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1. EMBASSY HAS NOW OBTAINED COPY OF THE WRITTEN CONFESSION OF MR. LARRY LAYTON WITH REGARD TO THE NOVEMBER 18, 1978 MURDERS OF CONGRESSMAN LEO RYAN AND OTHERS AT PORT KAITUMA, GUYANA, AS INDICATED REF (A), AS GIVEN TO THE GUYANESE POLICE IN GEORGETOWN ON NOVEMBER 22, 1978. LAYTON APPARENTLY ALSO MADE A VERBAL CONFESSION WHILE IN POLICE CUSTODY IN PORT KAITUMA. EMBASSY HAS REQUESTED, ANGAIN, A COPY OF THE POLICE OFFICER'S ST ATEMENT REGARDING THIS ORAL CONFESSION, WHICH WILL BE TRANSMITTED AS SOON AS RECEIVED.

2. BEGIN TEXT OF WRITTEN CONFESSION: 20/12/78 COMM: 10.30 A.M. ENDED: 11.00 A.M. GUYANA POLICE FORCE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPT. POLICE 22.11.78 STATEMENT OF LARRY J. LANTON HEADQUARTERS. OF CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES. YOU ARE NOT OBLIGED

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TO SAY ANYTHING UNLESS YOU WISH TO DO SO BUT WHAT YOU SAY MAY BE PUT INTO WRITING AND GIVEN IN EVID-ENCE. D/A. S.P. (SGD.) LARRY J. LAYTON I LARRY LAYTON, WISH TO MAKE A STATEMENT. I WANT SOME ONE TO WRITE DOWN WHAT I SAY. I HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT I NEED NOT SAY ANTHING UNLESS I WISH TO DO SO AND THAT WHATEVER I SAY MAY BE GIVEN IN EVIDENCE. D/A.S.P. (SGD.) LARRY J. LAYTON I MAKE THIS STATEMENT OF MY OWN FREE WILL. I HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT I NEED NOT SAY ANYTHING UNLESS I WISH TO DO SO AND THAT WHATEVER I SAY MAY BE GIVEN IN EVIDENCE.

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, A I LARRY LAYTON TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL THE DEATHS AND INJURIES THAT TOOK PLACE AT THE PORT KAITUMA AIRSTRIP. I HAD BEGGED THE BISHOP JIM JONES THAT I BE ALLOWED TO BRING DOWN THE PLANE BUT HE DISAPPROVED, MY REASON FOR SUPPORTING THIS WAS BECAUSE I FELT THAT THOSE PEOPLE WERE WORKING IN CONJUNCTION WITH C. I.A. TO SMEAR THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE AND TO SMEAR GUYANA. I GOT A A GUN FROM A FRIEND OF MINE AND I WENT TO THE AIRPORT INTENDING TO BRING DOWN THE PLANE, BUT WHEN THE SHOOTING STARTED, I ALSO STARTED SHOOTING AS I THOUGH IT WAS ALL TOO LATE. I DON . KNOM MHA I DID IT . /-.S.P. L.J. LAYTON I HAVE READ THE ABOVE STATEMENT. I HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT I CAN ADD, ALTER OR CORRECT ANYTHING I WISH. THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE I HAVE MADE IT ON MY OWN FREE WILL.

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/A/S/P LARRY J. LAYTON

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ME BETWEEN 10:30 A.M. AND 11. A.M. ON 22/11/78

AT CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT, POLICE HEADQUARTERS, SAME WAS READ OVER TO AND

BY LARRY LAYTON WHO SAID IT IS TRUE AND CORRECT

AND SIGNED HIS NAME TO IT IN MY PRESENCE AND THAT

OF DET. ASSI.

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