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Attached herewith are typewritten copies
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MICHAEL PROKES, [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] These were received from the
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Criminal Investigation Department,
Police Headquarters,
Eve Leary,

21st November, 1978.

Michael Prokes states:-

I am an American citizen formerly of 1859 Greary Boulevard, San Francisco California. I am a member of the People's Temple at Port Kaituma, North West District Guyana. I joined the People's Temple in November, 1972 whilst living in the United States. I joined the People's Temple at Port Kaituma during the month of August, 1977. The People's Temple at Port Kaituma was being carried on at an area known as Jonestown there were about eight hundred persons out of which there were about four Guyanese, when I arrived at Jonestown I met Pastor Jim Jones and the first type of job I did was working in the cassava gang (generally) secondly I did the work of a school teacher and thirdly I worked in the machinery shop ordering and delivering of spare parts for Agriculture Machineries. There are about four or five times shown I came to Georgetown and during such times I did community work on behalf of the People's Temple. During my entire stay at Jonestown I was never restricted in any way by Jim Jones or any of his security members whom he had picked to guard him and the farm. Sometime about 12.00M.D. on Friday the 17th November, 1978 I heard over the public address system at Jonestown that on that very day, Congressman Leo Ryan of the United States will be visiting Jonestown; Leo Ryan arrived at Jonestown about 5.00p.m. and that very afternoon he was shown around a few buildings by Mrs Jim Jones, Jim Jones was in the farm at the time when Leo Ryan arrived there. There were about five persons including myself who went to the airport to meet Congressman Leo Ryan and took him to Jonestown. After Leo Ryan was finished shown around he met a few persons through the farm's Secretary Harriet Tropp (deceased) in the pavilion; the discussion there was private; during which time Jim Jones was speaking to reporters representing the Washington Post, San Francisco Chronicle - Ron Jarvis, San Francisco Examiner - Tim Reiterman, and National Broadcasting Company News. Don Harris (deceased) and Bob Flick; these were all persons who came with Leo Ryan. There were also four American relatives who came with the reporters and they were Jim Cobb, Tim Katsairs, one by the title of Oliver and the fourth person I cannot recall. After the discussion at the pavilion dinner was served after which after which there was entertainment by the bank of the Jonestown farm and this lasted for about two hours. I should mention that Jim Jones came from the back door about half an hour after the Congressman and party had arrived and he was mostly engaged in speaking to reporters. The entire community went to bed about 12.00M.N. The Congressman and a few who came with him slept at Jonestown whilst the reporters slept at Port Kaituma and they did not return to Jonestown until about 10.30a.m. to 11.00a.m. the following day the Congressman continued his interviewing and the newsmen were taken on a tour. When it was about 12.00m.d. Richard Dwyer who was a member of the Congressman's party expressed to Jim Jones that forty six persons on the farm were

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of leaving the very day for the United States. Jim Jones spoke to these persons enquiring from them why they wanted to leave, during such time about fifteen more persons on the farm came up saying that they also wanted to leave. At that moment Jim Jones sent someone for several thousand of dollars to send away those desirous of leaving; this was about 3.30p.m. and several persons boarded the truck to leave the farm; the Congressman was yet speaking to Jim Jones in the pavillian and attorney when suddenly a member of the People's Temple came up and probably attempted to stab the Congressman as both were lying on the ground jostling as they were being seperated the same time. The attacker was pulled away and lead off, shortly after, the entire party that came with the Congressman left, and few of the farm remained at the pavillian with the attorneys whilst the majority went to their homes. At that moment Maria Katsairs came to me whilst I was near the pavillian and told me that there would be trouble as some of People's Temple members have gone after the Congressman and party. Katsairs was one of the Secretaries to Jim Jones and she told me to go to her house and wait for her and I did so and whilst there Tim Carter a member of the People's Temple came with an empty suit case and handed it to someone who was also in the house and someone asked him to give a message to someone and after he left Maria Katsairs came and filled the bag with money and and told me that there were letters also inside and she said to take the letters and mail them and the money to the Embassy. She did not mention which Embassy. I presumed it was the Soviet Union Embassy because there was taking at Jonestown about moving to the Soviet Union. At that moment she told to wait for Mike and Tim Carter who will be accompanying me with the money. She then gave a .38 revolver and five rounds of ammunitions and another to Mike Carter with five rounds also. Mike, Tim and I then left, this was about 4.30p.m. - 5.00p.m. and went intent heading for Port Kaituma but found the money bag too congested for us to fetch and move quickly so we hid some of the money by the chicken pen and in the plantain fields and we took small amounts which we could have walked with and these consisted of Guyana and American dollars. As it was nightfall we were passing the vicinity of Kaituma Police Station when the Police stopped us and we told them what had happened and they took the money, arms and ammunitions from us and we stayed at a cassava mill, which was near the Police Station. The Crime Chief Mr. Roberts came Sunday night to Kaituma and I told him of all the incidents in general and I subsequently returned to Jonestown in company with the Police where I identified dead bodies at the farm and took the Police where the money was buried. I donot know how much money was buried but it was made up of American and Guyanese currencies. Before Tim and Mike Carter and I left with the money there was no killing of humanbeings taking place; the only thing I heard whilst we were leaving was the sound of a round being fired off.

Sgd. Mike Prokes

This statement was taken by me on 21.11.78 at 8.00p.m. at the Eva Leary It was read over to Michael Prokes who said it is true and correct and signed his name to it in my presence.

Criminal Investigation Department,
Police Headquarters,

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[redacted] years states:-

[redacted] I am a member of the People's Temple since January, 1973. I was very active member of this Organisation in California where I used to live also. I came to Guyana on [redacted]

[redacted] then I went to Jonestown. I know

a [redacted] and once in 1972, I visited her and in the course of our conversations she told me about Jim Jones and that he was one of the most loving person she ever met in her life. She advised me to see him. When she told me about Jim Jones it was the first time I was hearing about him. I never heard about the Peoples Temple before too. Sometime later I saw an article in the Newspaper about the Peoples Temple and what I read in the article told me that the Headquarters of this organisation was at Redwood Valley, California. In the same year I went to the Temple's Headquarters and made contact and later about one month I became a member. On the first meeting I spoke to Jim Jones briefly after he introduced himself to me. I attended meeting regularly and I became more acquainted with Jim Jones and the Organisation. As a matter of fact I was working full time with the Organisation since I joined. I learnt that the police of the Organisation was to help poor people in clothing, food, finance and Medical Treatment. The membership of the Organisation was very wide and included quite a few prominent people in the Community. From time to time being in the Organisation the things I saw and the way I saw Jim Jones conducted himself interested me. About one year and a half after I joined the Organisation Jim Jones told me that he had sex with both male and female. I know for a fact that he was involved sexually with a lot of women within the Organisation in some cases other people's wife. I learnt from Jim Jones also that about 17 year ago he was in Guyana and he liked the place a lot. Late 1973 or early 1974 for the first time I heard Jim Jones saying at a meeting at California that the group had decided to settle at Guyana to start an agriculture project and later in the year 1974, Jim Jones came over to Guyana to seek permission from the Government. He went back to California and informed the group that permission was granted by the Guyana Government to start an experimental Agricultural project. After that whenever Jim Jones talk about Guyana, he referred to her as the promise land. The first group came to Guyana sometime in 1974. Jim Jones did not come with them to my knowledge. Jim Jones came to Guyana finally to live sometime in June 1977. About one month after he came over the head office was transferred to Guyana also. Jim Jones had informed the members of the Organisation that the Government of Guyana had named the place Jones town and that was the first time I heard the name Jonestown. There were radio sets both at Jonestown and California and although Jim Jones was at Jonestown he and members used to make contact by the sets. He used to make contact with other top members of

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the Organisation who were still at California also by set and would pass on whatever instructions he would have to. [redacted] I came over to Guyana with some other members and by this time there were about 600 persons already at Jonestown including Jim Jones. When I arrived in Guyana I stopped for about two weeks at [redacted] then I went to Jonestown. I saw the people had started to plant plantains, and cassave, eddoes and other vegetable crops also fruits. I saw that the people appeared to be happy. I spent an average of about three months at Jonestown and during that time everything seem to be alright. I ate primarily rice and gravy also greens. I observed that everybody was actually eating the same food. In all to me the people at Jonestown seem to have been on good terms with Jim Jones. [redacted]

[redacted] From time to time I heard Jim Jones talking about committing suicide by himself and all the members of the Organisation. I heard him saying many times that dying was easy and was freedom from pain of the world. I heard him saying many times that to die by revolutionary suicide is dignified. I do not know anything about the plans Jim Jones had to poison the people. I know that in the states on one occasion Jim Jones carried out a suicide drill but it was not poison infect but cool-aid. Later I heard that this happened at Jonestown too but I have no personal knowledge about it. I did not sign any suicide letter at Jonestown or in Guyana but I signed a letter at California sometime after I joined the Organisation saying that I do not wish to live anymore. I gave this letter up at a meeting to either the Secretary or someone who was collecting it for Jim Jones. I signed several Blank sheets of paper at California but I never signed any blank sheets of paper at California, but I never signed any blank sheets at Jonestown. I was not the owner of any property in the states. [redacted]

[redacted] came over before me whilst she was pregnant and that was in early July 1977. [redacted] was born in Guyana on [redacted]

I know for a fact that the persons who were brought across from California to live at Jonestown were told to sell all their property and gave the money to the Church. I do not know who was controlling the finances of the Peoples Temple at Jonestown. When I left Jonestown to come to Georgetown to do Customs work for the Temple I went back to Jonestown on two occasions and spent about two weeks. I did not observe any dissatisfaction in the people to my mind living condition had improved. I was present at Jonestown when [redacted] and [redacted] of the American Embassy and few other guests on about three occasions and these guests were well received by the people at Jonestown. I know for a fact that the people were allowed to talk to the guests during these visits. I know for a fact Jim Jones would intimidate the people not to tell any lies to any of the guests. When I was at Jonestown for the three months if anyone should violate any of the rules they are punished in accordance with the punishment recommended by a committee. I know that they had something called the learning crew whereby the people are given hard labour. I cannot say if after I had left Jonestown the situation had changed. I know that there are Security Guards at Jonestown. I have never seen the Security Guards beating anyone at Jonestown. I know that they had shotgun and rifle at Jonestown. I was told by Jim Jones that the weapons were all licensed. During last month I went for a period of three weeks in the states on Temple business and read in the newspapers over there that Congressman Leo Ryan was going to visit Jonestown. I returned to Guyana on [redacted]

[redacted] I went to Jonestown and I spoke to

Jim Jones. I told him about the visit I had in the states and discussions I had with concerned relatives groups that were acting very actively against our Organisation. He told me that he was very worried about the visit of the Congressman Leo Ryan to Jonestown. Jim and I with some of the other top people both men and women had a discussion on the subject and it was decided to allow him to enter Jonestown after much discussion. Before the visit of Congressman Leo Ryan, Jim Jones asked the people at Jonestown not to make any complaints to him because the concerned relatives group in California were actively working against our Organisation. On Friday 17th November, 1978, about 5.30 p.m., I was at Jonestown when Congressman Leo Ryan, two attorney, one Secretary came in to Jonestown by means of a truck sent for them by Jim Jones. When the Congressman and party came in they were greeted by several people, not Jim Jones because I understood he was in bed sick. [redacted] them. Later Jim Jones came up and joined us and he spoke to the Congressman who asked him if he would allow some relatives of the people and the newsmen to come into Jonestown. Jones I understood, finally agreed to allow everybody to come in to Jonestown. There was nothing unusual on that Friday night. The Congressman slept at the guest college with his aides and the Attorneys. The relatives and the newsmen slept at Port Kaituma. About 10.30 or 11.00 a.m., I saw the Congressman talking to different people one after the other in the pavillion. At the time Jim Jones was at his house and he did not come over until about 12.m.d. I did not hear what the people were telling the Congressman. About 1.00 p.m., the [redacted] family decided to leave Jonestown for America. A little later the [redacted] family decided to leave Jonestown. [redacted] and [redacted] also decided to leave. I saw Jim Jones talking to them, but did not hear what he was telling them. Suddenly the rain started to fall so they could not leave the same time. It was during this period that Larry Layton also came up and said that he wanted to go. About 3.30 p.m., whilst the Congressman was still in the pavillion in conversation with [redacted] Charles Gary and [redacted] I saw Don Sly b6 b7C coming up and he asked who was this man I was talking to. I told him Congressman Ryan. I saw Sly held on to Ryan suddenly in a hugging manner and attempted to pull him down. [redacted] on to Sly, Charles Gary and [redacted] also held on to him and after a while separated them. A crowd suddenly gathered and everybody was helping to get off Sly from the Congressman. Sly got his hand out but I could say and said that it was a terrible incident and I heard him telling the Congressman, the newsmen, the person who said that they were going back to the states, and the Secretary of the Congressman, all boarded a truck and they left for the airstrip. I did not go to the Airstrip with them. Someone then got on the loud speaker. I think it was Marcelene Jones wife of Jim Jones and she told the people to go back to the College and rest as everything will be alright. Jim Jones, [redacted] Charles Gary and about fifteen others just sat around in the pavillion talking about the attack on the Congressman's life. I did not hear Jim Jones gave an instruction to anyone to go to the airstrip and kill the Congressman. I heard Jim Jones saying that he knows something is going to happen and kept repeating that a few times. At that point of time I left and went to my college to see my wife and child. I did not see [redacted] at that time anywhere. I spoke to my wife and played with my boy. I suddenly heard someone saying over the loud speaker that everybody must report to the pavillion. ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ I did not recognise the voice my wife and I went to the pavillion. I did not recognise the voice. My wife and I went to the pavillion and I saw a black American woman name Shirley Smith on the stage. She was dancing and singing I am going to be a freedom

School tent next to the pavillion and started talking. I was not involved in this conversation. Marceline Jones was also in the conversation. At this point someone asked me to get Marceline Jones some water and [redacted] and went back to the stage which is about twenty yards away. Maria Katsaris said that she wants to talk to [redacted]. She also told [redacted] that she wanted to speak to him and he also came in the said room. Maria Katsaris then told [redacted] she did not say where. She asked [redacted] she told [redacted]. She asked [redacted] and she said get that also and take them to west house. [redacted]

[redacted] Carolyn Layton. Carolyn Layton sister Anne Moore asked me to ask Maria whether or not to go to the meeting. I went back towards the pavillion and I met Maria in the vicinity of Chimpanzee's cage and I asked whilst I was speaking to Maria I heard over the loudspeaker set 'suicide' I became afraid immediately. I went to the kitchen and I heard people crying. I went over to the pavillion to see what was going on and I saw my wife dying and she was holding my baby who was already dead. I saw several on the ground dead and persons were crying. I went down and told my wife on the ground I love her but she did not answer me. The place was now in a state of confusion. I did not see Jim Jones because I also was in a similar state. I did not see how the poison was administered but I saw the people lining up behind the pavillion. I did not look for any guards. At that point I made up my mind to escape. I went back to West house and there I [redacted]

[redacted] The three ran out of the settlement into the fields [redacted]

[redacted] and it was going to be trouble. [redacted]

[redacted] about the money. [redacted]

money and they found it. On Monday 30.11.78 I went back to Jonestown with the Police to identify the bodies. I identified several bodies. I saw about four hundred dead bodies. I did not go to where my wife was. On today date I was brought to Georgetown and I made this statement. I was later told that Leo Ryan the reporters and a few other persons were killed.

Sd.,

I hereby certify that this statement was taken by me the undersigned from [redacted] C.I.D. Headquarters. It was read over to him who said it is true and correct and signed his name to it in my presence.

Sd., Cde [redacted]

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[redacted] years states:

I am a citizen of the United States of America.

I used to live at [redacted] California, U.S.A.

[redacted] U.S.A. His name is

[redacted]. He resides alone. My mother is dead. I am a member of the Peoples' Temple for the past five years. I came to Guyana on the 23rd September, 1977 and was stopping at the Peoples' Temple at [redacted]

[redacted] I spent about nine months in Jonestown and about [redacted]. It was done at

intervals. I am a [redacted] and that is the work I was doing at the Peoples' Temple in Guyana or working in the fields at Jonestown, North West District. James Warren Jones was the Bishop or Pastor as he had wanted us to call him. He tried to implied to the citizen of Jonestown that he was Jesus even though I did not hear him said that he was Jesus Christ. The things he said want me to believe that is what he was saying. At Jonestown he wanted you to admit that persons of one sex is attracted to his own sex a sort of home sexual affair. This had to be done in public before the entire settlement. He even give lecture to the settlers about how men would prefer to be with men and women prefer to be with women. I had cause to sign a form rejecting the visit of Congressman Ryan but I did not read the words that were typed at the top of the form. I signed the form because I know that if I did not signed same they would have called out my name in public and asked to sign and if refused would be punished by putting to work harder. I never received order before (Public). There were threats at Jonestown before when people claimed that they were going to commit suicide. That was when Debbie Blake nee Laton sister of Larry Laton went away to the United States with some of the temple money. It was being said that when she arrived at the States she would tell a lot of lies about the place and that would tear up the entire organisation. After a long time Jim Jones said that he don't think they would have to do it anymore. However I heard Jim said that Debbie went over to the States and told a lot of lies. The Peoples' Temple at Jonestown. These three were capable to make contact with the United States and Georgetown. They were also another set that could have caught Georgetown and several others that were out of order and others that were not working. They also had three sets that could have contacted the States and Jonestown at the Peoples' Temple at Dennis Street, Campbellville. Only one they were using at the time. The sets were used to relay information at different location, speaking to relatives etc. They also have radio on 'Cudjoe' and 'Albatros' a trawler and a boat that the Temple had in the area. I know that they had a meeting at which they said that they don't want Ryan at Jonestown but I was not at the meeting because I was required to work the said. Jim Jones said that he would not let Ryan into Jonestown unless he has words from

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Charles Garry and [redacted] for the Peoples' Temple. However up to Friday 17th November, 1978 everything looked O.K. I recall on the said day while I was at Jonestown they call all person up to circle the camp, like a banner guarding the area. Old persons were not allowed to do this and the children and the babies were placed under the dining area. I don't know what he said to the people but they break up and told to go home and put on some nice clothes for Congressman Ryan would be there. This was about 1.00 - 2.00p.m. in the evening. I would also like to say that [redacted] Name Joycelyn Carter and a small girl name Kaywana. [redacted] and they were all dead. They were not shot. They were poisoned I don't know if they drank poison or it was administered on them. About 4.00p.m. to 5.00p.m. on 17.11.78 Ryan and party arrived at Jonestown. The entire settlement had supper. I know Ryan and party was at the dinner table eating. All persons were eating the same food but that was only for this occasion for guest usually have better food. They had a show dancing and I have the feeling that it ended at about 11.00p.m. the said night. Before the show was over Ryan had been speaking to several persons whom he requested to speak to and this was granted to him. I saw him spoke to [redacted] and I heard him speak to other persons. They were news men and some relatives who came to Jonestown with the Ryan party. They came in about 7.00 p.m. the said night. About 12.00 midnight the entire party left for Port Kaituma. The following day Saturday 18th November, 1978 Congressman Ryan and party returned to Jonestown. I now say Congressman Ryan and his aid slept in Jonestown. The newsman and relatives slept at Port Kaituma. The following morning they returned to Jonestown. However about 7.30a.m. and 8.00a.m. Congressman Ryan and his aid ate breakfast and started to speak to people again. It was about 10.00a.m. the relatives and news people came in. Ryan was talking to people while newsmen were taking pictures etc. About 2.30p.m. Penny Klass who is now dead by Poison came up to the radio room and said that Parks wanted to leave with Congressman Ryan. I then said that I figured that some people would want to leave, because every body did not like that kind of living. She left, shortly after I saw Bishop Jones went to where the Congressman and party was and they started to talk. All the [redacted] family was over there. After that Mr. Dick Dwyer of the U.S. Embassy in Guyana came to the radio room and asked me to radio Georgetown and let them make arrangements for another plane to be up there because six more people wanted to leave the Jonestown. He did not give me the names of the persons. Dick radio Georgetown. About 3.00p.m. Dick came back And said that now is nine persons. He again made contact with Georgetown. The person operating the set in Georgetown was Sharon Amos. She relay a message that [redacted] the U.S. Council had found a five seat plane to help bring out people and so after that all kinds of people were in the pavillion and the after it was stop raining they started to leave on a truck. Dick Dwyer again came back to the radio room and relate to [redacted] that 12 more would be coming and congressman Ryan would be staying at Jonestown along with himself. The settlers

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watch them get on to the truck. I don't know where Rev. Jones was at the time. I heard the truck came up and R v. Jones came walking up the path way with about one hundred or two hundred people. At the said time I heard a commotion on the pavillion and in the compound everybody was trying to see what was going on. Shortly after someone asked for a bulldozer over a public address system for the truck was stuck and it needed a bulldozer. Then Penny Kerns came up to me and said Ujara Sly Legal name Donald Slay try to stab Congressman Ryan. He said that he was O.K. but she cannot believe it. Shortly after 5 minutes someone said over the public address system that "every one please go home and relax". The person was Marciline Jones. She is dead. Then Marie Katson the Personal Secretary or aid to Jim Jones told [redacted] the radio so that they would transmit and tell Georgetown is power problems. [redacted]

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[redacted] At this time Jim Jones was meeting the two attorney and most of the top aids in the camp. I ran out for a breath of air and I saw [redacted] and we started to talk what was happening. Shortly after [redacted] came up and told [redacted] to get dressed and take a package some place. Same time Lu made an announcement for everyone to come to the pavillion over the public address system. [redacted] and at the time I figured that they would be talking about suicide if not then soon after. I walked away by the pavillion to go to Jim Jones House to reach Marie when I saw people started to go to the pavillion. I went up to the house and I saw Mike Prokes was sitting on the step in front of the house with a suitcase and I walked up and at the same time Marie came out of the house. I saw [redacted] came up with a jug with water [redacted] took off back of the compound. She said good luck and [redacted]

[redacted] While we were going we saw an empty tractor and trailer coming going towards Jonestown. Only the driver inside. It could have been that they had other persons in the trailer. We hid from the trailer.

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empty. By this time it was dark and we went on our way. We finally reached to the front gate of Jonestown and no one was at the gate. We decided to keep off the road because Marie told us that they would go after Congressman Ryan and so we feared our lives. So we went to the said road track and went towards Kattuma. We rested for quite a while. This was about 9.30p.m. on 18.11.78. We then decided to go to Cajoe to see who was on the boat and whether they heard what was going on at Kaituma. About 12.00a.m. we were at Kaituma

going towards the "Cudjoe" when the police picked us up. I now recall that Marie had given [redacted]

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[redacted] We started to ask questions and the police told us that they had mass suicide at Jonestown. We were taken down to Cassava mill where we were promised protection.

Y sterday 20.11.78 I went back to Jonestown with [redacted] a Police Officer and I showed [redacted] and I identify some of the dead persons to him. I could not have stand the scent and scene of the area. People x whom I had spoken to a few days ago. I now recall that Mari had given [redacted]

[redacted] The Police took it away.

Sgd. [redacted]

This statement was taken by me on 21.11.78 between 5.00 and 7.00 p.m. at C.I.D. [redacted] was read over to him. He said that it was true and correct and signed his name to it in my presence.

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