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 AS OF 0900 (EST), THE CURRENT COUNT, ACCORDING TO THE
 JOINT TASK FORCE COMMANDER, IS 794 BODIES, ALTHOUGH MORE
 MAY STILL BE FOUND IN JONESTOWN. AMBASSADOR BURKE AND
 THE COMMANDER WILL EVALUATE THE NEED FOR US MILITARY PER-
 SONNEL TO REMAIN AT THE JONESTOWN AREA AND WILL INFORM THE
 DEPARTMENT OF THEIR DECISION.

ONE C-141 WITH 110 BODIES WILL ARRIVE AT DOVER AT
 130 (EST) TODAY, BRINGING THE TOTAL BODIES RETURNED TO
 32. A SECOND FLIGHT IS DUE TO DEPART GEORGETOWN AT 1000
 (EST). WHILE THERE IS A BOTTLENECK AS REGARDS TRANSFER
 CASES, ADDITIONAL CASES ARE EN ROUTE AND IT MAY BE POS-
 SIBLE TO REMOVE ALL BODIES FROM GUYANA BY TONIGHT. ALL
 COULD BE OUT BY TOMORROW.

THERE IS STILL NO WORD ON WHEN THE GUYANESE GOVERNMENT
 WILL PERMIT THE DEPARTURE OF THE SURVIVING MEMBERS OF
 THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE. GEORGETOWN RADIO ANNOUNCED THAT
 CHARLES BIKMAN HAD BEEN FORMALLY CHARGED WITH THE MURDER

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(IN GEORGETOWN) OF SHARON AMOS AND HER CHILDREN. TOGETHER WITH LARRY LAYTON, THIS MAKES TWO PEOPLE'S TEMPLE MEMBERS AGAINST WHOM CHARGES HAVE BEEN BROUGHT. THREE OTHERS ARE DETAINED AND UNDER INVESTIGATION FOR ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF FIREARMS.

4. A SMALL CEMETERY CONTAINING FIVE GRAVES WAS LOCATED AT JONESTOWN. FIVE DEATHS HAD BEEN REPORTED TO EMBASSY CONSULAR OFFICERS EARLIER. TAGS INITIALLY PUT ON BODIES BY LOCAL OFFICIALS WERE PREPARED WITH WATER SOLUBLE INK. WHICH HAS SINCE BECOME UNREADABLE WITH THE RAIN.

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MANY BODIES PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED WILL HAVE TO BE IDENTIFIED AGAIN. A FINAL COUNT REVEALED 947 BODIES IN TO PAY FOR THESE ITEMS. DOD LAWYERS HAVE QUESTIONED THE LEGAL AUTHORITY FOR PROVIDING EQUIPMENT TO THE GUYANESE POLICE. WE WILL BE LOOKING INTO THE MATTER TODAY. CHRISTOPHER

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