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TO DIRECTOR (89-4286)

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MEXICO CITY (89-25) ROUTINE

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RYMUR, OO: SAN FRANCISCO.

RE MEXICO CITY CABLE, DECEMBER 21, 1978 (u)

FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SUMMARY OF INFORMATION RECEIVED IN
STATE DEPARTMENT CHANNELS REGARDING ACCOUNTS IN PANAMA WHICH MAY
NOT HAVE BEEN FORWARDED TO SAN FRANCISCO:

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CABLE NUMBER 4326, MARKED "LIMITED OFFICIAL USE," FROM
AMERICAN EMBASSY, GEORGETOWN, DATED DECEMBER 18, 1978, REPORTED
LETTERS INTRODUCED AS EVIDENCE ON DECEMBER 17, 1978, AT CORONER'S
INQUEST.

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THREE LETTERS DATED NOVEMBER 18, 1978, WERE SIGNED BY

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[redacted] AND REPRESENTED AN ATTEMPT TO BEQUEATH ASSETS TO THE
COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE SOVIET UNION. ACCORDING TO THE LETTERS,
THERE IS AN ACCOUNT NUMBER [redacted] AT THE UNION BANK OF

SWITZERLAND (UBS), P. O. BOX 6792, PANAMA 5, PANAMA, WHICH CONTAINS

TOTAL OF [redacted] IN TIME DEPOSITS; THERE IS ALSO

ACCOUNT NUMBER [redacted] AT THE SWISS BANK CORPORATION (SBC), P. O. BOX
3370, PANAMA 4, PANAMA, WHICH CONTAINS ASSETS TOTALING [redacted]

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Attachment: Michel Abbell

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Info on pgs 1, 2, and para 1 on pg 3 declass per OGA letter stating #F25 Date [redacted]

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A FOURTH LETTER, ALSO DATED NOVEMBER 18, 1978, SIGNED BY MARIA KATSARIS, LEAVES ALL HER MONEY IN THE BANCO UNION DE VENEZUELA, CARACAS, TO THE COMMUNIST PARTY SOVIET UNION.

CABLE NUMBER 9219, MARKED "LIMITED OFFICIAL USE," DATED DECEMBER 18, 1978, FROM AMERICAN EMBASSY, PANAMA, REPORTED EMBASSY OFFICERS HAD SEEN OFFICERS OF PANAMA SUBSIDIARIES OF THE UBS AND SBC. BOTH BANKS' OFFICERS STATED THAT THEY HAD BLOCKED THE ACCOUNTS WHEN THEY LEARNED OF DEVELOPMENTS IN GUYANA. SBC OFFICER ALSO VOLUNTEERED THAT HIS BANK (A) HAD BLOCKED ALL GUYANESE ACCOUNTS AND (B) HAD RECEIVED SEVERAL REQUESTS TO MAKE PAYMENTS ON THE ACCOUNTS, INCLUDING REQUESTS FROM CALIFORNIA SOURCES. SBC NOTED THAT EVIDENCE OF DEATH WOULD REINFORCE THEIR BLOCKING OF THE ACCOUNT. (DOCUMENTATION IS BEING PROVIDED EMBASSY, PANAMA, BY U. S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE.)

CABLE NUMBER 9285, MARKED "LIMITED OFFICIAL USE," DATED DECEMBER 20, 1978, FROM AMERICAN EMBASSY, PANAMA, REPORTED THAT PANAMANIAN BANKING COMMISSION LAMENTED ABSENCE OF TREATY ARRANGEMENT, WHERE UNDER GOVERNMENT OF PANAMA COULD PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO U. S. GOVERNMENT; THEY REQUESTED COPY OF U.S.-SWISS TREATY ON MUTUAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS.

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CABLE NUMBER 9286, MARKED "LIMITED OFFICIAL USE," DATED
DECEMBER 20, 1978, FROM AMERICAN EMBASSY, PANAMA, REPORTED SBC
OFFICER STATED BANK "CANNOT OFFICIALLY CONFIRM ANYTHING" AND CANNOT
ACCEPT INSTRUCTIONS FROM ANY PARTY NOT NAMED IN THE ACCOUNT.

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IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE BUREAU AND SAN FRANCISCO ADVISE BERN
OF OPINION OF U. S. ATTORNEY IN SAN FRANCISCO REGARDING EXPANSION OF
INVESTIGATION AND WHETHER U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (USDJ) INTENDS,
IN FACT, G. SUBMIT FORMAL REQUEST AS WAS PROMISED IN WRITING BY
MR. CHARIG, A REPRESENTATIVE OF CIVIL DIVISION, USDJ, ASSIGNED TO U.S.
CONSULATE, MUNICH. (S) (U)

ADMINISTRATIVE: (U)

BKUREAU REQUESTED TO RETRANSMIT TO SAN FRANCISCO. (U)

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