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TAGS: CGEM/GY (PEOPLE'S TEMPLE)

89-4286-1927

SUBJ: HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE QUESTIONS ON

THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE

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REF: STATE 38083

1. REFTEL PARA 1-(1). INDIVIDUAL STATEMENTS ON CONTACTS OF MISSION PERSONNEL WITH THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 18, 1978, BEING HAND CARRIED TO WASHINGTON WITH DELIVERY TO

ARRA/CAR [] EXPECTED FEBRUARY 22.

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2. A. REPEL PARA 1-(3). REGARDING MINOR CHILD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATIONS ARE RELEVANT:

77 STATE 303126 AND 303147; 77 GEORGETOWN 3322! 77 STATE
309694; 78 GEORGETOWN 0034 AND 0232; DEPT LETTER (CA/SCS)
OF JANUARY 25, 1978 TO [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

B. ACCORDING TO THESE MESSAGES [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] LIVED WITH HER MATERNAL GRAND PARENTS FROM
SHORTLY AFTER HER BIRTH. THE CHILD ACCOMPANIED THEM WHEN
THEY IMMIGRATED TO GUYANA IN JUNE OF 1977, ACCORDING TO
STATE 303126. GUYANESE IMMIGRATION AUTHORITIES, HOWEVER,
STATE THAT THEY HAVE NO RECORD OF [REDACTED] ENTRY INTO
GUYANA, ALTHOUGH IMMIGRATION RECORDS SHOW THAT THE OTHER

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FAMILY MEMBERS ARRIVED ON AUGUST 11, 1977. THE PASSPORTS OF THE GRAND PARENTS, EMMET AND MARY GRIFFITH, NOW IN THE DEPARTMENT, MAY YIELD FURTHER INFORMATION. IN DECEMBER, 1977

[REDACTED] MOTHER TELEPHONED SCS AND REQUESTED ASSISTANCE IN EFFECTING [REDACTED] RETURN. THE EMBASSY DISCUSSED THE SITUATION WITH [REDACTED] GRANDMOTHER WHO REFUSED TO SEND [REDACTED] BACK AND WITH GUYANESE AUTHORITIES WHO SUGGESTED THAT [REDACTED] MOTHER SUE FOR CUSTODY IN GUYANA. THERE IS NO INDICATION IN OUR FILES TO INDICATE WHETHER [REDACTED] EVER PURSUED THE MATTER.

3. REFTEL PARA 1-(4).A. LEGAL ARRANGEMENT UNDER WHICH PEOPLE'S TEMPLE OPERATED IN GUYANA: THE EMBASSY WAS NOT AWARE OF THE PRECISE DETAILS OF THE LEASE WHICH THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE HELD ON JONESTOWN, ALTHOUGH FORMER [REDACTED] [REDACTED] HAD BEEN TOLD BY TEMPLE MEMBERS THAT A FORMAL COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENT WAS BEING CONSIDERED WHEN HE ENQUIRED ABOUT PUBLIC REPORTS OF APPLICATIONS FOR GUYANESE CITIZENSHIP BY TEMPLE MEMBERS. L/A/A HAS COPIES OF THE OFFICIAL GUYANESE DOCUMENTS PERMITTING

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THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE TO SETTLE IN GUYANA.

B. THE GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA INFORMED THE EMBASSY PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 14 THAT THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE MEMBERS ENJOYED THE SAME RIGHTS TO PRIVACY AS DO OTHER GUYANESE RESIDENTS. THE GUYANESE GOVERNMENT THEREFORE STATED IT WOULD NOT UNDERTAKE TO FORCE THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE TO RECEIVE VISITORS IT DID NOT WISH TO RECEIVE.

4. REFTEL PARA 1-(5). THE GUYANESE POLICE RECEIVED 803 PASSPORTS FROM JONESTOWN, AND TURNED THEM OVER TO THE EMBASSY. THE EMBASSY IN TURN FORWARDED THEM TO THE DEPARTMENT (CA/PPT/L). IT IS THE EMBASSY'S RECOLLECTION THAT THESE PASSPORTS INCLUDED TWO BRITISH HONDURAN (I.E., [REDACTED] AND ONE BRITISH PASSPORT, BUT THIS CAN EASILY BE CHECKED IN THE DEPARTMENT. BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION WAS PROVIDED XEROX COPIES

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OF BIO PAGES FROM THESE PASSPORTS.

TAGS: CASC, GY (PEOPLES TEMPLE)

SUBJECT: W/H TRAVEL OF 3KY MARSHALS

REF: STATE 325396

1. FEDERAL AVIATION NOW ADVISES THAT AIR MARSHALL

WILL ALSO DISEMBARK WITH AT

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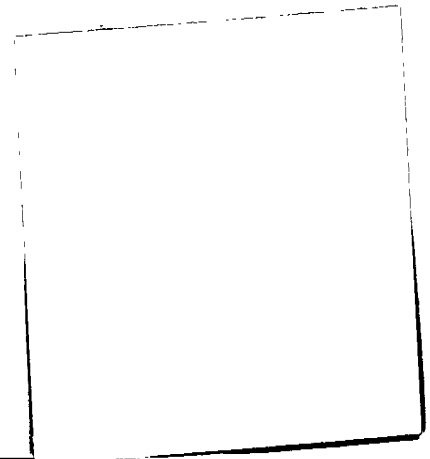
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2. REMAINING FOUR NAMED AIR MARSHALS LISTED PARAGRAPH

THREE REFTEL WILL CONTINUE ON TO GEORGETOWN. VANCE

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5. REFTEL PARA 1-7: THE EMBASSY HAS NO FIRST HAND KNOWLEDGE OF THE FOREIGN TRAVEL OF EITHER THE REVEREND JIM JONES OR [REDACTED] JONES' PASSPORTS DATING BACK A NUMBER OF YEARS HAVE BEEN SENT TO THE DEPARTMENT, HOWEVER, AND MAY OFFER SUCH INFORMATION. A SPECIAL EDITION OF THE GEORGETOWN "CHRONICLE" OF DECEMBER 6 ON THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE, HAS ARTICLES DEALING WITH JONES' STAY IN BRAZIL AND WITH A PROPOSED TRIP TO CUBA WHICH HE POSSIBLY MADE IN OCTOBER, 1976. THE DEPARTMENT HAS COPIES OF THIS "CHRONICLE" SPECIAL EDITION.

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6. REFTEL PARA 1-(3). THE EMBASSY HAS NO RECORD OF EVER RECEIVING A REPORT OF US CUSTOMS INSPECTION OF ANY SHIPMENT TO THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE IN GUYANA. THAT SUCH AN INSPECTION HAD TAKEN PLACE, HOWEVER, WAS ALLEGED BY PEOPLE'S TEMPLE MEMBERS [REDACTED] AND PROBABLY TO OTHERS AS EVIDENCE OF OFFICIAL AMERICAN GOVERNMENT HARRASSMENT. PEOPLE'S TEMPLE MEMBERS ALSO ALLEGED THAT GUYANESE CUSTOMS INSPECTED IN DETAIL A SHIPMENT OF GOODS FROM THE UNITED STATES TO JONESTOWN, INFERRING THAT THE INSPECTION WAS UNDERTAKEN AS A RESULT OF PRODDING BY THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT. THE FACT OF THE GUYANESE INSPECTION IN DETAIL OF ONE SHIPMENT WAS CONFIRMED BY THE CONTROLLER OF CUSTOMS TO THE AMBASSADOR AFTER NOVEMBER 13, 1978 BUT NO REASON (I.E., AN INTERPOL SUGGESTION) WAS STATED FOR THE INSPECTION. CONTROLLER VOLUNTEERED THAT THEIR SEARCH HAD BEEN NEGATIVE IN TERMS OF ANY CONTRABAND.

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7. REPTEL PARA 1-(9). GUYANA AIRWAYS CORPORATION (GAC)

RECORDS SHOW THAT THE GAC TWIN OTTER AIRCRAFT WHICH WAS SENT TO PICK UP THE CONGRESSIONAL PARTY AT PORT KAITUMA ON NOVEMBER 18 LEFT GEORGETOWN'S TIMEHRI AIRPORT AT 1552 HOURS NOVEMBER 18 AND ARRIVED AT PORT KAITUMA AT 1647 HOURS LOCAL TIME. (DCM DWYER'S REPORT AND OTHER PUBLISHED REPORTS REFLECTING AN EARLIER ARRIVAL TIME OF THE AIRCRAFT AT PORT KAITUMA ARE APPARENTLY IN ERROR.) THE SINGLE ENGINE CESSNA AIRCRAFT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ARRIVED IN PORT KAITUMA AT THE SAME TIME. THE ATTACK ON THE CONGRESSIONAL PARTY TOOK PLACE APPROXIMATELY A HALF HOUR LATER. AT APPROXIMATELY 1800 HOURS PRIME MINISTER FORBES BURNHAM TELEPHONED THE AMBASSADOR AND REQUESTED THAT THE AMBASSADOR COME IMMEDIATELY TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S GEORGETOWN RESIDENCE. AT APPROXIMATELY 1815 HOURS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO EARLIER IN THE DAY HAD HELPED TO ARRANGE FOR THE CHARTER OF THE CESSNA, WAS TELEPHONED BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OWNER OF THE AIRCRAFT AND INFORMED THAT

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THERE HAD BEEN A SHOOTING INCIDENT AT THE PORT KAITUMA
AIR STRIP ABOUT WHICH HE HAD HEARD FROM A CIVIL AVIATION OFFICIAL.

[REDACTED] IMMEDIATELY CALLED [REDACTED] AND THEN
WENT TO [REDACTED] HOUSE, APPROXIMATELY 150 YARDS FROM HIS
OWN. HE INFORMED [REDACTED] OF THE TELEPHONE CALL. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IMMEDIATELY TELEPHONED THE AMBASSADOR BUT THE
AMBASSADOR HAD ALREADY LEFT TO GO TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S
RESIDENCE. [REDACTED] WAS AT TIMEHRI

AIRPORT TOGETHER WITH HFAC STAFF MEMBER [REDACTED]

TO MEET THE DELEGATION UPON ITS RETURN FROM PORT KAITUMA. HE WAS INFORMED BY THE AIRPORT AUTHORITIES AT APPROXIMATELY 6:15 PM THAT A SHOOTING HAD OCCURRED AT PORT KAITUMA AND THAT THE AMBASSADOR WAS AT THAT MOMENT ON HIS WAY TO MEET WITH THE PRIME MINISTER.

AFTER RECEIVING AN INITIAL BRIEFING FROM THE PRIME MINISTER ON THE SHOOTING AT PORT KAITUMA AS WELL AS WHAT THE GOVERNMENT PLANNED TO DO TO GET SECURITY FORCES INTO THE AREA, THE AMBASSADOR WENT DIRECTLY TO THE CHANCERY, ARRIVING AT 7:55 PM ACCORDING TO THE LOG BOOK OF THE MARINE SECURITY GUARD, AND DICTATED 78 GEORGETOWN 3774 WHICH WAS SENT AT 2030 HOURS LOCAL TIME.

THE AMBASSADOR ALSO PLACED AN OVERSEAS CALL TO

[REDACTED]

THE CALL COULD

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NOT BE COMPLETED IMMEDIATELY SO THAT WHEN THE AMBASSADOR LEFT THE CHANCERY TO RETURN TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S RESIDENCE AT

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8:30 PM HE INSTRUCTED HIS SECRETARY TO READ [] THE TEXT OF
THE MESSAGE WHEN THE CALL CAME THROUGH. THIS WAS DONE AT
APPROXIMATELY 3:40 PM. AT 2250 HOURS LOCAL 78 GEORGETOWN 3775
WAS TRANSMITTED WHICH CONTAINED AN UNOFFICIAL LIST OF THE
PASSENGER MANIFEST CONTAINING THE NAMES OF THOSE WHO ACCOMPANIED
CONGRESSMAN RYAN ON NOVEMBER 17. AT 0015 HOURS LOCAL 78
GEORGETOWN 3776 WAS TRANSMITTED, CONTAINING THE SECOND
REPORT OF THE AMBASSADOR WHO HAD JUST RETURNED FROM THE PRIME
MINISTER'S RESIDENCE WHERE THE AIRCRAFT CREWS OF THE OTTER AND
CESSNA WERE BEING DEBRIEFED. THE PILOTS REPORTED THAT
CONGRESSMAN RYAN AND MEMBERS OF THE NBC CREW HAD BEEN KILLED.
AT 0715 HOURS LOCAL ON THE MORNING OF NOVEMBER 19 POLICE
COMMISSIONER BARKER TELEPHONED THE AMBASSADOR AND CONFIRMED
THE DEATHS OF CONGRESSMAN RYAN, NBC NEWSMEN HARRIS AND BROWN
AND ONE UNIDENTIFIED PHOTOGRAPHER, WHICH INFORMATION WAS
TRANSMITTED IN 78 GEORGETOWN 3778 AT 0805 HOURS LOCAL.
THE POLICE COMMISSIONER CALLED AGAIN LATER IN THE MORNING TO ADD
THE NAMES OF GREGORY ROBINSON AND MRS. PATRICIA PARKS TO THE
LIST OF DEAD, WHICH MESSAGE WAS TRANSMITTED AS 78 GEORGETOWN
3779 AT 1150 HOURS LOCAL TIME.

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RETEL PARA 1-(10). IN ADDITION TO THE VISITORS CITED IN
THE JONESTOWN GUEST BOOK ALREADY PROVIDED TO THE COMMITTEE,
THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS ARE ALSO KNOWN TO HAVE VISITED
JONESTOWN: GOG CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] GOG NORTHWEST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY

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OF GUYANA; GOG PERMANENT SECRETARY OF THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC
WORKS; GOG ASSISTANT DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF NATIONAL SERVICE;
GOG NORTHWEST REGIONAL MINISTER; A [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] GUYANESE DENTAL SURGEON DR. NG-A-FOOK;

THE REVEREND AND MRS. JOHN MOORE (WHOSE TWO DAUGHTERS

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PERISHED ON NOVEMBER 18 AT JONESTOWN); GOG PERMANENT REP TO
THE UN RASHLEIGH JACKSON BEFORE HIS APPOINTMENT AS MINISTER
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

9. REFTEL PARA 1-(11). THE WEAPONS RECOVERED FROM JONESTOWN WERE ENUMERATED BY FBI [REDACTED] ON EMPORARY DUTY IN GEORGETOWN. [REDACTED] MESSAGES TO FBI HEADQUARTERS CONCERNING THESE WEAPONS WERE 78 GEORGETOWN 3927; 3969, 3970; AND 4017. THIRTY TWO WEAPONS, INCLUDING ONE SIGNAL FLARE PISTOL, WERE RECOVERED BY THE POLICE AT JONESTOWN WHICH TOGETHER WITH THE PISTOL ALLEGEDLY TAKEN AWAY FROM MR. LAWRENCE LAYTON BY [REDACTED] AT PORT KAITUMA ON NOVEMBER 13 COMPRISE THE THIRTY THREE WEAPONS NOTED IN [REDACTED] LETTER. IN ADDITION TO THESE, TWO WEAPONS WERE SEIZED BY THE POLICE IN PORT KAITUMA FROM MESSRS. [REDACTED] AND MICHAEL PROKES. THE GUYANESE POLICE HAVE INFORMED THE EMBASSY THAT THEY HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY OTHER WEAPONS AT JONESTOWN.

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