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THERE ARE CLOSE TO 900 DEAD FROM THE JONESTOWN CALAMITY,
ACCORDING TO THE LATEST COUNT. EMBASSY GEORGETOWN REPORTED
AT 1100 EST THAT IN ADDITION TO THE 425 BODIES THAT HAVE
ALREADY BEEN TAKEN FROM THE SETTLEMENT, AND ANOTHER 20 THAT
HAD BEEN PREPARED FOR SHIPMENT, THERE REMAINED AT LEAST
270 OTHER BODIES. ALL BODIES STILL IN GUYANA WILL BE
BROUGHT TO DOVER AFB. TWO C-141'S DEPARTED FROM GEORGE-
TOWN TODAY WITH A TOTAL OF 152 BODIES. THEY ARE DUE TO
ARRIVE IN DOVER AT 1930 AND 2050 EST. THIS WILL BRING THE
TOTAL NUMBER OF BODIES AT DOVER TO 422.
THE SEARCH FOR MEMBERS OF THE SETTLEMENT WHO MIGHT HAVE
FLED CONTINUES, ALTHOUGH WE NOW ESTIMATE THAT THE POSSIBLE
NUMBER IS QUITE SMALL, PERHAPS NONE. SINCE TUESDAY THE
GUYANESE DEFENSE FORCE HAS BEEN USING A BATTALION-SIZE
FORCE (300 TO 400 MEN) TO CONDUCT GROUND SEARCHES ALONG
JUNGLE TRAILS IN THE REGION. ALL TRAILS OUT OF JONESTOWN
HAVE BEEN SEARCHED AND THE INHABITANTS ALONG THEM HAVE
BEEN QUESTIONED. US AIRCRAFT HAVE BEEN SINCE TUESDAY

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RECONNOITERING THE AREA SURROUNDING JONESTOWN. USING FULL
HORNS TO CALL ANY PEOPLE'S TEMPLE MEMBERS WHO MIGHT BE IN
THE AREA. TODAY TWO US OFFICERS RECONNOITERED THE TRAILS
LEADING TO VENEZUELA BY HELICOPTER AND ANOTHER OFFICER
LED A PATROL THROUGH THE JUNGLE ON A ROUTE HEARING 325
MILES FROM JONESTOWN. THIS FOLLOWING THE DISCOVERED
ESCAPE PLAN OF THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE.

THE GUYANESE GOVERNMENT INFORMED EMBASSY GEORGETOWN THAT
IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR THE PT MEMBERS IN GEORGETOWN
TO RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES FOR AT LEAST ANOTHER 48
HOURS. WE STILL AWAIT THE GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE TO OUR
REQUEST THAT THEY REVERSE THEIR DECISION NOT TO ALLOW AN

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WENT TEAM INTO THE COUNTRY.

DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER PTOLONY REID MADE A BRIEF, FACTUAL
STATEMENT TO PARLIAMENT TODAY ON THE MURDER OF CONGRESS-
MAN RYAN AND THE JONESTOWN OCCURANCE. SHORTLY BEFORE HE
SPOKE, OUR EMBASSY ADVISED HIM OF THE LATEST COUNT.

REID EXPLAINED THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAD DECIDED TO LEASE
THE TRACT TO THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE BECAUSE OF THE GROUP'S
APPARENT INTEREST IN AGRICULTURE AND SOCIAL SERVICE.

REID ALSO SAID THAT CHARGES OF MURDER WOULD BE BROUGHT
AGAINST THE PRIME SUSPECT IN THE DEATH OF SHARON AMOS AND
HER CHILDREN, ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT IDENTIFY THIS INDIVIDUAL.
PARLIAMENT WILL DEBATE THE JONESTOWN OCCURANCE AT A LATER

DATE. CHRISTOPHER

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