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FM AMEMBASSY GEORGETOWN
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5459
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SUBJ: CONOFF'S INQUIRY INTO JONESTOWN MASS
REF: STATE 313641

1. CONOFF'S INQUIRY INTO THE JONESTOWN DEATHS OF
"BARRY JONES, ET AL" BEGAN YESTERDAY (DEC 12)
BEFORE MAGISTRATE HARGON SACCFUS AND FIVE JUDGES
IS BEING CONDUCTED BY EMMANUEL RAMAO, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
PROSECUTIONS.

2. THREE WITNESSES GAVE TESTIMONY AT THE HEARING. ASSISTANT
COMMISSIONER OF POLICE CECIL "SKIP" ROBERTS RECOUNTED HOW HE
AND HIS MEN DISCOVERED PASSPORTS, TAPES, PERSONAL LETTERS, CASH,
ETC. AT JONESTOWN ON NOV 28. ROBERTS TENDERED TO THE COURT
THIS LIST OF IDENTIFIED DEAD PROVIDED TO DATE BY DOVER AFB AND
PASSED ON TO THE GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA (GOG) BY THE EMBASSY.
DR. CYRIL MOOTOC, JOB PATHOLOGIST, TESTIFIED THAT BEGINNING
ON NOV 28 HE CONDUCTED TOXICOLOGICAL STUDIES WITHOUT VIVE-
SECTION ON THIRTY-NINE BODIES IDENTIFIED BY ODELL RHODES,
AND ON TWENTY-FIVE BODIES, CHOSEN AT RANDOM, FROM THOSE THAT
HAD NOT BEEN IDENTIFIED. RESULTS SHOWED THAT ALL
SIXTY-FOUR HAD DIED OF "ACUTE CYANIDE POISONING." ACCORDING
TO THE TESTIMONY OF BOTH ROBERTS AND MOOTOC, THEY SAW ONLY

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TWO BODIES AT JONESTOWN WITH EVIDENCE OF "EXTERNAL WOUNDS."
THOSE OF REV. JIM JONES AND ANN ELIZABETH MOORE. MOOTOC STATED
THAT ON THE BASIS OF HIS EXAMINATION, WHICH INCLUDED A POST-
MORTEM VIVISECTION, JONES DIED AS THE RESULT OF A HEAD WOUND
CAUSED BY THE "NEAR DISCHARGE" OF A .38 CALIBER HANDGUN. THE
WOUND, HE CONTINUED, WAS LOCATED IN ONE OF THE "SUICIDE AREAS"
FOR A RIGHT-HANDED PERSON. HOWEVER, MOOTOC SAID HE COULD NOT
TELL FROM HIS EXAMINATION WHETHER THE WOUND WAS SELF-INFLICTED.
MOOTOC ADDED THAT THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE OF POISON IN JONES'
BODY. MOOTOC TESTIFIED THAT ON THE BASIS OF HIS EXAMINATION,
WHICH INCLUDED A PARTIAL VIVISECTION, ANNIE MOORE WAS MURDERED
BY MEANS OF A HIGH VELOCITY RIFLE. AS IN THE CASE OF REV.
JONES, THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE OF POISON IN MOORE'S BODY. THE
THIRD WITNESS, A POLICE PHOTOGRAPHER, TESTIFIED CONCERNING
SIGHTS HE TOOK OF JONESTOWN ON NOV 22.

3. RAMAO TOLD CONOFF ON DEC 12 THAT TESTIMONY OF CONOFF

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(SENTEE) WILL NOT BE NEEDED AT THE INQUEST.
A. HEARING IS SCHEDULED TO RESUME TODAY (DEC 14). NOTE
MAYAO SACCHIS HOPE TO END THE INQUEST TODAY.

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NOTE BY OC/T: REFERENCE APPEARS TO BE INCORRECT.
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