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Date 12/19/78

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (89-4286)
 FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (89-141) (P)
 SUBJECT: RYMUR

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 DATE 11/2/92 BY 1048 DCA/MLA

Re Pittsburgh airtel to the Bureau and Springfield dated 12/4/78. (u)

Enclosed for San Francisco are six copies of an FD-302 of [redacted] on 12/15/78, at East Alton, Illinois, by SAs [redacted] and [redacted]. Also enclosed for San Francisco are two cassette tapes made by [redacted] of broadcasts from Guyana during March, 1978. (u)

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of [redacted] FD-302. (u)

Enclosed for Pittsburgh, for information, is one copy of the FD-302. (u)

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ENCLOSURE

- 2 - Bureau (89-4286) (Encls. 2)
- 2 - San Francisco (Encls. 8) (89-250)
- 1 - Pittsburgh (Encl. 1) (89-141)
- 2 - Springfield (89-141)

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Handwritten initials/signature

[Redacted box]

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

December 19, 1978

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DATE 11/2/92 BY 1048 DCM/jdm

[redacted] East Alton, Illinois, was contacted at his residence and provided the following information (u)

[redacted] advised that during the Spring months of 1978, he and other ham radio operators in his radio club began listening to broadcasts from Guyana. [redacted] stated that he made a couple cassette tapes of the broadcasts which were made during March, 1978. He advised that he began taping the broadcast because he felt there was something "suspicious" about their broadcasts. Specifically, [redacted] stated that the broadcasts from Mission Town, Guyana, were supposed to be from missionaries. However, [redacted] stated that when the people in Guyana made contact with certain people in California, they appeared to be talking in coded messages. (u)

[redacted] stated that many of the ham radio operators who were in contact with the Peoples' Temple were members of MARCO (Medical Amateur Radio Council). [redacted] stated that the broadcasters from Guyana would describe certain illnesses or problems that some of the people had and that the doctors in the United States would then call back and give the missionary group medical advise. [redacted] stated that he thought all of this was very legitimate, but when the broadcasters from Guyana would be making contact with certain individuals in California they appeared to be talking in "gibberish". (u)

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[redacted] stated that the mission town (Jonestown) broadcast on license number WB6MID/8R3 and that their Georgetown Station broadcast on license number WB5NH/8R1. [redacted] stated that another individual he knows, [redacted] St. Charles, Missouri, [redacted] was also listening in certain Peoples' Temple broadcasts on his ham radio. (u)

[redacted] stated that a representative of MARCO (u)

Interviewed 12/15/78 East Alton, Illinois File # 89-141

by SA [redacted] & SA [redacted] JTM/bbs Date dictated 12/15/78

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Doctor (Dr.) WALT last name unknown (LNU), went to Guyana in early summer of 1978. [] stated that when that doctor returned to the United States, he confirmed that JIM JONES was the leader of the colony and that after Dr. WALT (LNU) returned, MARCO shied away from the Peoples' Temple. (u)

[] advised the above was all the information he had concerning the Peoples' Temple and JIM JONES with the exception of the identity of people operating the radio. [] stated that last Spring there was a female operator in Mission Village named SARAH. [] also stated that there was an individual named BOB who was the operator of the Gerogetown broadcasting station. [] stated that at one time this individual named BOB stated that he had lived in Palm Springs. [] also stated that he believes an operator named AL was JIM JONES. (u)

[] voluntarily provided the interviewing Agents with copies of the two tape cassettes he had made in March of 1978. (u)

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