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FOR AMBASSADOR BURKE

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TAGS. SOPN, GY (RESTON, JAMES JR.)
SUBJECT: VISIT OF JAMES RESTON, JR.

DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY TOM RESTON WISHES TO
INFORM AMBASSADOR BURKE THAT HIS BROTHER, JAMES RESTON,
R., WILL BE ARRIVING GEORGETOWN ON SATURDAY, 11/25,
IN ORDER TO BEGIN RESEARCH FOR A BOOK ON PEOPLES TEMPLE
COMMUNITY (PTC) AND THE INCIDENTS OF PAST WEEK.

DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY RESTON WOULD PERSONALLY
APPRECIATE ANY ASSISTANCE WHICH AMBASSADOR, TOM DWYER,
AND CONSULAR STAFF OF AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN COULD RENDER
TO JAMES RESTON, JR. RESTON HAS BEEN COMMISSIONED BY
TIMES BOOKS TO WRITE A BOOK ON PTC, ITS ORIGINS, AND ITS
GUYANESE DENOUEMENT. RESTON IS THE AUTHOR OF FIVE PRE-
VIOUS BOOKS, AND DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY RESTON
BELIEVES AMBASSADOR AND STAFF WILL FIND JAMES RESTON, JR.
TO BE UNBIASED, THOUGHTFUL, SENSITIVE AND OBJECTIVE.

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WHILE DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY RESTON UNDERSTANDS
THE TRAINED RESOURCES OF AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN IN THESE TRYING
DAYS, HE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY EXTRA EFFORT WHICH
AMBASSADOR BURKE AND HIS STAFF COULD MAKE IN THIS REGARD.
RESTON EXTENDS HIS WARM PERSONAL REGARDS TO AMBASSADOR
BURKE DURING WHAT MUST HAVE BEEN AND WHAT MUST CONTINUE
TO BE A GHASTLY EXPERIENCE. CHRISTOPHER

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