MATTER TO THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE REST OF HIS COLLEAGUES AND PROVIDE AN ANSWER AS SOON AS THE CABINET MEETING IS OVER, SOMETIME LATER THIS AFTERNOON TOWARD 6 P. M. GREEN DID ASK SEVERAL QUESTIONS AND WHILE AME AND ADCM WERE WITH HIM HE SUMMONED HIS PUBLIC

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HEALTH ADVISER TO OBTAIN HIS ADVICE ON THE PROPOSAL.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER, CLAUDE MERRIMAN, WHO HAS BEEN A SENIOR ADVISER TO THE GOG ON A WIDE VARIETY OF ISSUES OVER THE YEARS, OPINED THAT THE INTERMENT WOULD BE POSSIBLE AND IN HIS ESTIMATION BURIAL OF ALL THE REMAINS COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED IN TWO DAYS USING MECHANICAL DIGGING EQUIPMENT.

3. IN THE EXPECTATION THAT THE CABINET DECISION WILL BE FAVORABLE MINISTER GREEN IS SCHEDULING A TRIP TO JONESTOWN AT 0700 NOVEMBER 22.

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