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ON FEBRUARY 1, 1979, JAMES G. HERGEN, CIVIL DIVISION,
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (USDJ), TELEPHONICALLY
CONTACTED FBIHQ AND REQUESTED AN INTERVIEW OF HELEN SWINNEY, A
MEMBER OF THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE (PT).

MR. HERGEN STATED HE HAS LEARNED THROUGH STATE DEPARTMENT
SOURCES THAT THE PT MAINTAINED AN ACCOUNT IN BARCLAY'S BANK,
TRINIDAD. THIS ACCOUNT WAS IN THE NAMES OF HELEN SWINNEY AND
RICHARD JANARO. ACCORDING TO MR. HERGEN'S INFORMATION, THE
PT FUNDS IN THIS ACCOUNT WERE TO BE USED FOR SUPPLIES AND
SERVICING OF THEIR BOAT, ALBATROS III. ACCORDING TO MR. HER-
GEN'S INFORMATION THIS ACCOUNT CONTAINED APPROXIMATELY \$50,000
WHICH HELEN SWINNEY OBTAINED WHEN SHE CLOSED THE ACCOUNT 7 1979

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DECEMBER 8, 1978. HELEN SWINNEY THEN REPORTEDLY RETURNED TO
THE UNITED STATES DECEMBER 10, 1978.

MR. HERGEN REQUESTED HELEN SWINNEY BE LOCATED AND INTER-
VIEWED CONCERNING THE PURPOSE OF THE ACCOUNT IN BARCLAY'S
BANK, WHO AUTHORIZED IT TO BE OPENED, WHAT WAS THE INTEREST OF
RICHARD JANARO IN THE ACCOUNT, THE DISPOSITION OF THE FUNDS
WHICH WERE REMOVED FROM IT, AND OTHER PERTINENT DETAILS.

SAN FRANCISCO IS REQUESTED TO REVIEW PRIOR INTERVIEW
REPORTS OF HELEN SWINNEY AND THEREAFTER SET OUT APPROPRIATE
LEADS TO HAVE HER INTERVIEWED AS REQUESTED BY MR. HERGEN.
INSTRUCT OFFICE COVERING LEAD TO SUBMIT RESULTS TO FBIHQ IN
A FORM SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION. (u)

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NOTE : AS INDICATED ABOVE JAMES G. HERGEN, CIVIL DIVISION, USDOJ, REQUESTED HELEN SWINNEY TO BE REINTERVIEWED CONCERNING A BANK ACCOUNT SHE CLOSED AND REPORTEDLY OBTAINED \$60,000. MR. HERGEN IS HANDLING THE CIVIL MATTER AS TO THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT'S ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN FUNDS FROM PT BANK ACCOUNTS IN ORDER TO REIMBURSE THE GOVERNMENT FOR EXPENSES INCURRED IN AIRLIFTING BODIES FROM JONESTOWN, GUYANA, TO DOVER, DELAWARE. MR. HERGEN STATED HIS INFORMATION CAME THROUGH THE STATE DEPARTMENT [REDACTED]

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