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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 0090

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PASS TO: LEGATT, CARACAS

JUSTICE - M. ABBELL

E.O. 12065: NA

TAGS: AINF, CASC

SUBJ: CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION, PEOPLES TEMPLE

1. LEGATT AT CARACAS HAS REQUESTED THAT EMBASSY OBTAIN VARIOUS RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS SOUGHT BY CIVIL AND CRIMINAL DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, IN CONNECTION WITH CONTINUING INVESTIGATION OF PEOPLES TEMPLE. EMBASSY HAS DEFERRED RESPONSE TO LEGATT PENDING CONFIRMATION OF STATUS OF THIS MATERIAL UNDER PRIVACY ACT.

2. EMBASSY IS ADVISED THAT JUSTICE HAS FORMALLY ADVISED DEPARTMENT OF THE INITIATION OF AN INVESTIGATION OF THE PEOPLES TEMPLE. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT ANY DOCUMENTS OR INFORMATION REQUESTED BY JUSTICE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS INVESTIGATION WOULD BE EXEMPT FROM PROHIBITIONS AGAINST DISCLOSURE CONTAINED IN PRIVACY ACT. EMBASSY REQUESTS DEPARTMENT CONFIRMATION OF THIS VIEW. MATERIAL REQUESTED BY LEGATT, CARACAS WILL BE REQUESTED FROM COG WHEN CONFIRMATION RECEIVED

3. DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO POUCH TO EMBASSY COPY OF

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JUSTICE LETTER NOTING THE INITIATION OF THE INVESTIGATION.

BURKE

NOTE BY OC/T: GEORGETOWN 0915 NOT PASSED LEGATT, CARACAS.

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REVIEWED BY [Signature] DATE 2/26/81

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