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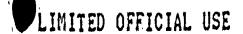
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FOLLOWING IS TEXT SWISS ORDER BLOCKING ACCOUNTS: QTE: THE US ATTORNEY IN SAN FRANCISCO HAS EXTENDED THE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION OF THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE SECT (JONES), OPENED TO INVESTIGATE THE MURDER OF A US CONGRESSMAN, TO EMBEZZLEMENT OF ASSETS OF THE SECT, AND FRAUD TO THE DETRI-MENT OF SECT MEMBERS AND THIRD PARTIES. "IT IS FEARED THAT A CERTAIN THERESA BUFFORD (MANAGER OF (LAWYER) WILL TURN ASSETS OF THE SECT) AND ONE UP IN ZURICH AND WILL ATTEMPT TO WITHDRAW ALL ASSETS FROM ACCONTS NUMBERED 220-00-042, 220.117.60J, CC 121-00, 135-A AND THE SAFE DEPOSIT BOX 14665/HUK. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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"A FORML REQUEST FOR LEGAL ASSISTANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TREATY BETWEEN THE COUNTRIES IS EXPECTED.

"ACCORDING TO ARTICLE 8, PARA 3 OF THE IMPLEMENTING LAW TO THE LEGAL ASSISTANCE TREATY, THE CENTRAL AUTHORITY CAN ORDER PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TO MAINTAIN THE EXISTING STATUS IF THERE ARE SUFFICIENT REASONS.

"ON THIS BASIS THE CENTRAL AUTHORITY FOR LEGAL ASSISTANCE WITH THE US, POLICE DIVISION OF THE SWISS MINISTRY OF JUSTICE AND POLICE, ORDERS:

"A. THE ABOVE-NAMES ACCOUNTS AND THE NAMED SAFE
DEPOSIT BOX WILL BE BLOCKEDUNTIL THE ARRIVAL OF A FORMAL
REQUEST FOR LEGAL ASSISTANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LEGAL
ASSISTANCE TREATY.

UNTIL JAN 15, 1979; OF THE FORMAL REQUEST HAS NOT ARRIVED BY THEN, IT WILL BE CANCELLED.

- ". C. OBJECTION TO THIS DECREE CAN BE RAISED WITHIN

 TEN DAYS WITH THE POLICE DIVISION, OF THE SWISS MINISTRY

 OF JUSTICE AND POLICE. THE OBJECTION WILL HAVE NO EFFECT

 OF POSTPONEMENT. UNQTE
- 2. CONTRARY TO EARLIER REPORTS, WE HAVE LEARNED FROM SWISS AUTHORITIES THAT UBS ACCOUNTS WERE NOT ENTIRELY EMPTY. WE WERE GIVEN THE IMPRESSION THAT SOMETHING LESS THAN \$1 MILLION REMAINS IN THE ACCOUNTS.

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