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Dear Director Webster:

Mrs. Clare B. Bouquet of San Mateo, Calif., sent me a copy of her March 20th letter to you regarding my story referring to your remarks about the Peoples Temple at the George Washington Law Association luncheon on March 7.

The letter is essentially correct. But it does not make clear that my story contained no implication that you had mentioned her On the contrary, it contained this sentence: "Webster said only that the woman was from Sen. Hayakawa's district."

Mrs. Bouquet's name was given to me by Sen. Hayakawa's administrative assistant, Eugene Prat, after a check of district offices found her to be the only case they were aware of that might have been investigated by the FBI.

I simply want to clarify that point and to apologize for any embarrassment the reference may have cause

I agree with Mrs. Bouquet that the federal government's role in the entire Peoples Temple matter remains unclear. If Teanbe ... helpful in that context I most sincerely hope you will call App me 1979

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MRS. CLARE P. BOUQUET

AN OPEN LETTER:

I was extremely shocked to read, in the San Francisco Examiner (March 8, 1979), an article by Tom Eastham, concerning your recent remarks before the George Washington Law Association. Someone -- either you or Mr. Eastham, does not have the facts straight.

I quote, "The F.B.I. looked into only one complaint against the Peoples Temple before the Jonestown murder-suicides, director William Webster has revealed." My name is mentioned as being the person you "probably meant". The article goes on to say, "Agents interviewing the woman found she had no actual evidence -- only 'very good woman's intuition' -- which was not enough to open an investigation."

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First of all, I would like to clarify the fact that \underline{NO} F.B.I. agents interviewed me when I asked for help. Also, your alleged statements appear to be slapted to make the listener believe that no one, other than myself, registered complaints against the Peoples Temple prior to the Jonestown massacre. The fact is that I personally know of at least two other people, members of the Concerned Relatives, who did complain directly to the F.B.I., sometime ago. If their pleas were not given any attention -- why?

I have in my possession copies of two sworn affidavits, both from exmembers of the Peoples Temple, which spell out the abuses at Jonestown, including the mass suicide threats. Not only was all this information given wide newspaper coverage, last June, but also these affidavits, I believe, were sent to the State Department, in Washington D.C. With the lives of so many Americans threatened, was there no communication between the State Department and the F.B.I.? What assistance was offered, by any government agency, to Leo Ryan when he courageously attempted to free the people at Jonestown?

There are a multitude of unanswered questions arising from the tragedy of Jonestown. Those of us who lost our loved ones deserve and demand to know the entire truth about all that went before November 19, 1978. The public at large is also entitled to honest answers about the involvement, or lack of it, of local and federal government agencies and officials. 100 4286-3137

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A slow-growing cancer like Jonestown does not suddenly erupt, but is marked with symptoms over a long period of time.

Sincerely,

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Clare P. Bouquet

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