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INFO:

REF: NOTES OF EVIDENCE TAKEN DURING CORONER'S INQUEST INTO JONESTOWN DEATHS

REF: GEORGETOWN 0200 AND BELICE-CLARK TELSON OF 1/19/79

INFO: DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATE EFFORTS BEING MADE BY EMBASSY TO OBTAIN "NOTES OF EVIDENCE" OF CORONER'S INQUEST. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF "NOTES" COULD BE OBTAINED SOONER THAN TEN DAYS MENTIONED IN REFEL. THESE NOTES ARE CURRENTLY NEEDED TO FACILITATE BURIAL/CREMATION OF BODIES IN SEVERAL STATES INCLUDING DELAWARE.

INFO: IT IS ALSO IMPERATIVE THAT EMBASSY REQUEST A LETTER FROM AN OFFICIAL OF THE GUYANA MAGISTRATE'S COURT OR OTHER APPROPRIATE OFFICIAL INCLUDING 1. A BRIEF SUMMARY INDICATING THE LEGAL AUTHORITY AND PURPOSE OF A CORONER'S INQUEST UNDER GUYANA LAW 2. NUMBER OF DAYS INQUEST WAS HELD 3. NUMBER OF WITNESSES CALLED 4. A SUMMARY OF THE CRUCIAL EVIDENCE CONSIDERED TO BE INSTRUMENTAL IN THE CONCLUSIONS REACHED IN THE JURY'S VERDICT.

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INFO: EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN THIS MATTER IS MUCH APPRECIATED. PLEASE ADVISE BY TELEGRAM THE DATE NOTES WILL BE FURNISHED. VANCE

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REVIEWED BY JOHN SIMMS DATE 2-27-81

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