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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE PEOPLES TEMPLE

1. NEW SECRETARY CALIFANO CONTACTED DEPUTY SECRETARY CONCERNING LETTER HE IS ALLEGED TO HAVE WRITTEN IN PRAISE OF THE PEOPLES TEMPLE. A THOROUGH SEARCH OF THE SECRETARY'S FILES HAS FAILED TO REVEAL ANY SUCH LETTER. DEPARTMENT HAS COPY OF COMPENDIUM PREPARED BY PEOPLES TEMPLE, "STATEMENTS ABOUT REV. JIM JONES AND THE PEOPLES TEMPLE."

WHICH CONTAINS A STATEMENT ATTRIBUTED TO CALIFANO.

2. ACTION REQUESTED. EMBASSY SHOULD DETERMINE WHETHER PEOPLES TEMPLE MADE AVAILABLE TO COG ACTUAL LETTERS FROM SECRETARY CALIFANO AND OTHER PROMINENT AMERICANS OR MERELY THE COMPENDIUM. IF LETTERS MADE AVAILABLE, EMBASSY SHOULD SEEK TO OBTAIN COPIES OF ALLEGED CALIFANO LETTER AND OTHERS

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FROM COG. RESULTS OF INQUIRY SHOULD BE FORWARDED ASAP.

3. IF THE EMBASSY COMES ACROSS COPIES OF LAUDATORY LETTERS FROM PROMINENT AMERICANS IN TEMPLE PAPERS, COPIES SHOULD BE MADE AND POUCHED TO ARA/CAR.

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