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TRANSMIT VIA:

- Teletype
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PRECEDENCE:

- Immediate
- Priority
- Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

- TOP SECRET
- SECRET
- CONFIDENTIAL
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Date 1/3/79

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (89-4286)

FROM: SAC, BUFFALO (89-96) (P)

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(OO: SAN FRANCISCO)

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Re Buffalo airtel to Bureau, 12/15/78 and San Francisco teletype to Bureau, 12/20/78. (u)

Enclosed for San Francisco are the original and two copies of an FD-302 reflecting details of interview of [redacted]. Also enclosed are the investigative notes regarding this interview. Also enclosed for San Francisco are the original and two copies of an investigative insert regarding investigation conducted by the Buffalo Division regarding [redacted]. (u)

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies each of the above mentioned FD-302 and investigative insert. (u)

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- 2 - San Francisco (89-250) (Encs. 7) (RM)
- 1 - Buffalo

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[redacted] Mayville, New York, furnished the following information: (u)

He stated that he is an amateur Radio Operator and on September 5, 1978, he talked to an individual by the name of JIM from the Peoples Temple in Jonestown, Guyana. He stated that they talked for approximately fifteen minutes about the weather and climate in Guyana. [redacted] recalled that JIM described the Peoples Temple as a free agricultural and medical clinic in the Jungles of Guyana. [redacted] commented that the way JIM talked, you would think he lived in Utopia. (u)

[redacted] stated that he sent one of his QSL cards to Guyana to verify the radio contact and a few weeks later he received one back. He stated that the QSL card he received from Guyana reflected the name of ALBERT TOUCHETTE and the back was signed by AL and WES. However, he was certain that the individual he talked to said his name was JIM. (u)

[redacted] stated that he had been monitoring the Peoples Temple radio signals for several months prior to and after the contact he made with JIM. He indicated that most of their broadcasts were from Guyana to San Francisco and back. He stated they would often ask their San Francisco Office to contact certain doctors in California to seek advice regarding particular situations; however, he could not recall the names of any of the doctors. He also stated that they would give cryptic messages to one another or they would speak in half sentences. He stated that he never heard them broadcast any distress calls or emergency-type messages. (u)

[redacted] commented that it is possible that the FCC may have received several complaints regarding the Peoples Temple's broadcasts and that they may have received several recordings of their conversations from other amateur radio operators who may have monitored them. (u)

[redacted] then advised that he would mail Special Agent [redacted] a copy of the QSL card he received from Guyana since he did not have it on his person. (u)

Interviewed on 12/7/78 at Mayville, New York File # Buffalo 89-96

by SA [redacted] rrk Date dictated 12/13/78

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The following investigation was conducted by
Special Agent [redacted] (u)

On November 24, 1978 a check was made with Livingston County Sheriff's Office (LCSO), Geneseo, New York for any record or information regarding [redacted] [redacted] Conesus, New York. LCSO records were negative regarding [redacted] and deputies on duty did not know [redacted]. Contact was then made with Special Deputy [redacted] [redacted] Conesus, New York. He advised that he lives about one quarter of a mile from [redacted] residence and although he knows [redacted] he does not know him well. He advised that [redacted] is an elderly fellow, is a doctor, and recently he observed a moving van at their residence. [redacted] advised that he believes [redacted] has retired and may have moved to Florida, however he understands [redacted] had a place in Rochester, New York and did his medical practice there. [redacted] advised that [redacted] residence is for sale by Mack Realty and advised that [redacted] is the realty agent. [redacted] resides at Geneseo, New York, [redacted] (u)

On November 24, 1978 [redacted] was contacted. He advised that he is trying to sell [redacted] residence. He stated that [redacted] is in the process of moving to Florida, however he did not know if [redacted] had established residence in Florida yet, or where he would be residing in Florida. (u)

On November 24, 1978 attempt was made to contact [redacted] Conesus, New York, however no one was at the residence and it appeared vacant. A review of the Rochester, New York telephone directory located a listing for [redacted] telephone [redacted]. Contact was made with this telephone number and the person answering advised this was the doctor's office answering service. She further advised that [redacted] was in the process of relocating in Florida because he had just recently retired. She gave the name of [redacted] former nurse for [redacted] as being the person most likely to know [redacted] location in Florida, since there were no relatives of [redacted] in the area. The nurse's (u)

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telephone number was given as [] which is a Rochester
area telephone. (u)

Several attempts were made to contact anyone
at [] with negative results. (u)

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