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1. FOLLOWING WAS POSTED IN PRESS BRIEFING ROOM IN DEPARTMENT ON JANUARY 3:

THE GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA HAS ASKED THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO LOOK INTO A PRESS REPORT OF DECEMBER 24, 1978 WHICH INDICATED THAT TWO SENIOR UNITED STATES OFFICIALS HAD QUESTIONED WHETHER GUYANESE AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES LAWRENCE MANN HAD EVER INVESTIGATED ALLEGATIONS OF MISTREATMENT AND IMPRISONMENT BY THE PEOPLES TEMPLE ORGANIZATION. THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS REPLIED THAT NO OFFICIAL SPOKESMAN OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS MADE SUCH A STATEMENT. VANCE

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