GOVERNMENT INTRUSION

- I. CUSTOMS AGENTS BREAK INTO PEOPLES TEMPLE SHIPPING CRATES IN MIAMI, FLORIDA
- II. SOCIAL SECURITY (SSA) CHECKS ARE DELIBERATELY WITHHELD FROM LEGITIMATE RECIPIENTS IN GUYANA, SOUTH AMERICA
- III. INTERPOL REPORT SURFACES STATING FALSE ALLECATIONS
 ABOUT THE TEMPLE AND REV. JONES; MANY OF THESE
 IDENTICAL IN CONTENT TO FALSE ALLEGATIONS THAT WERE
 CIRCULATED IN THE NEWS MEDIA.
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COVERNMENT INTRUSION

Despite the denial of the Treasury and related agencies of any investigation into the activities of Peoples Temple, several incidents have taken place that indicate the contrary is true. Each event has represented an invasion of our Constitutional rights as a religious organization.

September 29, 1977, we learned from our freight forwarder in Miami, Florida, that agents of the U.S. Customs Service had held up our cargo shipment to the Agricultural and Medical Project in Guyana. Seven Customs agents pulled a crate at random and inspected its contents. Our attorney, Charles Garry, wrote a letter to the Customs Service (Department of the Treasury) demanding an explanation, or at least a statement of fair cause for this act of search and seizure. The response from the Treasury Department was simply that they were exempt from disclosure and it was a routine procedure. Our freight forwarder, however, confirmed that these were "not our regular Customs agents I see around here Some of them were from the West Coast."

Shortly thereafter a mail package containing important documents and church-related business arrived in San Francisco from Guyana. The package had been opened, tampered with, and completely ruined. A substance the color and scent of wine had been poured or spilled over all the papers, which included important affidavits and legal papers that had to be done all over again. A letter requesting an explanation was sent to the Postmaster of San Francisco. The cause has never been determined.

A major intrusion was the blatant interference by government bodies with the Social Security checks of hundreds of senior citizens, members of Peoples Temple who are residing in Guyana at the Temple Agricultural and Medical Cooperative. We received word from a confidential source that the message was being circulated in San Francisco Post Office branches that any SSA (Social Security) checks which have a forwarding order to Guyana should be returned to the Social Security Administration (Department of H.E.W.). All members of our church who have taken up residence in Guyana and who are eligible to receive Social Security benefits, have filed SSA Forms \$21 declaring their intention to live outside the territorial limits of the United States. By law, Social Security checks are to be sent to the recipient, no matter where (with the exception of a few socialist countries) the recipient chooses to live. U.S. citizens in Guyana are entitled to SSA benefits.

We sent letters of inquiry to Congressman Phillip Burton and letters of protest to the local post master. All responses we have received have denied or skirted the real issue. In the meantime, we received a copy of the actual memorandum which was circulated throughout local Post Office branches ORDERING THE RETURN OF ALL SSI (GOLD) ND SSA (GREEN SOCIAL SECURITY CHECKS) TO H.E.W. WHERE THE POST OFFICE HAS A FORWARDING ORDER FOR GUYANA. THE ILLEGALITY OF THIS ORDER IS CLEAR. It was not until a letter directed to President Carter, accompanied by letters of protest to various government departments and street demonstrations by Temple members and supporters, was answered in the January 12, 1978 letter from the Department of H.E.W. that the situation was rectified. No response from the government, however, has fully acknowledged that there was deliberate obstruction of the Social Security checks.

In July, 1978, two Temple members learned from a Post Office employee

at the branch where church mail is handled that our organisation had been under intensive investigation and all our mail processed for a period of several months. Their affidavit is included in this section.

Another area of governmental intrusion came to light in October, 1977, when a report was received by Temple members that a confidential memo emanating from INTERPOL agent Louis Sims in Washington, D.C. documented a meeting that had taken place between INTERPOL agent who was unnamed, and thirteen former members of Peoples Temple. It is interesting to note, too, that investigator Joseph Mazor may have connections to the INTERPOL organization. The stories which were circulated by INTERPOL about Peoples Temple and Rev. Jones were erroneous and on basis of erroneous information called for: "more observers and Immigration to watch for traffic, to investigate, and to establish more outposts to observe" particularly Temple shipping operations and travel.

Finally, in a chronicle of governmental harassments, Peoples
Temple radio communications have Neen, on repeated occasions, jammed
and obstructed. The letter from attorney Marshall Bentzman to

Jeff Young, of the Federal Communications Commission, documents the
kinds of harassments we have endured We are currently corresponding
with the F.C.C. under Freedom of Information Act to obtain letters on
file from Senator Barry Goldwater pertaining to Peoples Temple radio
communications. In conversations with the F.C.C. Mr. Bentzman léarned
that Senator Goldwater had made inquiries.



OF THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST Jim Jones, **Pastor**

November 21, 1977

For I was an Ausgard and ye got me metal:

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Amendment of the state of the s As you are no doubt aware, our church maintains a

Not long ago an incident took place which, I believe, And goir that briance and long ago an incident took place which, I believe Parsial that strange should be brought to your attention. A large packet of And test that and papers, representing hard to duplicate legal work and Ormain and that sink personal correspondence between loved ones on two continuous at the sink? ents, was sent to us from Guyana. When it arrived at our post office box at Station A, it had been cut open and ily lay wide you the contents had not only been rifled, but were drenched converte y hardwar! with wine as well. Almost everything inside was beyond this confine the content of the last all. The ink was literally washed the content of the legal documents and a lot of the letters. Manhor 25:35:40 How army minor of Table 1

.How any piece of mail could receive such treatment in the Postal Service, let alone one filled with such important documents, is impossible to explain as an accident--and demands explanation. The way this packet was cut open and the contents so thoroughly doused leaves no doubt that it was a deliberate act and that it happened here in San Francisco.

Rest assured that this infraction has not gone unnoticed. That so much critical legal work should have to be redone is an outrage in itself, not to mention the invasion of privacy we have suffered.

What is going on here, Mr. Lee? We want an explana-

Very truly yours,

U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE

State of California)
City and County of) ss.
San Francisco,)

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The undersigned, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

My name is James R. Randolph. I am 37 years old and I live in the city of San Francisco.

I telephoned Mr. Frank Garmendia this morning, September 29, 1977, at a few minutes till 8:90 am. (I know the time because I was watching it to be sure to get the lower long distance rate.) Mr. Garmendia is a freight forwarder for SOPAC Transport Corp. in Miami, Florida, the intermediary who receives and reroutes our ocean freight bound for Guyana, South America.

Some of the details are as follows:

Mr. Garmendia said "I didn't want to bother you with it before, but now that it is over, I can tell you. Seven Customs men held up the cargo (referring to our last shipment which sailed, I believe, August 29, 1977.) They pulled one case at random and checked the contents of it. "This occured right about the time scheduled for the cargo so be loaded. I believe inspection took place on the dock rather than at the warehouse.

I asked if this was standard procedure and he replied that it is not. He went on to state that some of them were from the West Coast. When I asked if he said they were from the West Coast, he said, ""Well, from out of town. They were not the regular Customs men I see around here. They wore civilian clothes and had Customs Agents' identification."

By way of explanation he said someone may have given them the idea that there were arms or drugs in our shipment and once they have been given such a report they are obliged to check it out. He went on to explain that as Coustoms officials they have the authority to open and inspect any part of a shipment.

He said they got a copy of the Bill of Lading (actually a packing list, much briefer than a Bill of Lading) and compared it against the contents of the crate they opened, but that they didn't find what they were looking for. I am not clear as to whether they got it from him or from someone else in his office. He said they told him "upstairs" (referring to his superiors) "Don't bother them. They're Customs." He said they

were done in a few hours and didn't actually hold up shipment.

Mr. Garmendia also said big companies have big shipments in and out all the time and it would be possible for someone to put something in a shipment and get it out again at its destination withour the company knowing about it, implying that could happen with our cargo and could thus have caused a report to be made to Customs.

When he mendioned the charge might have been made that we are shipping arms. I told him we would be the last people in the world to ship such things.

Dated this 29th day of September, 1977, at San Francisco, Calif.

ames R. Randolfh

ROOSEVELT CARRIE

MOTARY PUBLIC CALIFORNIA

CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO SON EXOMES ADIS 10, 1979

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OF COUNTEL HOMALD L. A. RENSON October 3, 1977

United States Customs Service District Office 555 Battery Street San Francisco, CA.

Attention: District Director

Re.: Peoples Temple Shipment to Peoples Temple Agricultural Mission Georgetown, Guyana

Dear District Director:

On August 29, 1977, my client had a large shipment to Georgetown, Guyana, South America. The shipment was a freight forwarded to SOPAC Transport Corporation in Miami, Florida.

On information directed to us stated that seven customs men held up the cargo and examined the contents of some of the shipments.

I have been asked by my clients to inquire upon what information was this cargo examined and what prompted it. We are very much interested in determining who and by whom we are being maligned. I am sure that your service would not take the time of seven men unless some form of prior information was forwarded to you. I think since the matter concerns my clients that we should be privy to that.

My clients wish to inform you and to the service generally and specifically that they do not in any way intend to, nor have they in the past ever violated any of the customs laws of the United States or for that matter of any country. Please let me hear from you regarding this matter that is disturbing to my clients.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES P. GARRY



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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE

SAN FRANCISCO, CA

OCT 20 1977

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Charles R. Garry, Esq. Law Offices of Garry, Dreyfus, McTerman, Brotsky, Herndon & Pesonen, Inc. 1256 Market Street San Francisco, California 94102

Re: Peoples Temple

Dear Mr. Garry:

Your letter dated October 3, 1977, to the District Director of Customs requested information concerning a Customs examination at Miami of a shipment sent by the Peoples Temple to Guyana, South America.

As you may be aware, the Customs Service does administer export control regulations of the Department of Commerce as well as other regulations involving exports from the United States to foreign territories. Therefore, examinations of export shipments are conducted on a routine basis, whether or not any specific information has been received concerning a shipment.

In any event, any information which might have prompted an examination would be of the type which would be exempt from disclosure, including disclosure to your clients.

We appreciate your concern and hope that this letter clarifies for you and your clients the role of Customs in conducting export examinations.

Sincerely yours,

Robert N. Battard Regional Commissioner

TY TO REGIONAL COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS, SUITE 1000, 211 MAIN STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CA. 4418

U.S. DEPARTMENT H.E.W.

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This is to advice you that the Department of H.E.W. (Social Security Administration) has instructed us to return all SSI (Gold checks), and Social Security checks (Green) to then where we have a forwarding owner for Daylora.

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State of California) ss City and County of San Francisco)

Tom Adams and Hattie Newell, being duly sworn, hereby depose and say: $\underline{}$

On July 18, 1978 around 1:30 p.m. we went to the Station A branch of the U.S. post office, located at Steiner Street off Geary Blvd. in San Francisco, California.

We talked with Mrs. Evelyn Cameron, a postal clerk the station. When we identified ourselves as members of Peo; is Temple, she told us "you guys (meaning Peoples Temple) were investigated by every agency that was," naming the Department of Health, Education and Welfare; the California Department of Motor Vehicles; the Sonoma County Postal Inspector, and others. She explained that when she came to that branch in October 1977 to begin work, he supervisor mapped out "a whole special procedure" required in handling Peoples Temple mail. She told us that at that time she complained to the supervisor that this wasn't right. She said she was from New York and she believes in privacy, and that people's business is their own. She had wanted to transfer mail from certain post office boxes at the station which she knew were inactive and formerly rented by Peoples Temple members (P.O. Box 15384, in the name of Maria Katsaris and also used by Rev. Jim Jones and Mrs. Marceline Jones; and P.O. Box 15247, used by Mary Black), to an active Peoples Temple post office box, so that the Temple members would continue to receive their mail that had been directed to the formerly active boxes. Her supervisor, she said, prohibited her from doing so, telling her that it was against regulations, that regulations would not allow transferring mail from one post office box to another because the mail recipient might not want his or her name traced. Mrs. Cameron in this instance was speaking specifically of mail that came addressed to Rev. Jim Jones, Mrs. Marceline Jones, Peoples Temple Christian Church, Maria Katsaris (then church financial secretary), and a church member by the name of Mary Black. Mrs. Cameron told us that she complained to the supervisor about the procedure at the time because she did not like returning all the mail which was intended for the church and its pastor. She told us that it is the duty and trust of the U.S. government to keep people's business off

She said that when she first came to work there in October 1977, the California Department of Motor Vehicles had been investigating Peoples Temple, because it was said many different people were transferring their cars into Eugene B. Chaikin's name.

If a person handled a certain number of cars per month, it was her understanding, he would be required by law to have a dealership license. She also told us that the Department of Health. Education and Welfare had directed the employees at Station A not to send any H.E.W. checks which were to be forwarded to Guyana, South America, but to return them to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Executed this $\underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ day of July, 1978 at San Francisco, California.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public in and for said State.

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My Committee Engine May 14, 1979



PEOPLES TEMPLE

of the disciples of christ Jim Jones,
Pastor

October 15, 1977

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Congressman Phillip Burton House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear Congressman Burton:

As a member of Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ and of the governing board of the church, I am directing this correspondence to you as a result of a most disquieting rumor passed to me by a reliable source.

Several years ago our church established an agricultural mission in Guyana, South America. Since that time it has become the kind of residential community that senior citizens can enjoy as well as younger, more active participants. Over the past months, many members have elected to go there, including a number of seniors looking forward to a unique but comfortable retirement. To that end, those who received Social Security checks (green checks) submitted the required paperwork, as advised by the Social Security Administration, to have their income transferred to their new address. They submitted postal change-of-address cards to have their interim checks forwarded, as we were assured by postal employees they would be. As a matter of fact, postal change-of-address cards have been submitted a second time for all SSA recipients now overseas. For most of the recipients, this is the sole source of income available to them. Obviously, it is extremely important to them that their checks be re-routed properly.

Most have not received their checks since going over, although they should have received one, two, and in some cases even three checks by now. Rumor has it that the Post Office has determined not to forward these checks, but rather to return them to the Social Security Administration.

Social Security, as you must be aware, is income based on previous earning and is the undeniable right of these senior citizens to receive. Another fact which you may or may not be aware of: Social Security checks, when returned for want of a current address, go into "suspense"—a category used by SSA to designate problems. Instead of simple correcting the address, SSA sends the entire file of such an individual to the Division of Inter-

national Operations in Baltimore, Maryland, when it discovers that the current address is now an overseas address. Unfortunately, that office is notoriously slow in processing even routine matters, resulting in payments being delayed as long as a year or more. All this can be avoided, of course, by re-routing checks to the overseas address to begin with.

Our attorney, Charles Garry, asked that a letter explaining the situation be sent to you, asking you to please inquire into this problem and let us know exactly what is obstructing these checks that are rightfully the property of the respective senior citizens. At his request, also, I have sent a letter to Mr. Lim P. Lee, Postmaster of the San Francisco Post Office, with whom you should have a very direct line of communication. At your earliest convenience, please inform us as to the nature of corrective action that will be undertaken.

Very truly yours, June B. Crym

c/o Peoples Temple

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cc: Charles Garry, Attorney

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SPECIAL STREET,
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Francisco, California 9410g
Francisco, 415-356-4862

Congress of the United States House of Representatives

October 25, 1977

Ms. June B. Crym c/o PEOPLES TEMPLE 1859 Geary St. San Francisco, Ca.

Dear Ms. Crym:

I am in receipt of your recent letter regarding the nondelivery of Social Security checks to members of People's Temple in Guyana, South America.

Washington, D.C. 20315

In order to be of assistance to you in this matter I have contacted the Postal Service and the Social Security Administration.

I will be in immediate contact with you upon hearing from these agencies. $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) ^{2}$

Kindest personal regards.

MILLIP BURTON

Member of Congress

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UNITED STATES POST OFFICE

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DATE: November 16, 1977

SUBJECT.

Postal Service

Ms. June B. Crym c/o Peoples Temple P. O. Box 15023 San Francisco, CA 94115

Dear Ms. Crym:

This will acknowledge your October letter concerning social socurity checks for individuals now residing in Guyana, South America.

As has been previously explained to you the Postal Service forwards all first class letter mail received if an addressee submits an official change order and the sender makes no stipulation regarding forwarding. This applies whether the addressee has moved within the Continental United States or outside the limits of the United States. However, we have been advised by the Social Security Office that the social security (green) checks may be forwarded outside the United States only if a notice from the beneficiary regarding his or her intent to live elsewhere, for internal administrative purposes, is furnished that office. Should you require additional information in this regard I suggest that Kr. J. Leland Embrey, District Manager of the Social Security Office be contacted. His telephone number is 556-6471.

I appreciate the opportunity to clarify this matter.

Sincerely yours, La

Lim P. Lee JT

Sectional Center Hanager-Postmaster

San Francisco, CA 94101

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I thought you might be interested in the enclosed.

Sincerely,

PHILLIP BURTON Member of Congress



OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER GENERAL Washington, D.C. 20260

November 16, 1977

Honorable Phillip Burton House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Congressman Burton:

This is in response to your recent inquiry on behalf of Ms. June B. Crym of Baltimore, concerning the forwarding of Social Security checks for residents of an Agricultural Eission in Guyana, South America.

Local postmasters are only required to maintain customer change of address orders for a period of one year. Past experience has shown that problems in administration and paperwork management become critical when such records are maintained for periods in excess of one year. In addition, one year is generally a sufficient period of time for our customers to notify their correspondents of address changes.

In view of that fact that Ms. Crym did not furnish the names of the recipients involved, it is impossible for this office to be of assistance in this matter. However, we have asked the Postmaster at Baltimore to investigate this matter and to contact Ms. Crym.

Sincerely yours,

Glenn A. Metzdorf

General Manager - Administration Government Relations Department



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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION - BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21225

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JAN 12 1978

Ms. Laurie Efrein Administrative Assistant Peoples Temple P.O. Box 15023 San Francisco, California 94115

Dear Ms. Efrein:

Thank you for your letter to President Carter.

You are correct in stating that entitlement to social security benefits is an earned right and that U.S. citizens are entitled to receive there benefits anywhere in the world except Estonia, Eungary, Iceland, Latvia, Libya, Lithuania, New Zealand, Romania, Uruguay, USSR, and Zambia.

It is also correct that in late 1977 social security benefits were interrupted for persons moving to Guyana. This was due to misintepretation of postal regulations and has subsequently been corrected.

There are presently 112 social security beneficiaries in Guyana receiving total social security benefits of \$21, 946 monthly.

The Postal Service memo which you refer to did state that neither social security checks nor Federal supplemental security income (SSI) payments were to be forwarded to Guyana. This memo was issued due to misinterpretation of the Social Security Act by postal officials. The memo has been rescinded and replaced by a memo which allows social security benefits to be forwarded to Guyana and only prohibits the forwarding of SSI payments.

While social security benefits are an earned right for which persons have worked, SSI payments are not. Federal SSI payments are public assistance payments and Section 1611(f) of the Social Security Act prohibits the sending of there

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payments to any person who is not physically residing in the contential U.S., Alaska, or Hawaii. Residents of foreign countries including U.S. territories such as Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands, are not entitled to SSI payments.

Any persons who reside in Guyana and fail to receive social security benefit checks are to contact the U.S. consulate in Georgetown for assistance in having the checks resumed.

Persons residing in Guyana who were entitled to Federal SSI payments before leaving the U.S. may contact their local social security office and re-establish entitlement to there payments after they have been back in the U.S. for at least 30 consecutive days.

Sincerely yours.

Thomas C. Parrott Associate Commissioner for External Affairs

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CONSUMER ADVOCATE
Washington, DC 20260

December 27, 1977

Dear Ms. Efrein:

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This is in response to Postmaster General Benjamin F. Bailar's copy of your letter dated December 16, 1977 to the President.

As you may know, the Department of Health, Education, and Melfare has recently clarified the procedures for forwarding checks to addressees in Guyana. The post office has been instructed to forward green checks to addressees who have a valid change of address order on file; however, gold checks may not be forwarded. For further information, we suggest you contact Mr. J. Leland Embry, District Manager, Social Security Administration, Department of Health, Education, and Nelfare, 303 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102

Thank you for taking the time to write.

John Dials

Consumer Affairs Manager

(202) 245-4531

Ms. Laurie Efrein Administrative Assistant Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ P. O. Box 15023 San Francisco, CA 94115

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January 3, 1978

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Ms. Laurie Efrein P.O. Pox 15023 San Francisco, California 94115

Dear Ms. Efrein: -

Thank you for your letter to President Carter.

We are giving your letter attention and will be in touch with you again as soon as possible,

Sincerely yours,

Don I. Wortman Acting Commissioner of Social Security

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION BALTIMORE MARYLAND 21285

Refer to: IEA-2-4 JAN 5 1978

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

Mr. Joseph E. Hall President San Francisco Branch NAACP 2035 Sutter Street, Suite 211 San Francisco, California 94115

Dear Mr. Hall:

Secretary Califano has asked me to thank you for your inquiry and to reply to it since it concerns the social security program.

I am asking the appropriate officials in our Division of International Operations to look into the situation you described in your letter and to respond directly to you. You should hear from that office soon.

Sincerely yours,

Acting Commissioner of Social Security



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'Mr. Joseph E. Hall
President
San Francisco Branch NAACP
2085 Sutter Street, Suite 2]1
San Francisco, California 94115

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Doar Mr. Hall:

This is in reply to your letter to Secretary Califano regarding the problem certain members of the Peoples Terple Christian Church are encountering in receiving their checks when they move to Guyana, South America.

We are pleased to confirm that all beneficiaries living in Cayana, including those who are merkers of the above Church, are receiving their checks regularly. It is to be roted however, that individuals who may have been receiving supplemental security income while in the United States would have those benefits automatically territated when they move outside the country. Supplemental benefits are only paid to persons living inside the United States.

We suggest, should any beneficiary in Guyana have any problem pertaining to their benefits, that they contact the American Embassy in Georgetown, Guyana. The people there will be glad to assist in any way they can.

Sincerely yours,

Ted D. Girdner
Director, Division of
International Operations

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION BALTIMORE, MARYLAND SIZES

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Hr. Harvey Milk Supervisor District 5 City Hall San Francisco, California 94102

Dear Mr. Hilk:

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Sincerely fours,

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

BALTMORE, MARYLAND 21203, U.S.A.

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JAN 25 1978

BUREAU OF RETIREMENT AND SURVIVORS INSURANCE

Reverend William D. Persell St. John's Episcopal Church 514 West Adams Boulevard Los Angeles, California 90007

Dear Reverend Persell:

This is in reply to your inquiry dated December 27, 1977, concerning the People's Temple Agricultural Mission in Guyana. Secretary Califano referred your letter to this office because we are responsible for administration of the social security program for beneficiaries outside the United States.

There are no restrictions on the payment of social security benefits to otherwise qualified residents of Guyana. As of December 3, 1977, there were 117 beneficiaries in Guyana receiving social security checks in the total amount of \$22,588.20 a month.

If any beneficiary in Guyana fails to receive his or her social security check, prompt inquiry should be made at the American Embassy in Georgetown, Guyana. The Embassy will determine whether a social security check was mailed to the individual. If the check was lost or stolen in the mail, a signed statement of nonreceipt will be forwarded to the Treasury Department and will result in the issuance of a replacement check. If no check was issued to the individual, the Embassy will request an investigation by the Social Security Administration. It is always necessary to have the beneficiary's social security claim number to trace such matters.

We share your concern for the difficulties any beneficiaries may have in meeting basic human needs without timely social security payments.

Sincerely.

Director
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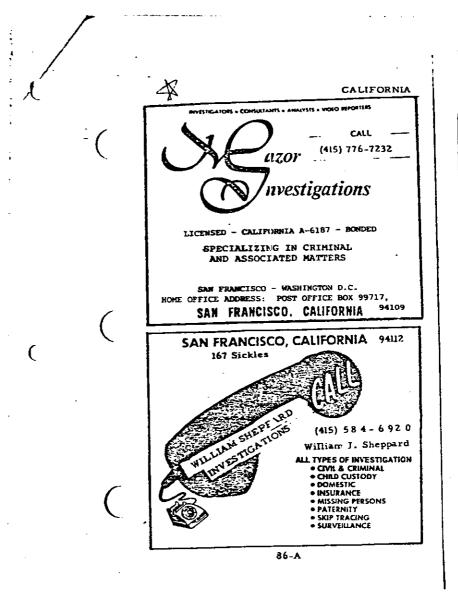
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Taking The Offensive

Peoples Temple Investigates The Investigators

As part of Peoples Temple's campaign to expose and discredit attacks upon it in recent months, the tempte is now launching a thorough investigation of persons and organizalions implicated in what Afterney Charles Garry has termed an organized orche-

prograssive church.

A recent march downlown in San Francisco featured signs that detailed the long history of persecutions the temple has suffered for its members' beliefs and actions in defense of minorities and the poor--persastrated, premeditated cam- cution ranging from arson,

electronic surveitlance, blackmail, the tampering with U.S. mail, unexplained interference by the U.S. Customs Department, and the withholding of Social Security checks from eligible recipients living in Guyana

Under special investigation by Peoples Temple is Joseph Mazor, whom the Berkeley Barb had exposed as having a long criminal record and as having hired one of the largest public relations firms in San Francisco to help him orchestrate the attacks in the media against Jim Jones and Peoples Temple. He has not revealed who has peld for such a costly enterprise, but the temple now has documented evidence that he is a member of the in national Police Congress, an adjunct to INTER-POL, the notorious Mazirine fested international criminal police organization. Remarkably, there is also documented evidence that INTERPOL has been responsible fr spreading iles about the church in other areas of the world that bear close resemblance to the media smears coording of by Mazor in the Bay Area

bombing attempts, and at- scrutiny is how an individual. Building on Fifth Street several at new developments, have tempted assassinations of the like Mazor managed to obtain a after his release from prison in article in that paper, Now these to that the facts will reach the 1976. The temple is pursuing many leads, if does not plan to stop until every phase of Mazor's operation is exposed. Another piece of evidence

exposed by the tempte in recent days is the possession of a U.S. Postal Service memo distributed to San Francisco branch post offices, directing them to return Schial Security checks to HEW when there is a forwarding address order for Guyana. Elderly and disabled residents of the temple project in Guyana, all of whom have submitted appropriate transfer documents to the Social Securily office, and who were assured of transfer with forwarding of their chacks in the interim, now face denial of benetils that they have worked for Peoples Temple strongly protests what it considers an outraceous denial of constitutional and human rights. The temple plans to pursue this matter through its legal staff and by contacting elected government officials.

Temple members have said that their determination was strengthened when the march of some 500 people in front of Another point under close the San Francisco Examiner weeks ego resulted in a report members, expressing outrage public's attention.

vowed to march and protest on group's leader. Jim Jones, to state investigator's license of only '70' pickets in an acontinuing basis if necessary,

INTERPOL Special Agent Attacks Jim Jones & Peoples Temple

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and power by the target number of years and representation in the cases in rough the Trangle rehabilitation progress.

Chris' family were members of the Tumple. His mother fixed and died in our church and was a very good women. We help the families and loved passes of members; that is our standard practice. Though Carie himself did not follow our advice, he did help get many troubled youth off drugs and we know that for a fact.

If the authors of the news article on Chris Lawis quadraded that he was a part of us, then a lot of questions should be raised. Because the night of his death a threatening phone call came to the Temple saying, "There will be more. Temple my the fint."

he more. Trought in the pass, "And it was a Trample "hodyguard" that got him shot. We don't believe this was a gangland murder. We believe the complexions are responsible—there at those who would merifica myone if it served their purpose. We had not talk to some of his friends outside the church to beep them from taking sweeps. This murder we will et forjet.

A CAMPAIGN TO DISCREDIT JIM JONES?

There is only one reason why some people would attempt to paint such twee m very our revenue way some proper would attempt to paint side in binario binage of Jim Janes in his been fone over the past months. He perm about ALL people. And he am do comothing about the plight of the paor and oppressed. Reactionary forces we trying to destroy his image location for in the most president fighter for soid lipstice. Next time you see this terribly bitarre, distorted attention—think.

For months the distortions and Hen have been hashed and relabut never a word is printed or spoken about the lives salveged and millions

of your lax dollars saved through Temple rebubilitation programs.

Perhaps some agencies joit they had to discredit Jim Jones and Peoples Fumple in order to protect the system. But when Pumple Temple enderson only to releve analoty of its many burdens, it is ridicalous that they reuse only to renove merety of its many horseen, it is risticulous that they be-port to such cruel and inhumane testion. No one the secents to be willing in help. The fact that Jam Jones was appointed to the finn Francisco Housing Commission and elected head commissioner speaks for itself. Good effi-zaem would not have pleaged him in that position if he had been the type of person the media has tried to smear in the public mind. He has nover done earthing francisher! erything fraudulent.

YOU SHOULD HELF, BECAUSE HEXT TIME IT MAY BE YOU! What follows are questes from sulfagence, position and community leaders who here seen through the lies being spread about Am Jones and have applied out on boalf of this great leader for social and racial justice. The frames of these promines of the not used here, because we do not want them to get the kind of hammanest we have suffered.

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"One gets the improviou (at Peoples Temple) of being in the midst of the human race of the best; a community of people whose primary concern in to lose and to serve... Peoples Temple is led by a man of deep integrity

UPDATE: THE LATEST FROM JONESTOWN

Charles Garry lived with us several days and nights at the Temple project in Guyans. He is a man known to speak the truth all the time—and it called Jonestown "PARADISE".

An article deted December 11, 1977, in the Guyane Chronicle, the country's leading newspaper, calls the Temple agricultural project "s lirst-cless example of community life." Written by a Dental Surgeon who steved several days at the project, the article further states: "I have never before seen so many people of varying rams working happily together, side by side, without a single spork of friction. With its own school, saw-mill, electricity, roads, houses, and so on, all being ecupulously clean, I gould not help but be impressed."

What was just a "kingle outpost" a very few years ago is now a center of productive extinity. A Guyanese official who visited recently wrote in the guest book: "This is a model community that should be emulated all over the world." We have yet to get the first criticism from any government leader or any delegation, and we have visitors from the U.S., Europe, and many South American countries all the time. Our project has been praised by government leaders throughout the world. Recent visitors have included a delegation is any the Ministry of Education and the Minister of Interior Development. The Ministry of Education delegates were thrilled with our nursery and educational programs, which include instruction in several foreign languages, corrective work for many types of learning disailities, and methematical and scientific training.

The medical department is appeldered by many to be the most unique of its kind for this type of community. The staff includes a medical doctor, a pharmacist, a dictician, a padiatric specialist, several nume practi-tioners, and a number of RNs and LVNs plus many specical assistants, fulfations health care workers, and trainees. There is a physical therapy depament, under the supervision of a ficensed therapist. We conduct regular genour allaice, both in Jonestown and in nearby spinmunities. We have also been able to treet children from the surrounding gree who have not been so fortunate as to receive skilled care previously.

Medical equipment includes two EKG mathines, a contribute, electronic microscope, and an autoclare. We will soon be getting an X-ray machine, to be operated by a licensed technician with 20 years of experience. All lab work such as urinalysis and bland testing, is done by our lab technician.

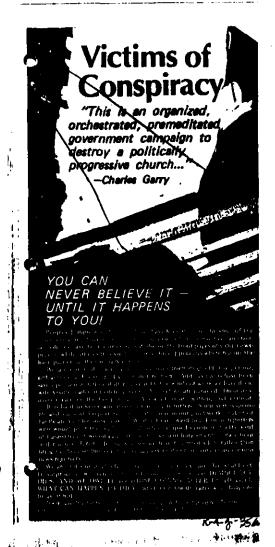
This is an environment where everything grows and thrives. We have just cleared enother 200 acres of kush jungle kand for planning—a continuing process as our reprietured programs expand. We have food stored menths shead of time, to prepare for self-sufficiency of the project. Prequantly, top, we take large amounts of food into tearby communities to distribute. To meet protein requirements, we are acquiring milit cows.

Already we have two built for propagation of a hard. The pigs are shriving, and a flock of thousands of chickens has just graduated 2000 chicks from modern insubstant to add to its population. We are relains a number of rabbits for food.

A whole host of craft and cottage industries have taken hold as the individual calents of racidents flower for the collective good. Toys, furniture, and handlorafts are among the items made. The community is very edictful, a true modern village, as homes are being landscaped with fruit trees, gardens and decorative fencing.

The excellent health of residents here and the estourding prowth of the project are glowing reflections of the spirit of socialist cooperation. Every purior is motivated to function at their very best, as they see their telement being used directly to help others. Almost needles to say, everyone feets very secure and well cared for in an environment like this. The experience of Jonestown, and the inspiration of its founder-leader Jim Jones, is building happy and healthy lives. We are more proud than we can say of what we have been able to accomplish in such a short time in this beautiful jun-

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for lying to the U.S. immigration Service in order to obtain his U.S. eli-seasily—there is hardly one word said shout him. He mores about freally. Yet more and more "never"—outspoourly blead atticles and contight lies—have been printed about him Joses day after day. Why? We think we have an idea. Among the engrees used in most of the victors stories against the Trumple is an admitted Nasi. The Trumple, in the economically suverpeaper, the Proplets Forum, has openly printed the truth about this sa-Head butcher who poons as a "man of God". We have consistently yes articles expending the activities of sec-Head groups in the U.S. and right here in Sam Francisco. We were spaced meetics ape not be teach that subject or these people. Yet we here felt plennyly that same-logy had to prote the truth about these MAXES who are thriving in our modes.

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BLACKMAIL ATTEMPT: Dennis Banks Is Offered a Deal for His Preedom.

The following are emerges from the personal testimony of DESIMAN BANKS, American Indian Morement leader:

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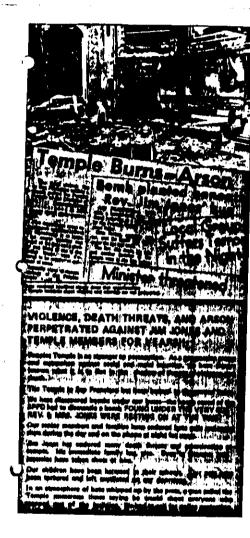
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June 29, 1978 -

Mr. Jeff Young, Investigation Branch Pederal Communications Commission 1919 "M" Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Peoples Temple

Dear Mr. Young:

This confirms our telephone conversations of June 26 and June 28, 1978, in which I informed you that as of Saturday, June 24, transmissions emanating from WB6 MID/8R3 in Jonestown, Guyana, have been obstructed. You informed me at that time that both stations in Guyana, 1) WB6 MID/8R3, Jonestown, and 2) WB6 MNH/8R1, Georgetown are in fact legitimate operating stations in good standing and since they are not within the borde's of the United States, they are not within the jurisdiction of the Federal Communications Commission (F.C.C.).

Since our conversations of June 26, I have received further clarification of the nature of the interference. Each time amateur radio station WB6 MID/8R3 has tried to utilize services of the Maritime Mobile Net (14,313 Kilohertz) for phone-patch traffic, the operator has been denied service. He has been informed each time by a man who called himself a "Net Coordinator" that the Net could not and would not help him because they had been informed by the F.C.C. that WB6 MID/8R3 was operating illegally. They were further informed that a letter would be forthcoming from the F.C.C. verifying this.

You further informed me that no such interference was authorized by the F.C.C. and that the interference was not caused by the F.C.C.

My clients (Peoples Temple), operators of these Guyanese stations, are participants in a church Agricultural and Medical mission. They have used the Maritime Mobile Net over the past several years in locating and contacting medical doctors to assist them in medical emergencies. There are no telephones available into this remote South American jungle region. The health and safety of well over 1,000 mission residents and the success of their medical outreach program to the entire northwest region of Guyana are seriously jeopardized by being deprived of this vital amateur radio service. It is the only means of communication for emergency, life and death medical traffic.

Mr. Jeff Young

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We would appreciate your informing the members of the Maritime Mobile Net that stations WB6 MID/8R3 and WB6 MNH/8R1 are in fact legally operating stations and also convey this to the Net Coordinators who are selecting out and blocking their phonepatch requests so they will understand that they have been misinformed about the status of the two stations.

Please be informed that People's Temple is hereby registering a complaint with the F.C.C. for these interferences with their transmissions.

Yours truly,

Mushail R Derfor

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cc: Peoples Temple

F.C.C., San Francisco, CA

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Police Chief Charles Gaines San Francisco Police Department Hall of Justice 850 Bryant Street San Francisco, CA,

Re.: People's Temple

Dear Chief Gaines:

Last night, People's Temple at 1859 Geary held a free concert for its members and invited the public. That concert ran from approximately 7:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

An attorney associated with this office and in attendance last night observed the following events along with several members of the People's Temple:

- 1) About 9:30 P.M. members of the People's Temple reported that a uniformed police officer in an unmarked car was parked in the parking lot next to the People's Temple at the corner of Steiners and Geary. That car was a blue two-door Honda, California license No. 998-RNB.
- 2) The attorney from this office along with both members of the People's Temple approached the officer and asked why he was spying and eavesdropping on the People's Temple. The officer denied any such actions and would not explain his presence. The officer's badge number is No. 2583.
- 3) One of the members of the People's Temple then took four photos of the officer.
- 4) The officer then left his car and approached the three men and stated he was on a stake-out for a 211. That there had been robberies of several "Fish and Chip" restaurants that night, and that this was the last one in the city, and that he was waiting for the robber.

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5) It was also reported that another man who talked to this officer was seen next to the People's Temple outer wall and appeared to be eavesdropping with some sort of equipment.

This whole matter appears to be another example of Government harassment of the People's Temple.

Wery truly yours,

Charles R. Yarry CHARLES R. GARRY

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INTRODUCTION

February 21, 1978, Peoples Temple received a letter from the Internal Revenue Service, Acting District Director. It stated that the Temple was to submit certain documents, such as organizational articles, consolidated financial statements, payroll tax returns, and permits to operate any commercial activities. It was to be decided, on basis of the Temple's response, whether an examination of church records would be deemed necessary.

Further communication between Temple attorney Marshall Bentzman and representatives of the I.R.S both on the local level and in Washington, D.C., it became clear that the reason for the inquiry was either media publicity over the past year or an "inside informer" of some sort. It was deemed by the attorneys to be highly unlikely that just a "random check" would have led to such a request for audit of a church's books.

Included in this section are a series of letters exchanged between Temple attorneys and the I.R.S. The Temple chose not to comply with the I.R.S. request for submission of records on basis of the fact that we believe it was one more in a series of intentional governmental harassments of our progressive church. We have sent several letters stating the background of harassment and to date have heard nothing further from the I.R.S.

Internal Revent Service

Departy nt of the Treasury

District Director 450 Goldan Gate Ave., Box 35020 San Francisco, Calif. 94102

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Peoples Temple of the
Disciples of Christ

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Gentlemen:

in examination of your organization is being considered to determine whether it is organized and operated as provided by Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and to determine if it receives income from any activity which may be subject to income tax as provided by Section 511 of the Internal Revenue Code.

To determine whether an examination is warranted, we are requesting for our review, the following preliminary data from your books and records:

- A copy of your organizational documents articles
 of incorporation, articles of association, by-laws, or
 any other written instrument by which your organization
 was created.
- A copy of your most recent consolidated financial statement including a balance sheet and a statement of revenue and expenses.
- Copies of payroll tax returns, Forms 941 and 940 filed for the year 1977.
- L) Copies of application for license or permit to operate a cornercial activity of any kind in any city, county, or state.

Your cooperation in mailing this data to the address shown above , within the next ten days will be appreciated.

Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ

Please be advised that if an examination is deemed necessary, you will be so notified in writing and such examination will be conducted within the purview of Section 7605(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 and the Regulations thereunder.

Sincerely,

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Internal Revenue .rvice

Departme of the Treasury

District

450 Golden Gate Ave., Box 35020 San Francisco, Calif. 94102

Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ P.O. Fox 15023 Sen Francisco, CA 94115

Person to Contact: Tak Fukuchi Telephone Number: (415) 556-1585 Refer Reply to: EP/E0:E0-1 Dale: APR 13 1978

Gentlemen:

This letter is in regards to our letter of February 21, 1978, wherein we requested your cooperation in submitting for our review, within ten days, certain data from your books and records. To date, we have had no response from you.

For your information, we repeat the data requested in our original letter of February 21, 1978.

- 1) A copy of your organization documents Articles of Incorporation, Articles of Association, by-laws, or any other written instrument by which your organization was created.
- 2) A copy of your most recent consolidated financial statement including a balance sheet and a statement of avenue and expenses.
- Copies of payroll tax returns, Form 941 and 940 filed for the year 1977.
- 4) Copies of application for license or permit to operate a commercial activity of any kind in any city, county, or state.

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Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ

If we do not hear from you within a reasonable period of time, we may be forced to conclude that an audit is necessary to determine whether your organization is organized and operated as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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District Director

LAW BITTEES OF MARSHALL R. BENTZMAN 1256 MARKET STREET BAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102

(415) 864-3131

April 10, 1978

District Director, IRS 450 Golden Gate Avenue P.O. Box 36020 S.F., CA 94102

Re: People's Temple of the Disciples of Christ
Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of February 21, 1978, please be informed that:

- People's Temple did not file Forms 941 and 940 for the calendar year 1977 due to the fact that they had no employees during that time,
- 2) As of this date, there are no copies of applications for a license or permit to operate a commercial activity of any kind since no commercial activities were in fact operated. We are still checking our records to verify if we have missed any applications for licenses or permits as of this date, and if any are discovered, they will be forwarded to your office.

Your requests \$1 and \$2 in your February 21, 1978 letter will be supplied sometime this month as we are gathering that information for forwarding to your office.

I hereby request a conference with your office to determine the scope of this examination as to why it is being conducted and what is expected to be found other that a church operating completely within the purview of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Yours truly,

Marshall R. Bentzman

cc: People's Temple mrb/mv

MARSHALL R. BENTZMAN 1256 MARKET STREET BAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102

(415) 844-3131

May 5, 1978

Internal Revenue Service 450 Golden Gate Avenue P.O. Box 36020 San Francisco, California 94102

Attn: Tak Fukuchi EP/EO: EO-1

Dear Mr. Fukuchi:

Your letter of April 13, 1978 repeats the requests of the letter of February 21, 1978 from the District Director.

That letter of February 21, 1978 from the District Director had no symbols for reference, no telephone number, and no person was indicated as a "person to contact".

I responded to the February 21, 1978 letter by my letter of March 3, 1978 and enclosed a Power of Attorney (Form 2848) with my letter.

My letter of March 3, 1978 pointed out that:

- your letter of February 21, 1978 was not received by my clients until March 2, 1978,
- the Power of Attorney directed all correspondence to be directed to my office address, and
- I needed 30 days to respond to the four requests.

My letter of April 10, 1978 responded to requests #3 and #4. That letter also indicated further data would be supplied subsequently. In addition, a conference was requested to determine:

- 1. the scope of the examination,
- 2. reason for it being conducted, and
- 3. what is expected to be found.

Your letter of April 13, 1978 completely ignored my two previous letters and my Power of Attorney and was mailed to my clients instead of my office.

I called your office on April 19, 1978 and left a message as you were not in the office. On April 21, 1978 you returned that call, and we talked on the telephone. I explained to you about my prior communications and your office's lack of responsiveness.

Your letter of April 13, 1978 was not responsive to either of my two letters, and you explained that you weren't aware of either letter as they had not been associated with your file. Yet my letter of March 3, 1978 and attached Power of Attorney had been in the possession of your offices for over 30 days.

And your letter of April 13, 1978 sets forth that an audit may be necessary if we are not heard from soon. I to 1 you that "I am disregarding your letter," since it has no basis for being written as we have been in fact responsive to your earlier letter of Pebruary 21, 1978.

I further pointed out that this last letter was just another in a series of letters by your office to get my clients in a position where a request for audit can be made on the Regional level of IRS.

Further, when I asked you why was my client being audited, you eventually told me that it was due to adverse publicity surrounding the church in the newspaper and other such media. However, you had previously in our conversation stated that there was nothing in your file of this nature, and that the audit was not motivated by any such publicity. I indicated to you that I really consider this a form of harassment by your office.

I frankly wonder whether bad publicity with a large church such as Episcopalian, Baptist, Catholic, Jewish, etc. would give rise to an audit.

In light of the preceding discussion, my letters, my client's continual subjection to harassment, eavesdropping, arson, robbery of its business records, and "adverse publicity," my client, with my approval, has decided to refrain from responding to your "request" as set forth in your letters of rebruary 21 and April 13, 1978. We feel that this is just a fishing expedition and will not serve to answer any valid questions, as to their being a viable church, which they are.

However, in order to protect my clients' interest, their rights are going to be exercised under the Freedom of Information Act before any further data is made available to any office of the Internal Revenue Service.

Furthermore, there will be a series of letters to your office for your files documenting the history of harassment, arson, robbery, and responding to the "adverse publicity" in the media.

Very truly yours

MARSHALL R BENTZMAN

MRB/jc cc: Peoples Temple

Encls: 1. Letter of March 3, 1978 to IRS and attached Power of Attorney

2. Letter of April 10, 1978 to IRS

LAW OFFICE OF THE MARSHALL R. BENTZMAN 1856 MARKET STREET SAM FRANCISCO, CA 94102

June 12, 1978

Internal Revenue Service 450 Golden Gate Avenue P.O. Box 36020 See Francisco, California 94102

Attn: Tak Fukuchi EP/EO: EO-1

Re: Dennis Banks

American Indian Movement

Dear Mr. Fukuchi:

This letter is intended to document a meeting between Dennis Banks, leader and co-founder of the American Indian Movement (AIM) and Mr. David Conn sometime around May, 1977.

Mr. Conn first came to the attention of the Peoples Temple about seven years ago when he attended one of their religious services. Apparently he did not like the service as he never returned to another one.

The next time Peoples Temple hord of Mr. Conn was when he approached Dennis Banks and asked him to sign a statement against Peoples Temple. That was in May, 1977, and a copy of Dennis Banks' declaration is enclosed with this letter.

As stated by Dennis Banks in his declaration in paragraph five, David Conn said that he was working with the U.S. Treasury Department, with an IRS agent, * * *". In the same paragraph 5, Dennis Banks states that David Conn asked Banks "to make a public denunciation of Jim Jones." David Conn then stated that if Banks "made such a denunciation, the rulings on my (Banks) extradition would go in my (Banks) favor." See paragraph 5.

In paragraph 7, Conn "said that Treasury agents had already talked to Grace Stoen." Conn further states in paragraph 7 "that besides working with Treasury agents and other government agents, that he (Conn) was already working with ex-members of Peoples Temple, such as Grace Stoen * * **.

In paragraph 8 Banks states that "Conn pressed hard for me (Banks) to meet a U.S. Treasury Department agent alone that very night."

And in paragraphs 9 and 10, Banks states that Conn refers to meeting with a Treasury agent and preparing "a public statement against Jim Jones * * * *.

In paragraph 12, on page 3 of the declaration, Banks talks about Conn telephoning him the very next night, asking Banks to "meet with the Treasury agent that very night, alone."

In light of Mr. Denris Banks' declaration, it would seem that the Internal Revenue Service should investigate David Conn and this meeting rather than audit the Peoples Temple.

The Peoples Temple has evidence that Mr. Conn is investigating them, such as talking to former members in order to gather data about the church, being associated with people who are against and attacking the church, making his name (Conn) and telephone number available to the public through media as a source of information on the Peoples Temple, etc.

Other former members of Peoples Temple have been contacted by people who hold themselves out as Treasury agents or working for the Treasury Department. These people have asked for information about Jim Jones and the Peoples Temple.

I am also enclosing a copy of an article in the February 25, 1976 S.F. Examiner which explains the relationship between Jim Jones, Pastor, Peoples Temple, and Dennis Banks.

Again, this is another example of government harassment, spying, subterfuge, etc. and until all these matters are fully explained to the satisfaction of my client, they will not respond to any request for data by the IRS.

Another letter will be sent next month to further document government interference with my client's activities as a church.

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Yours truly,

MARSHALL R. BENTZMAN

MRB/jc

cc: Peoples Temple

Enclosures: 1) Declaration of Dennis Banks

2) S.F. Examiner article, February 25, 1976

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A family reunited: From 1., Dennis Banks, doughter Tasino, Rev. Jim Jones, Leigh Brightman who harbored Banks; foreground, Ka-mook and baby Iron Door Woman

Indian leader regains his family

By James Schermerhorn

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American Indian Movement leader Dennis Banks stood for a long moment before the Disciples of Christ Church. In his arms was his 4-month-old daughter he had not seen until his family arrived by plane last night.

His wife, Ka-mook, freed on ball from a federal charge, in Oregon with \$20,000 of the church's money, stood beside him. In her arms was an older daughter, 18month-old Tasina.

When he finally found words, Banks said softly, "A week ago my wife was behind an iron door, my children were in Oklaboma. You in your love, have moved the iron door."

The Rev. Jim Jones, pestor of the Peoples Temple here, led more than 4000 men and women in the crowded church in singing, "We Shall Overcome."

Then in his strong voice, Jones affirmed his congregation's support of Banks and declared, "We shall not settle for anything less than his liberty."

At the moment that seems difficult to achieve.

Banks is wanted in South Dakota, where he was convicted last July of possessing arms in a riot and assault with a dangerous weapon "without intent to kill." In the trial, defense witnesses said they would not testify because they were threatened by the prosecutor, the state's attorney general, and in mid-trial, Banks' counsel withdrew for the same reason, leaving him to defend himself alone. His appeal for a mistrial was denied.

He and his wife also face charges of possessing destructive devices in Oregon.

Extradition to South Dakota, he declares, will mean his certain death, and he has appealed to Gov. Brown to deny extradiction.

Jones said he asked the church board and congregation last week to take the action.

DECLARATION OF D_NIS BANKS

I, Dennis Banks, , declare that
I am a citizen of the United States, and that I am // years old.

Several months ago, in May 1977, my friend printed Brightman was contacted on the phone by a man named George Coker. He wanted Lee to set up a meeting between myself and a man named David Conn, concerning the question of my extradition to South Dakota. Naturally I was concerned about this when I was notified of the call. In the next couple of days there were other calls. Lee called David Conn and asked him for some more information about my extradition. Conn told Lee that he wanted to talk to me about Peoples Temple and Jim Jones.

Lee asked Conn what Jim Jones had to do with my extradition. Conn wouldn't tell him. He said it was strictly confidential and that he would only talk about it with him and me personally.

So Lee set up a meeting between myself and David Conn at Lee's house in El Cerrito, for that night.

of papers. He read notes from the papers. I noticed the paper was stationery from the Standard Oil Company of California. Conn said that he was working with the U.S. Treasury Department, with an IRS agent, and with two men from the San Francisco Police Department. He told me the first name of the Treasury agent, he was working with. But Conn did not talk about my extradition problem. He read material that was disparaging to Jim Jones. He went on for some time. Finally I interrupted Conn. I asked him what all this stuff about Jim Jones had to do with my extradition. Conn asked me, "Well, you took money from the church, didn't you?" He said that my association with Peoples Temple could reflect very badly on my extradition. He then asked me to make a

public denunciation of Jim Jones. He assured me that if I made such a denunciation, the rulings on my extradition would go in my favor. I asked him why a statement against Jim Jones could help my extradition.

. Conn said that such a statement would be a determining factor with people like the Governor and other government agencies making decisions about my extradition. He said that if I came out with a statement against Jim Jones that a decision against my extradition could well be forthcoming.

Conn was obviously making a deal with me, and I was being blackmailed. Conn let me know that besides working with Treasury agents and other government agents, that he was already working with ex-members of Peoples Temple, such as Grace Stoen, and that he had people who would talk against Jim Jones. He said that the Treasury agents had already talked with Grace Stoen.

Conn pressed hard for me to meet with a U. S. Treasury Department agent alone that very night.

Conn also said — and he was very emphatic a out this — THAT HE IN NO WAY WANTED THIS INFORMATION REVEALED FOR FEAR THAT IT WOULD "BLOW THEIR COVER" AND RUIN ANY POSSIBLE MEETING BETWEEN ME AND THE TREASURY AGENT.

I was further pressured to meet with the agent from the Treasury Department. The deal was to meet with the agent and to prepare a public statement against Jim Jones in return for some kind of immunity against my being extradited. I refused to talk with any Treasury agent without my attorney, Dennis Roberts. Conn insisted that I had to do it alone.

At this point, Leighman Brightman asked Conn to leave the house.

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The next night I was called at D.Q. University by Conn. Conn told me that it was very urgent that I meet with the Treasury agent that very night, alone. I said to Conn that I had already told him I wouldn't meet with the Treasury agent without my attorney.

These agents all knew that I had a lot hanging over me. Besides the extradition (which to me is certainly a life and death matter), I also had a case in Federal Court in which the Treasury Department was involved. I have often made it clear that if I am extradited to South Dakota, that is like a sentence of death, because I am certain that I will be killed there.

So this was definitely a deal that I was being offered. Because it was not just a matter of Conn indicating that it would go well with me if I co-operated, but the implication was that if I didn't co-operate, it would go badly for me. This was to me a threat, and obvious blackmail.

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that all of the foregoing is true and correct, execute this 6 day of September, 1977 at Navi Caldrina.

DENNIS BANKS

Internal Revenue Service

Department of the Treasury

District

P.O. Box 231, Los Angeles, Calif, 90053

Jean F. Brown
Peoples Temple of The Disciples of
Christ
P.O. Box 15023
San Francisco, CA 94115

Person to Contact:
J. W. Brannan
Telephone Number:

Refer Reply to:

400:DO:JWB
Date:

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AUG 11 1977

Dear Ms. Brown:

In reply to your letter of May 7, 1977, we find that we need additional information from you before considering your request for access to certain Internal Revenue Service files and records.

In order for us to act on your request, please mail us an official listing of the Organization's Board of Directors (or other similiar governing body) and principal officers.

Section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code provides that the application for exemption together with papers supporting such application, and any letter or other document issued by the Internal Revenue Service with respect to such an application (re: a-501 (c) organization) shall be open to public inspection. Therefore, without benefit of the additional document(s) indicated in paragraph two, we would only be able to comply with your request to the extent of Section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code.

If you have any questions or desire further information please contact the individual noted above,

Sincerery,

J. W. BRANNAN

District Disclosure Officer Los Angeles District

cc: Ass't District Director



DISCIPLES OF CHRIST Jim Jones, **Pastor**

"For I was an hungred ord ye ard me meat.
I mis the est we me me deink, I mis e stranger and which ame me Nikel who we med ye clothed me.
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I was sick and ye visited me.
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"There shall the registeous Amount him, saying.

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September 29, 1977

Mr. J. W. Brannan District Disclosure Officer Los Angeles District Internal Revenue Service P.O. Box 231 Los Angeles, California 90053

Re: 400:00:JWB

Dear Mr. Brannan:

In reply to your letter of August 11, 1977, following is a current official listing of the Board of Directors of Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ:

Carol A. Stahl Linda S. Amos Alice Inghram Jean F. Brown Lee Ingram June B. Cryn G. Donald Beck

Further, following is a current official listing of the Officers of said corporation:

President: Carol A. Stahl Vice President: Lee Ingram Financial Secretary/Treasurer: June Recording Secretary: Linda S. Amos Assistant Secretary: Jean F. Brown June B. Crym Assistant Secretary: Anita Kelley Assistant Treasurer: Andrew Silver

We assume this information complies with your request.

> 7 1500m 1:20 Jean F. Brown

Very truly yours

Department of the Treasury / Internal Revenue Service / Washington, D.C. 20224

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Commissioner

Professor Richard D. Tropp
Peoples Temple of the
Disciples of Christ
Post Office Box 214
Redwood Valley, California 95470

Dear Professor Tropp:

Thanks for your letter of October 18, 1975. I greatly appreciate your thoughtfulness in writing.

The problems I am encountering are partly a product of the times: suspicion or mistrust of those in public office and a few investigative reporters letting their bloodlust outdistance their integrity. While I thought and still think that the Internal Revenue Service is a fine agency doing a difficult job well, certain reforms and controls are necessary to curb past practices, on the part of a few, which are no longer acceptable. In this respect, the Internal Revenue Service is now installing controls over its use of informants, for example, which are not as stringent as those as the FBI has had all along.

Some of the law enforcement community (including a handful of Congressional staffers) see these controls and these curbs on certain excessive actions as motivated by evil designs. They are unable or unwilling to understand philosophical differences, to understand that the law enforcer cannot be the law violator. Accordingly, these few people in the law enforcement community have joined with a few investigative reporters in an effort to do all they can to drive me from office.

This isn't working. One of the false allegations made about me has already been laid to rest, and I am convinced the investigations currently underway — if conducted with any degree of impartiality — will soon lay the others to rest. Moreover, I am convinced that the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Treasury will do their utmost to see to it that these investigations are properly conducted and promptly concluded.

Thanks again and best wishes,

Sincerely,

Donald C. Alexander

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Western Region

525 Market St., San Francisco, Ca. 94105

People's Temple of the Disciples of Christ
 P.O. Box 15157
 San Francisco, CA 94115

Person to Contact. Pete White Telephone Number 556-3765

Refer Reply to:

Attn: Michael Prokes, Assistant Pastor

Date: June 20, 1977

-Dear Reverend Prokes:

This is in response to inquiries this office has received concerning possible investigation of the People's Temple of the Disciples of Christ by the Internal Revenue Service.

At this time the People's Temple of the Disciples of Christ is not the subject of an IRS investigation.

If you have any further questions, please contact me at 556-3765.

Pete White

Problem Resolution Officer

Internal Revenue Service

Department of the Treasury

District Director 450 Golden Gate Ave San Francisco, Calif. 94102

Person to Contact: T. R. Davis

Telephone Number: (1:15) 556-71:67

Refer Reply to: A:D:TRD

Rev. James W. Jones Jr. c/o Garry, Dreyfus, et al 1256 Farket Street at Civic Center San Prancisco, CA 94102 Date: MAR Z 1978

Re: Request for Access to Internal Revenue Service Records

Dear Rev. Jones:

This refers to your undated letters addressed to the Director, Disclosure Division and the Assistant to the Commissioner (Public Affairs), which were transferred to this office, and to our interim reply.

Although your letter is headed "Privacy Act Request" it also cites the Freedom of Information Act. Unfortunately, it does not qualify as a valid request under either of the Acts. Our records are normally limited to Federal income tax returns and related documents pertaining to the income tax liability of the taxpayer. Income tax case files are specifically exempt under the Privacy Act. Your letter requests copies of all files this agency has indexed under your name or which contain your name. This is a very broad request since you do not indicate the type of documents sought, the years involved, or where they might be located. Under the Treasury Regulations pertaining to the Freedom of Information Act there are certain requirements to be met for a valid request, one of which is that the records must be reasonably described. In addition, requests for Federal income tax case files should be directed to the District Director who has jurisdiction over the area from which they were filed.

As a service to you, however, we have checked the microfilm records currently available to this office. Federal income tax returns and related information would be indexed under your name and social security number and we found a listing of returns for eight taxable years filed under the name and social security number furnished (James W. Jones - SSN 303-32-5942). The microfilm record indicates they were filed jointly with Marceline M. Jones.

There has been no audit action to date on these income tax returns. A search of our Intelligence Division's files disclosed an index card under your name indicating receipt of an information item in 1972; however no investigative action was taken. The information item, which is believed to have been a newspaper article, cannot be located and we regret our inability to furnish it.

Although furnishing an individual with information and/or copies of records from his or her personal Federal income tax case file would not be considered as a benefit to the general public, the cost of the search conducted in this instance is within the limit we are authorized to waive. Therefore, no charge is being made.

We hope the above information is helpful.

Very Truly yours,

Fred Bolding
Disclosure Officer

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TIMOTHY STOEN

Former attorney for Peoples Temple, Timothy O. Stoen, left the church's Agricultural Mission headquarters in Georgetown, Guyana, in spring of 1977. From that time on he has worked against the Temple and Rev. Jones, culminating in a \$150 million lawsuit filed by Temple members against him for violation of attorney-client privilege and using his former capacity as legal counsel in a personal vendetta against Rev. Jones.

His actions against the church and Rev. Jones have included filing a custody suit for the child John Victor, who is Rev. Jones' own son; pressuring Senate and House of Representative members and the U.S. State Department to take action against Rev. Jones in Guyana and to interfere in the Guyanese courts of law; agentprovocateur activities (before and during his Temple membership) designed to steer the church members away from the non-violent teachings of Rev. Jones; organizing ex-members of the Temple and parents and loved ones of members overseas into anti-Temple activity by spreading malicious rumours and false allegations about life at the Temple Agricultural and Medical Cooperative at Jonestown. In August, 1978, Mr. Stoen was quoted by a non-member and patent of a young woman overseas as saying, "If Rev. Jones is smart, he will return the child to me and I will get off his back." He has belied the absolutely vindictive nature of his campaign to discredit and malign the work of Rev. Jones and Peoples Temple.



OF THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST Jim Jones, **Pastor**

February 24, 1978

"Fee I was an hungered and ye gate me meat; I sate thresty one by gate me brick. I sate a stranger and ye look as me in. Nicked and ye clothed me. I sate and ye trisided me. I sate me prisan, and ye came such me.

"Then shall the rightenes Answer him, saying,

Micro sori vie then an humpred. And fee thee?
And fee thee?
Or thresty
And goir ther drink?
When sori vie there a stronger.
And the there is the drink?
Or which and clothed thee
Or when sori vie the sack?
Or when sori vie thee sack?
Or in the sack? Or in prison.

d say unto you.

In such as ye have done it

Unto one of the least of these...

"Ye have done at unto me"

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Matthew 25: 35: 40

Dear

Enclosed is a copy of the actual radio interview that took place between Rev. Jones and Mr. Tim Reiterman of the Examiner on the morning of February 22, 1978.
Rev. Jones wanted you to have a copy of it to compare with the version that will appear in print in the Examiner within the next few days. He has had confidence in your objectivity and journalistic ethic over the past years and in a case this sensitive felt you should know exactly what was said in the interview.

Jim is the father of the child, a chapter which is by no means the proudest of his achievements, but he is deeply devoted to his child now that he is here. The child is explicity happy and leading a stable life in a beautiful and egalitarian environment.

As Rev. Jones and Peoples Temple have received biased and negatively prejudiced press coverage in the San Francisco Examiner, we wanted you, who have shown yourself to be a respectable journalist, to have an actual transcript of the interview.

Yours sincerely,

Jean Brown

Interview with Rev. Jim Jones by Examiner writer Tim Reiterman: Transcript of 2/22/78

- 1. The first question is, who is the father of John Victor Stoen?
 And how can the claim be supported?
- J.J: I am the father. Statements have been made by both people on public and on private occasions. I challenge him to take all the blood tests -- all the sophisticated blood tests available -- and compare them to the child and myself. I challenge them to take a polygraph and truth serum. Under objective circumstances, why would I risk my reputation for my child that they both abandoned unless it were indeed mine? Not to mention the thousands of dollars in legal defense.
- T.R: 2. Would you be willing to come back to the United States or some neutral turf and take the same tests?
- J.J: Absolutely! But it can be done here. This is a very developed country. Or it can be done in a neutral country. It can be done in the capital with advertisements in the Pegasus Rotel if necessary. They certainly wouldn't be calling this country backward or biased, would they? If they want to put the child through it, I will comply. I do not want to put my child through this publicity, but I will neturally defend my right of parentage and use every legal means possible to not let my child be used as a pawn by them. I want dental studies comparing me and my child, and other medical studies that can be done by experts. I am talking about the most highly sophisticated studies.
- 4 .: 3. That's my next question. A legal claim. Why haven't you claimed in a court of law that you are the father of the child?
- J.J: I am following the advice of my lawyer. My lawyer here has done so or is doing so now, if he has not already completed it. I could have done so earlier, but I did not want to cause embarrassment for a little child. I had assurances from them, their full word, witnessed publicly and privately (that is from Mr. and Mrs. Stoen) that they would allow my wife and I to continue to rear my child as we have for several years, who looks exactly like a replica of my childhood pictures.
- T.R: 4. Why have you not returned to the United States to answer allegations?
- J.J: Certainly not because of lying allegations, but because I have been advised this is the best way to protect my child. Furthermore, I am doing a valuable humanitarian work, which can surely help to cement relations between two countries and sow good will.
- T.R: 5. Why were you not at the birth, why is your name not on the birth certificate, and why did you not rear the child after the child came home from the hospital?
- J.J: I was present at the hospital and she introduced me as the father to several people there. And I did rear him from a very early age.

 She did not consult me about the birth certificate. If I had been consulted, I would not have wanted to stigmatize the child as illegitimate. And I had been given their word I could rear my child. She also,

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on numerous occasions when we were together with my son, introduced me as the father to people outside of the church. She should remember well.

6. Next question is how did you come to sire this child, if it is true that you sired the child. Or why were you having relations with Mrs. Stoen, if that's the case?

See Stoen's sworn affidavit. It was printed by Herb Caen. It is a statement sworn under penalty of perjury by Stoen.

7. Did you feel it was your place to sire a son for one of your church members when you had been so generous as to adopt children, and had shown yourself as someone who believed in adoption as an important way to help people? Why, as an advocate of adoption, did you feel it was necessary to sire a son for one of your church members?

I would rather not embarrass the relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Stoen, because it has to do with Mr. and Mrs. Stoen's very personal lives, and I am sure they do not want it aired.

8. I wonder if you would try (radio) again at some later time to clarify for me where we stand on the questions submitted by the Examiner.

I am working on them very thoroughly now. I am a very busy man. Your fairness with the information you got today and printing my answers in full will determine whether I submit the answers and give the interviews here to your paper. I have reason to be skeptical because of past treatment by your newspaper. You could certainly understand my skepticism when you have the audacity to print that I would believe I were Jesus Christ or Mao.

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TALK ABOUT a can of worms... When we last left the Rev. Jim Jones, leader of the 20,000-strong Peoples Temple here, he and hundreds of his followers had gone to the Temple plantation in Guyana, leaving headlined charges of various scandals in their wake. Since then, Dist. Atty. Joe Freitas has said he found "absolutely nothing" that would cause him to prosecute, so why does the Rev. Jones remain in the steaming jungles of South America?

One reason, as disclosed here some time back, is his fear that a six-year-old boy he describes as "my son" would be taken away if he returned. He means "my son" literally, even though Timothy Oliver Stoen, a former Asst. Dist. Atty. here, and his more or less estranged wife, Grace Lucy Stoen, claim the lad is TITEIR son. A custody fight, centered in Guyana, is still hanging fire.

Floating around is what appears to be an affidavit signed by Tim Stoen on February 6, 1972, and witnessed by Marceline M. Jones, the Rev. Jones' wife. It states in part that "I, Timothy Oliver Stoen, hereby acknowledge that in April, 1971, I entreated my beloved pastor, James W. Jones, to sire a child by my wife, Grace Lucy (Greeh) Stoen, who had previously, at my insistence, reluctantly but graciously consented thereto. James W. Jones agreed to do so, reluctantly, after I explained that I ... was unable after extensive attempts, to sire one myself. My reason for wanting James W. Jones to do this is that I wanted my child to be fathered... by the most compassionate, honest and courageous human being the world contains."

At the time, Stoen was legal adviser to Peoples Temple, he has since left that church. Says his lawyer, Patrick Hallinan: "I think that when Tim signed that affidavit, he really believed Jones WAS the father of his son. He no longer believes it. Neither do I. I think he was hoodwinked into signing that paper." Mrs. Stoen's lawyer, Jeffrey Haas, says hotly, "WHAT affidavit? As a matter of fact, I've heard that Jim Jones is sterile." Jones lawyer, Charles Garry, with a twinkle: "I have not seen that affidavit. I have, however, seen the boy in question, and he is the spittin' image of Jim. Jim sterile? He has fathered a child since that boy was born."

At the moment, a Judge in Guyana is trying to decide whether the case should be resolved In San Francisco. As I said, your basic can of worms.

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The child, John Victor Stoen, was born on January 25, 1972. I am privileged beyond words to have the responsibility for caring for him, and I undertake this task humbly with the steadfast hope that said child will become a devoted follower of Jesus Christ and be instrumental in bringing Go.'s kingdom here on earth, as has been his wonderful natural father.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Timothy Oliver Stoen
Post Office Box 126
Ukiah, California 95482

Dated: February 6, 1972

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Ukleh, Mendocino County, California Tuesday, August 23, 1977

Stoen reacts to Grapevine article

Ukiah weekly target of \$5 million lawsuit

By GEORGE HUNTER

Timothy Oliver "Tim" Stom, former amistant district attorney for Mandocino County whose beliefs are closely lasked to those of the Rev. Jim Jones, paster of the Peoples Temple Church, is preparing to file a 56 million lawsuit against the Mandocino Grapevine, a Uniah weekly.

Stom, who flew here last weekend from New York City to confer with Uniah attorney Pat Finnegan, told the Daily Journal that he would also such damages of some \$13 million from New West, a San Francisco bi-weekly asagazine which has carried two "expose" articles relating to Puoples Tample and its pastor.

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Stem said that an article appearing in a recent issue of the Ultiah wealth had demagnd his reputation. "I shad to practice law here in Ultiah and it is essential that I clear my same," Stem mid.

"I must show the world that a sewspaper cannot wrongfully hurt innocent people without being brought to account."

Noting that he was prepared to do bettle on all levels, Stoom said: "I'm a street fighter. People will come to appreciate that fact that I'm a street lighter

"I feel like Alfred Dreyfus," Store said, referring to the French Army efficer of the 19th century who was convicted by an Army court and imprisoned on Devi's island for defending his religious beliefs.

"I'm experienced amough with our jury system to believe in it. I'll put my truer in the system," Steen said.

"on reactes, strongly to informous that he was "afraid" of Rev. Jones. "I want to disput that allegation," he said.

The former assistant district attersey also was sharply critical to charges that he had used his public effice to apy for Jones. "I've always made known my esteem for Jim Jones," he said. "I have nothing to hide and no one can show a single instance where I ever used my public effice to when fearoritims toward the church Steen charged that the reporting of New West imagazine was irrasponsible in that the magazine article quoted the Mandocine Grapevine verbatim. Steen said he weald prove the statements to be untrue and malicious in motivation and that the Grapevine violated the newspaper cases of others, giving Steen in charge in made to the accurations.

The domands for retraction and damages will be contained in a complaint filed here. The suit against New West magazine will be filed in San Francisco.

Store was "tenned" to San Franciscocity and county in 1975 to prosecute water frand after a large-scale scandal surfaced. Out of 30 indictments returned by the Grand jury, 27 convictions were obtained. Seem was thuseled by San Francisco District Atturney Joseph Presides to account the nost of special presecutor with a large staff of attorneys to flight organised crime and public corruption. Stoom accepted the post then resigned when he felt that he was needed in Geyans, a small South American country, to help Jones in sutphilishing a communal-type conter, Jonestown, for minorities and the underservities of

Steen has established residence in Membettan in order that he may be selmitted to the New York State bur.

"Junes has helped me develop an ampathy toward the personants," Stoom said. "I intend to develop a national law firm to help people who are prosecuted, or nother projects, for their religious beliefs. Stoom said he was werried about "Greeping to belitariadess" that left me rests, for diagnat.

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PORMER ABSISTANT DA TIM STOEN

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February 10, 1978

To Whom It May Concern:

The child custody case involving the parties Timothy O. and Grace Lucy Stoen vs. Rev. James W. Jones is a domestic matter that is being handled appropriately and adequately within the court system of Guyana, South America.

There is no reason whatsoever for any interference in this case from parties acting in any governmental capacity from the United States.

Your cooperation in leaving the settlement of this domestic matter to the Guyanese courts is appreciated by our offices.

Very truly yours,

Charles R. Jarry Charles R. Garry Attorney at Law

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Congress of the United States Committee on International Relations

> Mouse of Representatives Washington, N.C. 20515

February 17, 1978

Mr. Charles R. Garry Attorney at Law Law Offices of Garry, Dreyfus, McTernan, Brotsky, Herndon and Pesonen, Inc. 1256 Market Street at Civic Center San Francisco, California 94102 FED 2: 1970

Dear Attorney Garry:

This is to acknowledge your letter of February 10, 1978, which was handcarried to our Subcommittee office by Mrs. James W. Jones on February 15, 1978.

I agree, that there is no reason whatsoever that any parties in a governmental capacity should interfere in the domestic matter presently in the Guyana court system.

While I always have an interest in a fair bearing for all persons, it has been the policy not to interfere in litigation in the courts.

With warm personal regards,

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Chairman U Subcommittee

on Inter-American Affairs

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I. Jim Jones, affirm under penalty of perjury, that the following is true.

I firmly believe that the custody battle over my son, John Victor, is nethiabsteetkan a politically-motivated ploy on the part of Timothy Dtoen and a number of other individuals, using my son as a pawn in an attempt to destroy my life's work and the reoples Temple Articultural Project here in the Corth Lest Region of Guyana.

I base this conviction upon a massive and growing body of evidence of great complexity that I will herein attempt to highlight, with the help of supporting documents. The tangled web of circumstances is not easy to follow. I shall show, however, that this is not a simple custody matter at all, as the process have attempted to portray it.

Criminally in John himself indisted on my wife and I retaining custody of John, and agreed with many others in Jeoples Lemple who had observed the manner in which ins. John comported herself with John, that she (Grace John) was an unfit mother, and had no interest in the child. In Steen even winited my son hard in Guyana and was most approxima of John remaining here. Mowever, John Inter took a completely opposite position. It was then that he began making efforts to organize people against me and leoples lemple, he recruited a group of people that he called "concerned relatives," bringing outlandish and reckless charges against the Leoples Temple Agricultural Project and myself voich were never substantiated and which flew in the face of reality, as witnessed and attested to by a host of persons, including U.J. Utate Department observers.

I am convinced, and can clearly demonstrate, that the custody case is being used as a pretext to cause trouble for us and reoples Temple. The complexity and totality of the factors involved are difficult to capsulize: I need to go into a background and some detail about the entire mattern of efforts against this church which has, under my min

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active for twenty-five years against racism, injustice, corruption, oppression, and a variety of social abuses. An active conspiracy to destroy our church has been carried on for many years. The total catalogue of harassments, death threats, arson attacks, attempts on my life and the lives of my children, sabotage, and the like would take a volumet to detail. It has been in recent years, however, as our church has become more outspoken against injustice, and has attempted, in accordance with our religious beliefs, to live a co-operative lifestyle, that concerned efforts against us have taken a new and more serious dimension -- what our attorney, Charles Garry, has characterized as an "organized, premeditated, government campaign." About 18 months ago, according to documented information, crace ctoen met with sovernment agents to participate -- indeed, to play a key role -- in these efforts. They have included attempts to bribe and blackmail many former members, community leaders, and activists . (such as American Indian . overent leader Dennis Banks) into denouncing Recoles Temple. Timothy Stoen, as I have indicated, came to participate in this campaign and take a Mading role, even offering the money to prominent individuals in civil rights and progressive movements to denounce me. He has spent unspecified amounts of money (we know of at least 320,000 T3) in these and other efforts, even though he had no funds to begin with and has been unemployed for quite some time and, in any case, had no visible means of securing the money for these kinds of activities. Jome of the highlights of this campaign have included:

-- sabotage of mail between Guyana and the U.S.

--holding back of social security and pension checks from elderly people residing here at our community

--fronting of 'smear' articles to major look media (and outside of the U.S.), full of outrageous lies and unsubstantiated allegations (Note: an expensive public relations firm was even hired to promote these efforts, spearheaded by a man with a long criminal record, and described by prison authorities as a 'con man,' a 'public menace,' wand a person with 'an insatiable desire to get ahead.' The individual, Joseph Mazor, was mysteriously granted a private detective license by the State of California shortly after his release from jail, enabling him to pursue them activities).

--a systematic, concerted campaign of telephone harassment of a number of people, with the callers impersonating members of my church, in order to turn persons called against me and my church

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--many more activities, including ransacking of our shipments, and the mysterious murder of a member of our church in December, 1977.

stoen, as I mentioned, has been the key organizer-behind a group of individuals styling themselves as the 'concerned relatives,' which include persons who have been a part of the anti-Vim Jones faction for months and in some cases, years. One of the members of this group has threatened to 'hire mercenaries' to send to Guyana in violation of international law and Guyana's sovereignty in order to 'retrieve' members of kephes Temple lensly residing here. Stoen has bean -- according to absolutly reliable, documented proof -- in contact with an aerial reconsissance outfit that has been involved in co-ordinating subversive activities with the help of street mercenaries, in Africa.

otoen has also spearheaded attempts to influence a host of G.o. Congressmen, Lenators, Utate Department officials, U.o. Embassy officials, and other in trying to discredit us, as well as in trying to embarase (and insulting -- in a direct, arrogant manner) the government of Guyana, even soing so far as to cause or provide an international incident which would (hopefully) jeopardize the standing of Fephase Temple here in Luyana.

Experts who have reviewed the chronicle of .r. stoom's activities, dating back to an incident some 15 years are when he not himself arrested and kicked out of the German Democratic Republic (under strange circumstances) and used the incident to create decidedly unfavorable publicity faminst the CDD in the L.D. mass-media, have said that atoen has acted in the manner of a CDA agent or operative, and it is my own belief that this may indeed be the case.

There is another dimension to this entire matter, according to his own sworn statement (Exhibit A, attached), otoen, in 1971 indicted that his wife have sexual relations with me because he wanted a child and couldnot sire one himself. He referred to me in the statement as "the most compassionate, honest, and courageous human being the world contains." The statement was witnessed by my wife. I was not, as the statement clarifies, an easer participant and the statement clarifies and easer participant and the statement clarifies.

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in this arrangement, but acceded to ir. Stoen's behests which, I say without hesitation, were desperately advanced. I was also — simultaneously — being pressured by irs. Stoen, whose extreme emotional instability caused her to resort to a form of sexual blackmail. She threatened that if I would not ensure in sexual relations with her, she would do what she could to ruin me, leophies Temple, and her husband. By wife of some thirty years and others with whom I discussed this matter, supported and encouraged me in the painful decision I came to at that time: to meet are and area, stoen on their desperate terms, ac saw no other way.

since the premancy and subsequent child that came out of our relationship, i.e. Steen has callously and cruelly manipulated the entire situation — with the child in the center of it all — to deliberately cause me great pain and annuich, knowing well of my deep care and love for my son. This had caused my son severe emotional distress from which he is now fairly well recovered, though, when inflicted at such an early age it is difficult to say that such effecte can be wholly overcome.

For years, Grace Stoen -- as has been witnessed by hundreds of people who knew her during this time -- was not a caring mother to John. She had biggree child-regging patterns that resulted in emotional torment to the child, who she often and openly spurned. On one occasion she locked the very young boy in the garage while she engaged in sexual relations with a man. The child could hear everything and was traumatized. By wife and I had to step in on many occasions to provide the child with the kind of consistent paternal and maternal care for John that Grace and Tim Stoen were unable to provide, and emotionally unprepared to assume.

It is obvious even to a person with ordinary common sense that the child represented to are Stoem an image andreminder of his own personal (segual) inadequacy, so that his attitude toward John was at best ambivalent and, at worst, resentful, liveryone was concerned, besides, about Grace Stoemis extremely erratic patterns.

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She finally ran off with a lover in 1976, abandoning the child -indeed, she directly handed the child to me and my wife and
said, within the child's hearing and infthe presence of other
witnesses: "here, ge's yours, take him, I don't want any parto
of him."

Shortly after this, in. Stoen prepared the attached document f-xhibit 3) whichhedrails several well-known factors in irs. Stoen; soutlook and personality. In this desument, in. Stoen indicates, among other things, that Grace Stoen;

--is unfit to have custody over John
--is a dancerous reactionary who has indicated that she would work with the Cl. to harm nations like Buyant
--abandoned the child and ran off with a reactionary racist, totally octosed to socialist
--wanted John to remain in Guyana under my care

Grace stoen, in addition, was riven (by mc) a round-trip ticked to come and visit her son. She cached in the ticket. There are numerous sworn statements that are available to interested parties that also reflect upon ups. Stoen's unfitness and personal moral inadequacies (i.e., patterns of promiscuit, etc.).

Now are. Liter is clamoring to have thereson back' along with Simothy Steen who, until several months are was actively and firmly opposed to such a course, and was (to all appearances; a firm supporter of me and my works in fact, in the face of .rc. Storm's original allegations, Storm threatened to see the publications carrying them for (12 million) Even today, he is segmented from Grace Stoon, who continues to live with other men. I must also remark that ars. Steen's claims were not privately advanced, but were aired in the context of a series of dubious stratagems being advanced by several persons -- including government agents -- in conjunction with other bizares allegations about Reoples Temple in the sensationalist press. The issue about 'petting her son back' was (and still is) part of a gross publicity stunt. .re. steam had been actively conspiring with a group of these individuals for the express purpose (in the words of one of the most cutimbken of the false witnesses who she is collaborating with) 'orstroving'

my organization.

The total chance in the attitude of Ar. Stoen (he has now joined with those who he had been attacking, and has authored suits against us totalling \$53 million) -- and is also working with the very person -- his wife -- who he said was an unfit mother who would resort to working with the CIm to harm me) as well as the above-mentioned activities, leads to the inescapable conclusion that Ar. Stoen is actively working against me under severed pressure from those involved in the original efforts to destroy me and my work.

In all of this, their desire for sustody has nothing what so ever to do with the welfare and well-being of John Victor. This (as I have said) is only a pretext, to advance conspiratorial efforts against me, as has been exhaustively documented. If I thought that irs. Stoen were sincerely concerned about her child, and was intending to rear him in a manner that would comport to his health and well-being, I would not have any hesitancy in releasing John to her custody, though I love the child dearly, and he is very attached to me and my wife. Such, however, is not the case with are. Stoen. Far from it. This is a cruel, Wicious attempt to use a child as a pawn in a devices game. The child is quite bright (indeed, brilliant) and understands much of what has been swirling around him. Though the nearly two years he has spent here in an environment of care and concern has helped markedly in his personal growth, and despite the fact that we have encouraged him not to harbor negative feelings about his mother --destite our own-- John is so emotionally scarred and wrought up over his mother that he has actually expressed that, were he to be returned to her custody, he would conmit suicide.

In light of this, and in addition to all of the above afters and evidence, I am convinced that this whole custody case is a ship and is being pursued only as a vehicle to advance schemer to harm this organization. I am firmly, and on the highest normal arounds, opposed to sacrificing the welfare of my some (which would be a certain consequence were he placed in the custody of Trace and/or Tin Storn) and turning him over to what amounts to a

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broken home (at best). I am joined in this resolve by literally thousands of people who know the situation, who have known for years that my wife and I have been the true and loving and consistent parents of John Victor. There are indeed other psychological factors in the case -- especially concerning extreme character disorders of are stoom which have no doubt (as I have mentioned) contributed to his desire to be the father of the child, even if it meant imploring a surrocate to impregnate his wife.

he conceives as 'power' -- and his tassculine image was threatened by how own personality weaknesses and aberrations

This, .r. Stoen wanted to have a son that would be the inare and 'proof' of har potency, sired by a person thatwe envied as akkind of image of the power he knew he lacked in himself.

I understood these factors, and Tim Utoen's own sense of desperation. I was, perhaps, on reflection, mistaken in meeting Ar. Stoen (and his wife) on their desperate terms, but today, overseeven years later. I have to think not about the causes, but the consequences of that painful decision. I refer here to my son. And in the face of the errors, human failings, misplaced motives, jealousies, projections, and morass of insecurity and twisted desires that have characterized the actions of Trace and Tim Stoen, and which have propelled them on their destructive courses of action against me and reopèes Temple, I am determined to shield my son. I am pledged with my life that he will have a clear, bright future ahead of him. It is this determination of a father, it is in this spirit, that I have made this statement.

As a final note, I would like to add that I have personally chosen to make all the evidence in this matter public, even though the fact that I am —and freely admit to being— the father of John Victor, constitutes as grave threat to my reputation, personal and professional standing as a minister and castor of

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Reopler Temple Christian Church, to my position in the community, in the civil rights movement in the United States, and within the Disciples of Christ denomination of which my church has been an affiliate for many years. I obviously have nothing to personally gain in doing this, and a great deal to lone. I only wish to protect the well-being and life of my son, to prevent him from being cruelly abused in a cheap ploy and power-play by people with no principles. I could have easily relignquished custody of John Victor to Grace Stoen and have avoided all of the personal and legal difficulties (arrest orders, legal fees, and many other problems and pressures that have ensued from my stand) -- taken on moral and ethical grounds alone alone -- to refuce to allow my son to be used as a pawn in a heartless same that has as its object the destruction of what I judge to be one of . the most simificant humanitarian and social justice organizations anywhere, confirmation of which you can get from a host of individuals who have positions of responsibility in public and civic life, in government service, in the religious community, everywhere-who areiantimately aware of the work of Feoples Temple, and who understand precisely why efforts (such as those outlined above) have been mounted to terminate it. Similar efforts, as is practically common knowledge, have been launched against many progressive and civil rights and third-world organizations in the U.S. that are working for a world of equality and economic justice.

I am attaching statements and further documentation that will help put all of this in perspective. That is being advanced it, as many have clearly recognized, no more 'custody case.' It is partoof a conspiracy, operating at several levels.

I abologize for the somewhat disjointed and loose construction of this statement, which I have hastily dictated in order that it may be filed approporately by soon as possible.

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE

March 3, 1978

Dear Mr. Tropp:

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Thank you for your inquiry of January 20 concerning the custody of the child of Mr. and Mrs. $\tt Tim\ Stoen.$

I asked that the issue you described in your letter be investigated and that a report be made to me. I have been advised that the U.S. Embassy in Georgetown, at the request of Timothy Stoen's parents, expressed its interest in this case to Guyanese authorities solely to explain our hope that the custody dispute be adjudicated fairly and impartially. The Embassy has not taken sides in what is essentially a civil dispute between two groups of Americans, and the Embassy has exerted no pressure on the Guyanese Government to rule on this question in favor of one side or another

The inquiries made by the American Embassy on behalf of the child's parents were normal protective services which any American citizen abroad can expect to receive from his government. The inquiries were not in any way directed to the substance of the case which is presently before the courts.

Mr. Richard D. Tropp,
P. O. Box 15157,
San Francisco, California 94115.

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I trust this information will help you to understand more fully the role that the U.S. Embassy has played in this case. If you have any further questions, please feel free to call Ms. Elizabeth Powers in the State Department's Office of Special Consular Services on 632-9461.

Sincerely,

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March 2, 1978

Ms. Carolyn Thomas 99° Divisadero Apt. 104 San Francisco, CA 94117

Dear Ms. Thomas

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In response to your letter on behalf of the People's Temple Christian Church, my intervention in the case of John Victor Stoen, age 6, was requested by the District Attorney of San Francisco, Joseph Freitas, who furnished us with a copy of a child custody order from the San Francisco Superior Court dated November 18, 1977.

It is my understanding that John Victor Stoen's birth certificate filed in Sonoma County, California, reflects his birth on January 25, 1972, to Grace Lucy Stoen and Timothy Oliver Stoen at Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital.

It is apparently uncontested that Mr. and Mrs. Stoen were married at the time of the birth of the boy to Mrs. Stoen. It was my understanding when I practiced law in California for some years, that the presumption that the lawful husband was the father of the child is irrefutable since it is the law's intention that no child be made illegitimate by the claim of third persons that someone else was the father. The purpose behind this law of the state of California is to protect the child's right to legitimacy, rather than to protect the rights of the husband or mother.

Under these circumstances, it seems entirely appropriate for a Superior Court of the State of California to grant custody to a child born in California to the child's natural mother, reserving custody rights to the individual who is listed as the husband on the child's birth certificate.

Should Reverend Jones be indeed the natural father of John Victor Stoen, this would not in any way remove the child's right to the presumption of legitimacy which is given him under California law. As I understand Reverend Jones' position, he is in effect claiming that the child is a bastard; this the California law refuses to accept.

Ms. Carolyn Thomas Page Two March 2, 1978

Under these conditions, I think it entirely appropriate that the United States government seek the assistance of the Guyanese government to prevent the bastardizing of a U.S. citimen, particularly one who is only six years of age. While freedom of religion is a basic right in America and guaranteed by our Constitution, I know of no honorable religion, particularly one headquartered in California, which would deny the right of our courts and our law to determine the legitimacy or illegitimacy of any child born in California.

I can appreciate your sympathies with Reverend Jones particularly if he is indeed the natural father, but the rights of the child in this case are properly protected by the government until such time as the child is old enough to make his own decisions.

Because your letter is only one of a number of others relating to this case, I am taking the liberty of sending a copy to each of the other individuals who have made similar inquiries.

Respectfully,

Paul M. McCloskey, Jr.

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President Carter The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Carter:

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"I am Dennis Banks, leader of the American Indian Movement. I am writing out of concern for my good friend, Jim Jones, who has been a loyal and tireless friend to the Indian people, and to all oppressed minorities in the United States. I understand his work in Guyana, as well as his small son, John, are being threatened by some very ugly methods. As a champion of justice through thick and thin, there is no one who could deserve such treatment less than Jim Jones.

I first met Rev. Jones when my wife, Ka-Mook was imprisoned in Kansas, on false charges that were later dropped. At that time, we were penniless and her bail was \$20,000. She had our baby in jail, with the baby immediately removed from her and she was never given the proper medical attention that she needed. Jim Jones learned of our plight, and I was invited to come to the Peoples Temple church along with several of my associates from AIM. The same night I came, Jim Jones raised the money for Ka-Mook's bail from members of his congregation. I couldn't believe that these people, many or most of whom were from poor backgrounds themselves, were making this kind of sacrifice for me. But I learned later that Jim Jones himself has made this kind of sacrifice again and again over the years, and it was just his way, and the way of his people, to extend their help to the farthest limit when an injustice was involved.

Later I witnessed Jim Jones made the object of the same kind of false accusations, and I was pproached myself by a man, David Conn, who said he was working with Treasury Department agents, and said he could give me help avoiding extradition (to a certain death in South Dakota jails) if I would only join the people who were lying on Jim Jones. He also implied that things would go badly for me if I did not agree, and it was clear to me that he was trying blackmail. I refused to go along with this scheme, and later exposed the man publicly for what he had done. This same man told me that one of the people he was working with was Grace Stoen, the mother of Jim Jones' child.

I did not know the background of John's situation at the time, but trusted in the integrity of a man I had seen do so much for me and so many others with no thought of reward or praise. Now that I know the true background of the situation, and how Grace Stoen rejected and abandoned her own son, I can well understand how she was working with these agents to try and destroy Jim Jones and the Peoples Temple plus anyone else who got in her way, because I have fifteen children, Mr. President, and this woman didn't care whether I lived or died, whether my children had a father or not, or whether my people were left without a leader. As you may know, it is also common for Indian children to be

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forced from their natural homes and put in foster homes when one parent is gone, so my devoted wife has has the burden of not only my own future, but the future of all the Banks children as well.

One more thing I want to add is that the Peoples Temple are very wonderful people. They work together, and build programs to help children, youth, and senior citizens. They extend friendship and assistance to whomever needs help, and never ask anything in return. Now they are working in Guyana, and saving the lives of Amerindian babies who would have died of malnutrition and gastroenteritis. It take a very sick and cold-hearted person to turn against people like that.

I am sure that Jim Jones and his people are the best thing that could happen to Guyana. And Jim Jones being the kind of person he is, I'm sure he will also be making many Guyanese friends for the United States. It would be a terrible tragedy if anything happened that would hurt his son, John who has a wonderful future there. For him to go back to Grace Stoen, who doesn't even want him except to use him to hurt others, would be like having no future at all. It can't even be considered.

I stand behind Jim Jones keeping his son, and the unethical and vicious actions of Grace and Timothy Stoen being stopped. I urge you to do the same, President Carter. Anyone who carries moral authority as you do, cannot fail to see where justice lies.

I also urge you to further a policy towards Guyana that is humane and generous, because we all need to work together more closely in this hemisphere and help developing nations build a good life for their people. The Guyanese are people who were under colonial rule until a few years ago, and they need and deserve whatever aid America can give to them.

Sincerely,

Dennis J. Banks

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February 28, 1978

President Jimmy Carter The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I would like to commend to you highly the work of Reverend Jim Jones and the Peoples Temple. I first became acquainted with Jim Jones when he and his church came out early on behalf of my defense when I was in prison on charges for which I was later vindicated. This was at great risk to himself and his church, because my cause was not a popular one in church circles at that time. But I found on later personal contact with him, and to this day, that he is an ardent spokesman for justice who will speak out whenever he sees individuals or groups unjustly harassed or persecuted, whatever their race, background, or political persuasion. He is a humanitarian in the broadest sense of the word, who renders assistance often at great personal sacrifice, never concerned about what people think of his actions, but only that he is following the right course. He is a great champion of the poor and oppressed of our country, who has been able to organize and mobilize people to struggle for the racial equality and social justice which is our only insurance of freedom in the days to come.

You cannot realize how fortunate you are to have Rev. Jones spearhead his agricultural project in the Third World. He communicates with great sensitivity to Third World peoples, and his commitment to alleviating human suffering can hardly be matched. I am certain his intentions are of the best, and he will be a potent influence for good in strengthening America's relationship with that area of the hemisphere.

I understand efforts are underway to influence Congressmen to exert pressure on the State Department to intervene in a court matter under local Guyanese jurisdiction. This would be a foolhardy move, both from the standpoint of the best interests of the United States, and would surely antagonize the Guyanese, who are very competent to handle the matter, and the many thousands of Peoples Temple members and supporters here in the United States who are prepared to stand by Rev. Jones.

I urge you to give this matter your utmost consideration.

Sincerely yours
INYL G. Davis
Angela Y. Davis

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Congressmen Timothy Wirth Congressmen Prorge Miller Washington, P.C.

Dear Gentlamen:

The progressive stand that President Carter and his administration has taken regarding U.S. and Caribbean affairs is one that I very much agree with. Pealizing that Imbarsador Moung has worked diligently to establish these positive relations, I would hate to see his efforts being undermined. This, I am afraid may happen to some extent because of the presumptuous actions of one U.S. citizen, Tim Steen.

Fr. Stoem has misrapresented his intentions, not only to the Gayanese government officials, but to some U.S. officials also. We is asking different people in the U.S. government to become involved in a private custody dispute within the country of Guyana, So. Imerica. I understand that you gentlemen were approached by Mr. Stoen and he evidently was able to misconstrue some of the facts in this case sufficiently so as to cause you to go against already existing foreign policy of non-intervention in the domestic affairs of sovereign nations.

The United States has some very effective 'goodwill ambassafors' in the nation of Guyana, by the name of Peoples Temple church and Rev. James Jones. There are well over Temple church and Rev. James Jones. There are well over 1,000 people located at the church mission site in the North Test District of Guyana. The services that the various members give to the surrounding communities include access to the Temple's doctor and entire medical staff free of cost; technical training in both agriculture and numerous mechanical area; meality education for children and adults by cortified teachers on location; additional protein supply to the area, introduced by the thousands of chickens, pigs, and various livestock on the project itself, and many, many other aspects as well. Proples Temple also carries in their tan Trancisco based church. Proples Temple also carries on human corvice programs Tan Trancisco based church. Toth the Temple and their pastor, are widely known and respected for the good works they cerry on.

Places Congressman Mirth and Congressman Miller, reconsider your involvement in a matter which should be taken care of solely in the Guyanese court room without intervention from any outside forces.

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Sincerely,

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1409 Shrader Street San Francisco, CA 94117

February 18, 1978

Congressman Timothy Wirth #312 CHOB and Congressman George Miller #1531 LHOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Gentlemen:

As a rank and file trade unionist in San Francisco and other cities for many years, I am very well acquainted with Rev. Jim Jones and his activist church, Peoples Temple. That this church, over a span of two decades, has successfully reached thousands of troubled youth as well as disenfranchised and needy senior citizens, can only be attributed to the man's deep commitment to justice and an egalitarian society. His efforts have resulted in a highly acclaimed agricultural project in Guyana, South America, where hundreds of once incorrigible youth from the inner cities of the United States are now living productive lives, growing and harvesting food for hungry people — of whom there are so many in that part of the world.

Despite the visits of international delegations from many Third World and other developing nations, from top officials in the United States Department of State, all of whom have left the project highly impressed, there have been some unfortunate attempts on the part of certain detractors to try to interfere with the progress there.

Namely, a Mr. Timothy Stoen, has been trying to swing the opinion of the courts in Guyana to his side of a custody case that is being tried there now. To do this, he has evidently encouraged members of Congress and the State Department of our contry to take an adversary role in the issue. If this is the case, I am disappointed with our governmental officials. Recognizing that Guyana is an independent and sovereign nation, and has a legitimate complaint if the United States intrudes in matters that are the country's own internal affairs, I urge you not to endorse any sort of pressure that Mr. Stoen is trying to bring to bear on the Guyanese government or courts.

John Khart Vahen

Thank you. I remain sincerely yours,

Gabriel Schack

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Yvonne V. Nahem cc: Mr. Frank Tumminia Pres. Carter

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Potrero Hill Neighborhood House 953 DeHaro Street San Francisco, California 94107

February 15, 1978

Rep. George Miller U.S. Congress #1531 LHOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Miller:

I have known Rev. Jim Jones of the Peoples Temple for ten years. During this time I have never known him once to refuse to help anyone in need, regardless of race, color, or creed.

He has always believed in lighting a candle rather than cursing the darkness, and his work here in San Francisco and the Bay Area, as well as his devotion to the people and mission in Guyana, are the mark of a man who has devoted his whole life to the service and welfare of humankind.

I am thus dismayed to learn that another round of attacks has been levelled against him -- although I understand that Jesus Christ and Martin Luther King, among many others throughout history, have suffered condemnation and persecution during their lifetimes for wanting nothing more than a better life for the downtrodden.

If you have been used and misled by a detractor in any way who is trying to hinder the work of Rev. Jones and Peoples Temple in their Jonestown agricultural mission, which is making such strides in resource and human development and building a bridge of friendship between Guyana and the United States, I am very sad. Because if such a beautiful work for the people could just be left alone to develop in peace, the world would see a candle of hope become a flame of inspiration for others to follow. All of us have much to learn about living together in racial and economic equality as the Peoples Temple is doing. is doing.

I implore you to withdraw any commitment you have or may have made inadvertently on behalf of one who is bent on throwing the work of peacemakers to the wind and who may well be receiving money to do it.

Sincerely yours,

Enola D. Maxwell, Executive Director

cc: Congressman T. Wirk President Jimmy Carter

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WILLIE L. BROWN, JR. MEMBER OF THE ABBLINGS, 17th BIRTHICT BAN FRANCISCO

February 27, 1978

The Honorable Jimmy Carter
The President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennslyvania St.
Washington D.C.

Dear President Carter:

It is an honor for me to write on behalf of Rev. Jim Jones, a rare human being and leader of the first order. He has been unjustly maligned in recent months, but is presently undertaking a remarkable agricultural mission in Guyana, South America, the reality of which flies in the face of all its detractors. Rev. Jones, more than any other minister the Bay Area has seen, did wonders for this community in terms of tackling ingrained social problems, such as drug abuse, crime, and unemployment. I have no doubt that his inspirational leadership is motivating the Peoples Temple members in Guyana to even greater achievements now that they are established on their own territory free from the tensions and hinderances of urban life.

As a leader within the minority community of San Prancisco and of the State of California, I can speak to the tireless efforts Jim Jones extended to virtually everyone in need of assistance when he was a resident of our city. The Third World community knows and respects him well. A man this noteworthy for his high principles, ceaseless work, and extraordinary ability to motivate others is surely the best representative our country could hope to have in the emerging Third World nation of Guyana. I have confidence that Jim Jones' community can only reflect well upon both America and the Guyanese.

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February 19, 1978

President Jimmy Carter
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Carter:

I am the Supervisor for District Five in the City of San Francisco. The Peoples Temple Christian Church is not located in my District, so I have no political ties or obligations to this church. I am writing to call an urgent concern of theirs to your attention. I am concerned at what I understand is the endomment of some of our Congressmen for the efforts of Timothy Stoen against Rev. Jim Jones and the Reoples Temple. There are some facts I feel you should be informed of;

Rev. Jones is widely known in the minority communities here and elsewhere as a man of the highest character, who has undertaken constructive remedies for social problems which have been amazing in their scope and effectiveness. He is also highly regarded amongst church, labor, and civic leaders of a wide range of political persuasions. Our own Board of Supervisors has presented Rev. Jones with a Certificate of Honor, unanimously passed by all members, praising the church for its many projects "which have been so beneficial to all the citizens of the Bay Area." On the same occasion, he was also presented with a unanimously passed resolution by a Republican State Senator, Milton Marks representing that legislative body.

Timothy and Grace Stoen, the parties that are attempting to damage Rev. Jones' reputation, and seriously disrupt the life of his son, John, have both already been discredited in the news media here. The most widely-read columnist in the area, Herb Caen, printed Mr. Stoen's sworn testimony that John is not his child but rather Rev. Jones. Grace Stoen is reported involved in what could be considered a black-mail attempt against another leader in the minority community, Dennis Banks, reported in the two major dailies with her name also given in Mr. Banks' sworn affar avit about the attempt.

It is outrageous that Timothy Stoen could even think of flaunting this situation in front of our Congressmen with apparently bold-faced lies. I have learned in addition, that he has pressured these Congressmen towards unwitting compliance with promoting State Department intervention in the custody case now pending in Guyana.

Not only is the life of a child at stake, who presently has loving protective parents in Rev. and Mrs. Jones, but our official relations with Guyana could stand to be jeopardized, to the potentially great embaranement of our State Department.

Mr. President, the actions of Mr. Stoen need to be brought to a halt. It is offensive to most in the San Francisco community, and all those who know Rev. Jones to see this kind of an outrage taking place.

Respectfully, Wil

Harvey Milk

cc: Rep. John Burton; Rep. Phillip Burton; Lt. Gov. Mervyn Dymally

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By K. Connie Kang

Peoples Temple is suing a former church member, Timothy Stoen, for \$150.5 million.

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And, Stoen, who is in private legal practice here, says he is "delighted."

In a Superior Court suit flied yesterday by lawyer Charles Garry, Peoples Temple and two members ctaimed that Stoen had violated attorney-client privilege by using the information he gained as a lawyer for the church to represent former church members in bringing legal actions.

The suit said Storn served as chief legal counsel for the church from 1970-77.

But Stoen said that's not true. "The attorney for the church was Eugene Chalkin."

Stoen said the latest suit shows that Jimmy Jones and Charlie Garry are very frightened about the truth behind the lawsuns Stoen has filed, and they're afraid to take the suits on the merits."

The Peoples Temple suit against Stoen claimed that Stoen's aon, Victor, 4, who is in Guyana, South America, was sired by Jones, leader of the church, also in Guyana,

It claimed that a custody battle between Stoen, his ex-wife, Grace Stoen, and Jones had 'engendered feelings of great bitterness and bostility" in Stoen and made him turn against the church.

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FIMOTHY STOEN
Says he is 'delighted' about it

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Peoples -Temple Sues Ex-Counsel

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While Stoen was on the Mendocino district attorney's staff from 1970 to 1976, and an assistant district attorney in San Francisco from 1976 to 1977, the temple lawsuit said, he also was Peoples Temple's chief legal adviser.

Since falling out with Jones and leaving the church, the lawout said. Stoen has used the confidential information obtained from his former client to file litigation against it.

The suit asks for \$50 mSlion in general damages, \$100 million in punitive damages for Peoples Temple and a \$500.000 legal fee for Garry.

CHARLES R. GARRY, ESQ. GARRY, DREYFUS, MCTERNAN, BROTSKY, HERNDON & PESONEN, INC.
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SUPERIOR COURT.OF CALIFORNIA

IN AND FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

PEOPLES TEMPLE OF THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST, a nonprofit corporation, JEAN F. BROWN, and JAMES MCELVANE,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

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TIMOTHY OLIVER STOEN,

Defendant.

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NO.

COMPLAINT FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER, PRELIMINARY AND PERMANENT INJUNCTIONS, AND DAMAGES [C.C. § \$3333, 3422; C.C.P. § \$526, 527]

Plaintiffs allege:

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Plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE OF THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST. hereinafter "PEOPLES TEMPLE," is, and at all times mentioned herein was, a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California, with its principal place of business in the City and County of San Francisco. Plaintiffs BROWN and McELVANE are individuals and

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are members of plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE.

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Defendant is, and at all times mentioned herein was, an attorney at law with his office in the City and County of San Francisco.

III

Defendant served as chief legal counsel for plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE from 1970 until approximately August of 1977. He represented plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE in various litigation matters, drafted various legal documents for plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE, drafted amendments to PEOPLES TEMPLE corporate articles, drafted PEOPLES TEMPLE's corporate bylaws, wrote numerous letters on behalf of plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE, and negotiated numerous transactions, including real estate transactions, on behalf of plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE, as its attorney. As legal counsel he routinely gave legal advice to the Board of Directors, officers and members of plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE, including plaintiffs BROWN and McELVANE.

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During his years as legal counsel to plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE, and in the course of the attorney-client relationship between plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE and defendant, defendant acquired an intimate knowledge of the confidential affairs of each of the plaintiffs. Defendant obtained confidential information concerning all aspects of plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE's organization, finances, real estate transactions, methods of

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operation, and relationships with members, former members, and relatives of members.

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In his capacity as legal counsel for plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE, defendant planned, guided and arranged various real estate transactions between it and its members. In particular, defendant planned, advised and arranged the transfer of certain real property in the County of Los Angeles from Wade B. Medlock and Mabel M. Medlock to plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE.

VI

In his capacity as legal counsel for plaintiff, defendant counseled and advised members of plaintiff PECPLES TEMPLE concerning possible legal problems that might arise as a result of the hostility of some of their relatives to plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE. In particular, he advised member Maria Katsaris concerning possible legal problems that might arise because of her father's hostile attitude toward plaintiff. During the course of his consultations with Maria Katsaris, as attorney for plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE, defendant obtained confidential information concerning her relationship with her father, STEVEN A. KATSARIS, and certain sexual advances made by her father towards her when she was a child. In April or May, 1977; defendant advised plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE and Maria Katsaris that she should go to Guyana to avoid the possibility of her father's instituting conservatorship proceedings against her and that, in the event her father should pursue her to Guyana, the

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sexual advances towards her by her father should be made public.

VII

In February 1977 defendant STOEN joined Reverend Jim Jones and the Peoples Temple commune in Guyana, South America. In September 1976 defendant had sent John Victor Stoen, a four year old boy born to defendant's ex-wife, Grace Stoen, there. Defendant had previously admitted, in an affidavit signed in 1972, that this child was the son of Jim Jones. In that affidavit defendant stated that he had asked Jones to sire a child for him because he had not been able to do so himself and, in his admiration and respect for Jones, wanted him to father the child. See Exhibits C-1, C-2 and C-3, attached hereto.

VIII

During the period in which defendant was a member of and legal counsel for PEOPLES TEMPLE, he appeared and said he was devoted to the PEOPLES TEMPLE and its cause, and to its Pastor, the Reverend Jim Jones. As late as August 1977, he stated that he had esteem for Jones and that Jones helped him to develop an empathy toward the persecuted. As a result defendant said that he intended to develop a national law firm to help people who are prosecuted on some pretect, for their religious beliefs. At that time, defendant STOEN threatened to file a libel suit against New West Magazine and the Mendocino Grapevine because of various allegations against the PEOPLES TEMPLE and STOEN that appeared in those publications. See Exhibits A and B

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In August 1977, while still counsel for the plaintiff, a custody battle ensued between defendant, his ex-wife Grace Stoen, and the Reverend Jim Jones. This battle was accompanied by a great deal of publicity. In February 1978 defendant STOEN claimed to have spent over \$18,000 in the attempt to return the boy to Grace Stoen. See Exhibit D, attached hereto. During this battle the affidavit described in Paragraph VII, supra, was made public.

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The battle described in Parigraph IX, <u>supra</u>, engendered feelings of great bitterness and hostility in defendant STOEN, directed towards Jim Jones, the PEOPLES TEMPLE, and all of its directors, officers and members. As a result of the bitterness and hostility engendered by this custody battle, defendant began a personal vendetta against Jones, the Temple, its directors and officers and all of its members, including plaintiffs herein. The actions described in the following paragraphs of this Complaint were all taken as a part of this personal vendetta.

XI

Defendant has solicited and continues to solicit, and has accepted and continues to accept, employment which is adverse to the interests of plaintiffs and each of them, and in the course of that solicitation and employment has used and continues to use confidential information received during the

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course of his attorney-client relationship with plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE.

XII

On May 22, 1978 defendant filed a complaint for compensatory and punitive damages for libel on its face and for slander, in the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Mendocino, Civil Action #39911, on behalf of Steven A. Katsaris, against, among others, plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE. The allegations of that complaint concern the relationship between Maria Katsaris and her father, Steven A. Katsaris, and various statements allegedly made concerning that relationship. See Exhibit E attached hereto.

IIIX

On June 7, 1978, defendant filed a complaint for compensatory and punitive damages for conversion based on coercion and for intentional infliction of emotional distress, in the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Los Angeles, Civil Action \$243292. That complaint was filed on behalf of Wade B. Medlock and Mabel M. Medlock against, among others, plaintiffs PEOPLES TEMPLE and McELVANE. The subject matter of that action is the real estate transaction referred to in Paragraph V, supra. See Exhibit F attached hereto.

XIV

On June 22, 1978 defendant filed a complaint for compensatory and punitive damages for intentional infliction of emotional distress and for libel on its face, in the Superior

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ARRY, UREYFUS, WETERNAN, BROTENS HERNDON SOUGH; INC. 1156 MARRET BTI...T AT CIVIC CONTEN BAN TRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 1219. TEC. 884-3131 Court of the State of California in and for the City and County of San Francisco, Civil Action \$739907. That complaint was filed on behalf of James Cobb, Jr., against, among others, plaintiffs PEOPLES TEMPLE and BROWN. The allegations of that complaint concern various incidents about which defendant obtained confidential information during the course of his attorney-client relationship with plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE.

See Exhibit G attached hereto.

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Defendant utilized confidential information obtained during the course of his attorney-client relationship with plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE in drafting the complaints described in Paragraphs XII-XIV supra, and will continue to use such confidential information in the prosecution of those actions unless and until he is enjoined by court order from so doing.

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Defendant's wrongful conduct, as alleged in the preceding paragraphs of this Complaint, unless and until enjoined and restrained by order of this Court, will cause great and irreparable injury to plaintiffs and each of them in that each of their reputations will be damaged by the publicity generated by suits brought against them by defendant in the course of his campaign of harassment and persecution, plaintiffs and each of them will be forced to spend countless hours in the defense of these suits, and plaintiffs and each of them will be prejudiced in the defense of these actions by defendant's wrongful and

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illegal use of confidential information in his prosecution of the suits. Plaintiffs and each of them will be further irreparably injured by the fact that confidential information concerning them is being made public by defendant.

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Plaintiffs and each of them have no adequate remedy at law for the injuries currently being suffered and which will continue to be suffered unless and until plaintiff is enjoined from his wrongful conduct, since it will be impossible for plaintiffs or any of them to ascertain the precise amount of damage which will be suffered if defendant's wrongful conduct is not enjoined, and since, if defendant is not enjoined, plaintiffs and each of them will be forced to institute a multiplicity of suits to obtain adequate compensation for their injuries.

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As a proximate result of defendant's wrongful cond. to plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE has been damaged in the sum of \$50,000,000.00 due to damage to its reputation and in the sum of \$500,000.00 in attorneys' fees. Plaintiffs, and each of them, will be further damaged in like manner so long as defendant's conduct continues. The full amount of such damages is not now known to plaintiffs, or to any of them.

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Defendant did the things herein alleged with intent to harass and oppress plaintiffs and each of them, and such acts

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were done maliciously and oppressively. Plaintiffs, and each of them, are therefore entitled to punitive damages in the sum of \$100,000,000.000.

WHEREFORE, plaintiffs, and each of them, pray judgment against defendant as follows:

- For an order requiring defendant to show cause, if any he has, why he should not be enjoined as hereinafter set forth, during the pendency of this action;
- 2. For a temporary restraining order, a preliminary injunction, and a permanent injunction, all enjoining defendant and his agents, servants, and employees, and all persons acting under, in concert with, or for them from:
- a. Soliciting professional employment from ex-members of PEOPLES TEMPLE, relatives of members of PEOPLES TEMPLE, or from any other persons for the purpose of generating suits against plaintiffs or any of them or against any officers, directors, or members of plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE;
- b. Accepting professional employment adverse to his former client PEOPLES TEMPLE or to any directors, officers or members of PEOPLES TEMPLE, including all plaintiffs herein, during the course of which employment he will have or might have occasion to use any confidential information obtained during the course of the attorney-client relationship between defendant and PEOPLES TEMPLE.
- c. Disclosing under any circumstances any confidential information obtained during the course of the

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attorney-client relationship between defendant and PEOPLES TEMPLE, and between defendant and any officers, directors or members of PEOPLES TEMPLE, including all plaintiffs herein, unless such disclosure is with the written consent of the PEOPLES TEMPLE.

- d. Prosecuting any complaint already filed, which was filed in violation of the attorney-client privilege or the prohibition against accepting employment adverse to a former client, during the course of which the defendant will have, or might have, occasion to use any confidential information obtained during the course of the attorney-client relationship between defendant and PEOPLES TEMPLE.
- 3. For damages in the sum of \$50,500,000.00 plus damages in such further sums as may be sustained and as are ascertained before final judgment herein;
 - 4. For punitive damages in the sum of \$100,000,000.00;
 - 5. For costs of suit herein incurred; and
- 6. For such other and further relief as the Court deems proper.

Dated: July 3 , 1978.

CHARLES R. GARRY Attorney for Defendants

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I Frances R. Muchnich, declare under penalty of perjury that the following is true and correct:

- On Sunday, the 7th of May, 1978 around 7:30 p.n., I received the following phone call from a Mr. Timothy Stoen:
- TS Mrs. Frances Muchnick? I don't know whether you remember me or not, but I not you some years ago at the People's Temple Church in Redwood Valley, and I' calling to let you know of a mass Protest Meeting to be held in front of the Federal Building in San Francisco on Wednesday, May 10th.
- Fil What kind of meeting?
- TS We are a group of 25 parents who have children or relatives in the Agricultural Mission in Guyana, and they are being held there incommunicado. There is no way we can reach them by phone or radio or get to see them. Five parents have traveled to Guyana and came back without seeing their children. I understand that your children and grandchildren are there also.
- El Yes, my grandchildren are there, and my son-in-law is there, but my daughter Claire is still here in Redwood Valley. By the way, how did you ever get my number to call me?
- TS Oh, I didn't know that Claire was still in Redwood Valley, I got your number from Mr & Mrs Janaro, at 763-4119, and they asked me to call you. They wanted you to know what was going on.
- Fil Did you know my Claire and Richard?
- TS Oh yes, very well. I was as dedicated a worker for the Temple as they are, five years ago. But then I began thinking that things were not going exactly as I had contemplated they would, because the more power that Jim Jones possessed, the more he wanted to use. I tried to break away from the church two times I went as far as London to get away from it all, and try to think things out clearly for myself but Jim sent someone after me and begged me to come back. I decided to give it another try. For some reason, I was told to sign a paper saying that Jim was the father of my child (TS didn't say what the reason was), and now I want my child back. I have a suit going in the Guanese courts.
- Fil Fave you ever been to Guyana?
- TS Yes, I spent about 3 months there.
- Fil What did you find there?
- TS It was a very beautiful spot and good food a little starchy, but good. Mach I was there, there were only about 75 people there, and now there are about a loop. So I don' really know what the conditions are there now.

- $\mathbf{F}\mathbb{H}=\mathbf{I}$ understand that Jonestown is in a remote region and difficult to get to.
- TS The difficulty was in getting out of there, once you get in Now, no one can leave. The nail is definitely censored in Jonestown. I know that first hand.
- Fil If the people in Jonestown are being held captive or against their will, how come you don't go to the government for help in getting them released?
- TS Oh, I did. I spent two weeks in Washington, trying to get through some of the buracracy there trying to get people to listen to me. I spoke to (or THET, meaning the group) Prime Minister Burnham about investigating Jonestown.
- Fil Do you know Lt. Governor Dynally?
- TS Very well. In fact, he was on the plane with me when I went to Guyana.
- FM Well, it is my understanding that Lt. Gov. Dynally was very favorably impressed with what he found there, and came back full of enthusiasm with the progress and the life style program that they are accomplishing in Jonestonn.
- TS He was very impressed at that time, but we have been talking to him and he is weakening in his opinion of Jonestown since we have been informing him and putting on some pressure. Jim Jones is a master at mind control, is power mad, it has gone to his head, is paramoid and can't take criticism of any kind. Claire and Richard are completely under the influence of Jim, are very loyal to him and would do anything he asked Claire would even kill someone if he asked her to.
- Fil I have complete confidence in the intelligence of Claire and Richard and their ability to judge what is right for them and their children:
- TS People are afraid to come forth and expose Jim and the Jonestown situation for fear of retaliation by Jim or his henchmen several people were threatened that their homes would be burned, but when they came forth nothing reall; happened to them or their homes.
- Fil Have you ever witnessed any physical violence against members of the church, or anyone who tried to leave the church?
- TS When I was a member I saw, (I think he said Jim) paddle people as punishment.
- T3 I just wanted to let you know what we are trying to do. We are asking Jin to please let our children come back here for one week (at our expense) so that we can see them again, and let them decide for themselves whether they want to return to Jonestown or not. If they decide that they want to return to Jonestown, we will send them back.
- Well, that sounds like a fair enough request.

- TS Also want to let you know that Jin wrote letters to all of our Senators and Congressmen, saying that he would rather die than be harassed from continent to continent. Jin has strayed so far from the original concept of a better world to live in, is so inflated by his power, that if things don't go Jin's way, Jin could get his followers to partake in a mass suicide action if he so decreed.
- TS If you want to reach me for any reason, or any further information as to the progress of the group, feel free to call me at my law office in San Francisco, on Montgomery Street. The number is 391-5020.
- Fil Are you calling me from Los Angeles.

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- TS No, I'm calling from San Francisco
- Fil This really is a long toll call. I want to thank you for calling ne and telling ne about your group, but I still have all the confidence in the world in the judgement of Claire and Richard.

The above pieces of conversation may be out of sequence, but considering the emotional duress I was going through hearing all of these things, and knowing that they are out to destroy this miraculous achievement by a group of valiant and courageous people under the leadership of a man they dearly love and respect, Jim Jones, - the above is as near as I can recollect - it may not be verbatum, but it is to the best of my knowledge and memory.

Executed on Mar Sth, 1975 at Los Angeles, California.

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AND PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

PLAINTIFFS ARE ENTITLED TO A PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION TO PRESERVE THE STATUS QUO PENDING A DETERMINATION OF THE MERITS OF THIS ACTION.

In determining whether to grant a preliminary injunction the trial court must balance the equities and determine which party is more likely to be injured by the exercise of its discretion.

The discretion must then be exercised in favor of that party.

Continental Bakery Co. v. Katz, 68 Cal. 2d 512 at 528 (1968);

California State Univ., Hayward v. National Collegiate Athletic

Ass'n., 47 Cal. App. 3d 533 at 544 (1975).

In the above-entitled case the equities are clearly on the side of plaintiff. The facts, as set forth in the Complaint and in the Declaration of Carol Stahl, show that defendant STOEN is engaged in a personal vendetta against plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE, the Reverend Jim Jones, and all of the other plaintiffs herein. In the course of that vendetta he has solicited, and continues to solicit, professional employment adverse to his former clients, plaintiffs herein, in the course of which he has disclosed, and will continue to disclose, confidential information obtained during the course of his attorney-client relationship with plaintiffs. This conduct is prohibited by California Business and Professions Code Section 6068(e), which states:

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It is the duty of an attorney: . . .

(e) To maintain inviolate the confidence, and at every peril to himself to preserve the secrets, of his client.

The conduct engaged in by defendant and described in the Complaint and Declaration of Carol Stahl in the within-entitled case is also prohibited by California State Bar Rules of Professional Conduct, Rules 2-101, 2-110, and 4-101. Rule 2-101 states in pertinent part:

A member of the State Bar shall not solicit professional employment by advertisement or otherwise.

Rule 2-110 states:

A member of the State Bar shall not accept employment to accomplish any of the following objectives, nor shall he do so if he knows or should know that the person who employs him wishes to accomplish any of the following purposes:

(1) Bring a legal action, conduct a defense, or assert a position in litigation, or otherwise take steps, solely for the purpose of harassing or maliciously injuring any person or to prosecute or defend a case solely out of spite.

(2) Present a claim or defense in litigation that is not warranted under existing law, unless it can be supported by good faith argument for an extension, modification or reversal of existing law.

(3) Take or prosecute an appeal solely for delay, or for any other reason not in good faith.

Rule 4-101 states:

A member of the State Bar shall not accept employment adverse to a client or former client, without the informed and written consent of the client or former client, relating to a matter in reference to which he has obtained confidential information by reason of or in

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the course of his employment by such client or former client.

An attorney is forbidden to do either of two things after severing his relationship with a former client. He may not do anything which will injuriously affect his former client in any matter in which he formerly represented him nor may he at any time use against his former client knowledge or information acquired by virtue of the previous relationship. Wutchumma Water Co. v. Bailey, 216 Cal. 564 at 573 (1932); Sheffield v. State Bar, 22 Cal. 2d 627 at 630 (1943); Earl Scheib, Inc. v. Superior Court of Los Angeles County, 253 Cal. App. 2d 703 at 706.

The courts have interpreted these rules to forbid subsequent representation of another against a former client not merely when the attorney will be called upon to use confidential information obtained in the course of the former employment, but in every case when, by reason of such subsequent employment, he may be called upon to use such confidential information. Galbraith v. State Bar, 218 Cal. 329 at 332-333 (1933); Sheffield v. State Bar, supra at 630; Earl Scheib, Inc. v. Superior Court of Los Angeles County, supra at 707.

The injunction sought herein seeks only to restrain defendant from engaging in conduct which is clearly prohibited by Business and Professions Code Section 6068(e) and Rules 2-101, 2-110, and 4-101 of the State Bar Rules of Professional Conduct, as those Rules have been interpreted by the California Supreme Court. This restraint is necessary to prevent further

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The purpose of a preliminary injunction is to preserve the status quo pending the final determination of the merits of the action. Continental Bakery Co., supra at 528; United States Hertz, Inc. v. Niobrara Farms, 41 Cal. App. 3d 68 at 79 (1974). Such preservation is obviously crucial in this case. Defendant filed three suits in the course of the thirty day period between May 22 and June 22, 1978. If he is not restrained by court order, he will continue to solicit adverse employment and to file suits against plaintiff, all to the detriment of plaintiff's reputation, and to their damage through the disclosure of confidential information, and the expenditure of time, money and energy in defense of these suits. The status quo can be preserved only by the issuance of the court order requested herein

II. PLAINTIFFS ARE ENTITLED TO A TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER, BECAUSE PLAINTIFFS WILL SUFFER IRREPARABLE INJURY UNLESS DEFENDANT IS RESTRAINED BY COURT ORDER, FENDING A HEARING ON THIS MATTER, FROM THE ACTIONS COMPLAINED OF HEREIN.

C.C.P. \$527(a) provides that a temporary restraining order may be granted without notice where great or irreparable inury would result to the applicant before the matter can be heard on notice.

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Defendant in this case is involved in a personal vendetta against plaintiffs. In the course of this vendetta he has already filed three suits against plaintiffs and has disclosed much confidential information concerning plaintiffs. Only one of these complaints has been served upon any of the plaintiffs to this date. But if defendant is not immediately restrained from proceeding with the vendetta pending a hearing on this matter, he may succeed in serving plaintiffs with the remaining two complaints, which will generate further damaging publicity. If not restrained, he may also disclose further confidential information and file further suits, all to the irreparable injury of plaintiffs and each of them, as described above and in the Declaration of Stahl.

CONCLUSION

For all of the reasons stated above, plaintiffs respectfully request that the Temporary Restraining Order and the Order to Show Cause attached hereto issue forthwith.

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DECLARATION OF CAROL STAHL IN SUPPORT OF COMPLAINT FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER, PRELIMINARY AND PERMANENT INJUNCTIONS, AND DAMAGES

Carol Stahl declares:

 I am president of plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE OF THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST (hereinafter "PEOPLES TEMPLE"), a nonprofit corporation.

 I have personal knowledge of the following facts and an competent to testify as to the truth of these facts if called as a witness.

3. Defendant TIMOTHY OLIVER STOEN served as legal counsel for PEOPLES TEMPLE from 1970 until approximately July of 1977. He represented plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE in various litigation matters, drafted various legal documents for plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE, drafted amendments to PEOPLES TEMPLE corporate articles, drafted PEOPLES TEMPLE's corporate bylaws, wrote numerous letters on behalf of plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE, and negotiated numerous transactions, including real estate transactions, on behalf of plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE, as its attorney. As legal counsel he routinely gave legal advice to the Board of Directors, officers and members of plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE, including plaintiffs BROWN and McELVANE.

4. On June 5, 1978 I was personally served on behalf of PEOPLES TEMPLE with a complaint for compensatory and punitive damages, filed in the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Mendocino, Civil Action #39911.

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This complaint was filed by defendant STOEN on behalf of Steven Katsaris and against, among others, plaintiff herein PEOPLES TEMPLE. PEOPLES TEMPLE has already been forced to spend considerable time, energy and funds in responding to this suit. I am aware of at least two other suits filed by STOEN against PEOPLES TEMPLE and the other plaintiffs in this action, though none of the plaintiffs herein has yet been served with these complaints. One of these complaints was filed on June 7, 1978 in the Superior Court in and for the County of Los Angeles, Civil Action #24392. This complaint was filed by defendant STOEN on behalf of Wade B. and Mabel M. Medlock against, among others, plaintiffs herein PEOPLES TEMPLE and McELVANE. The other complaint was filed on June 22, 1978 in the Superior Court in and for the City and County of San Francisco, Civil Action #739907. That complaint was filed by STOEN on behalf of James Cobb, Jr. against, among others, plaintiffs herein PEOPLES TEMPLE and BROWN. These complaints may be served upon the plaintiffs herein, or any of them, any day. As soon as the above-described complaints are served on plaintiffs, or any of them, plaintiffs and each of them will be forced to expend more time, energy and funds responding to these suits.

5. In drafting these complaints defendant utilized and revealed confidential information obtained during the course of his attorney-client relationship with plaintiffs and each of them, without the consent of plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE or any other plaintiff herein.

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6. The filing of each of the suits described in Paragraph 4 supra generated a multitude of news stories adverse to plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE and to the other plaintiffs herein. These stories appeared in newspapers throughout California. The adverse publicity generated by these complaints was particularly adverse in the County of Mendocino, the location of one of the actions. This publicity has caused irreparable damage to the reputation of the PEOPLES TEMPLE and of the other plaintiffs herein.

- 7. Defendant solicited the professional employment within the course of which he filed the suits described in Paragraph 4. He continues to solicit employment adverse to the interests of his former clients, PEOPLES TEMPLE and the other plaintiffs herein, for the purpose of harassing and destroying these plaintiffs.
- 8. Defendant STOEN's solicitation of employment adverse to his former clients, plaintiffs herein, and his violation of the attorney-client privilege of these former clients is a part of a personal vendetta of defendant STOEN against the PEOPLES TEMPLE. He will continue this solicitation and violation of the attorney-client privilege unless and until 21 he is restrained by court order from so doing.
 - 9. The activities described in the preceding paragraphs of this Declaration have caused, and will continue to cause if not immediately restrained, irreparable injury to the reputation of plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE and the other

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plaintiffs herein. Irreparable injury has also resulted, and will continue to result on a daily basis, from defendant STOEM's continued disclosure of confidential information concerning plaintiff PEOPLES TEMPLE and the other plaintiffs herein in the course of his solicitation of employment adverse to plaintiffs berein and his prosecution of the suits already filed.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

This Declaration was executed in San Francisco, California, on July 3, 1978.

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- "I am impressed." —Assistant to U.N. Ambassador Young.
 "Impressive work." —U.S. State Dept. Officer in charge of Guyane, Trinklad & Tobago.
- "Peace and love in action." -Minister of Foreign Affairs,!
 Guyana.
- "A wonderful experience, a model village community to be emulated." —Secretary of Works and Transportation, Guvena.
- "A very pleasant day in a very pleasant atmosphere." -- U.S. Ambassador to Guyana.
- "It's very, very impressive. Thank you for this opportunity and best wishes." —Writer from one of the world's largest news agencies.
- "Pantastic, beyond one's imagination, miraculous, beautiful, a true example of socialist living. Amazing, impressive."

 -visiting teachers' delegation.
- "Incredible, fantastic." —Head and one of the original founders of the Marco Medical Net. (Doctors who provide emergency assistance via ham radio all over the world.)
- "I have been to paradise. It's there for anybody to see...I saw a community where there is no such thing as racism...

 There is no such thing as agaism...I have never seen so many happy faces in my life as I did is Jonestown the three days I was there...Why are those people so happy? They are learning a new social order. They are learning an answer to a better life. When I returned to the States I told my partners in the office that I had seen paradise. From what I saw there, I would say that the society that being built in Jonestown is a credit to humanity."

 —Charles Garry, Attorney.
- "Jonestown is the purest egalitarian society I have ever seen."

 -Distinguished Veterinary Doctor and Chairman of the
 Guyana Livestock Corp.
- "The Peoples Temple Agricultural and Medical Mission is a first-class example of community life. I have never before seen so many people of verying races working happily side-by-side. I couldn't help but be impressed."

 —Guyanese Dental Surgeon.
- "Very impressed with progress since I visited one year ago."
 --Minister of Works and Transportation, Guyana.

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THE STATEMENT OF THE 'CONCERNED RELATIVES' WAS SIGNED BY A CREW OF DISREPUTABLE INDI-VIDUALS, INCLUDING SOME WHO HAVE TRIED BLACKMAIL; HAVE EMBEZZLED FROM PEOPLES TEMPLE WHILE IMPILTRATING IT; HAVE EVEN SEEN INVOLVED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF AMMU-NITION AND HAVE ADVOCATED RIDICULOUS AND MAD SCHEMES OF VIOLENCE IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE 'REVOLUTIONARY ENDS' IN THE CLASSIC MANNER OF AGENT PROVOCATEURS: HAVE USED AND TRAFFICKED IN DRUGS; MOLESTED THEIR CHILDREN: OPERATED CREDIT CARD RACKETS; FORGED CHECKS; STOLEN MONEY FROM THE CHURCH TREASURY: TREATED BLACK YOUNG STERS AS HOUSE SLAVES: ENGAGED IN WELFARE FRAUD AND EXHIBITED HIGHLY UNSTABLE PER-SONAL PATTERNS, INCLUDING SADISM.

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"The chairman of the Guyana Livestock Corporation, a man who is a member of one of the most important business families in Guyana, called his project the parest egalitaries society he had over seen, a community suthess claims. Just this week 35 educators from an attending school district, tagether with a delegation of the most contending students in a matrix untiles, visited us unansousand and spent the entire day. They what overwhelmed with what we are doing. We are making some of friends hour. We are building poodwill. Providing a constructive presence, we can only enhance cooperation and counteract the negative starpetype of North America.

IS PEOPLES TEMPLE **BEING ATTACKED?** BECAUSE:

WE HAVE TAKEN UP FOR JUSTICE AND LIBERATION

WE HAVE PUT TOGETHER SUCCESSFUL SURVIVAL PROGRAMS THAT HAVE MADE THE DIFFER-ENCE FOR THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE, PROVI-DING FOOD, MEDICAL ASSISTANCE, JOBS, TRAINING, & THE KIND OF POWER AND SOLIDARITY THAT RACIST FORCES IN THE U.S. WANT TO KEEP FOR THEMSELVES;

WE HAVE SEVERAL THOUSAND MEMBERS:

WE LIVE A COOPERATIVE LIFESTYLE AND HAVE BEEN ABLE TO GENERATE SOME WEALTH THEREBY, WHICH HAS BEEN USED FOR THE WELFARE OF <u>ALL THE PEOPLE</u> IN HUMAN SERVICE PROGRAMS:

he have been able to put out a free news-PAPER THAT HITS HARD ON INJUSTICE:

"The people involved have been brought together and have been given assurances that they would be backed up on whatever they were trying to do against Peoples Temple. Their number is very small compared to the many relatives and parents who are coming here to visit the project."

"One modical department is known for and wide for its essentions conviews, and many lives have been served. We have programs in agriculture, liverescent development, a complete school system and a heat of community projects. Jour a few days ago, representatives from one of the largest never agencies in the world sport several days with its. Representatives from other never appraises to project as well, and have personnessed it a remarkable, impressive acts secured to a remarkable, impressive acts accommon will be visiting here. They are coming even with a degree of systems because they have been approached by this commutate. We do not set that people who come agree with us,

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however, these relatives are not coming with an intention to home they are very velocent. One is the leader of another shows dense We object to this small committee of "concerned relatives" because firm proof that all involved in that group have tailed about kides ories. That type of element is not reduced by ourselves no people of Guyana.

"We demand that the media, which has shown such eagerness to attack our organization, show equal vehemence in condemning this criminal effort and its perpetrators "

"Young people how me flading productive, new lives, free from the picfalls of inner city environment that would have countd a long personnings of them to become involved in one form of anti-social behavior of another of them to become involved in one form of anti-social behavior of mother-behavior which would have cost the U.S. tempoyers hundred or chousened of dellars. We are three of easing people and organizations that are trying to develop constructive alternatives, to build assoprative liberyies, being harmand unmarchially, lind shout, felody accused of eximes, and, in many cases, brought down. In second months alone, there have been several exam-ples of this in the Buy Arma.

"Have in Goyens, we have some to hold a community for a signific number of people, well over a thousand, who have been bort, engreed, element and and verticated by obvain smallers that provid in the declining laster cities of obvained western codety. Many who were not in each desperate

"Young people here are finding new lives, free from the pitfalls of inner city environment that would have caused anti-eocial behavior in many, behavior that would have cost the U.S. taxpayer hundreds of thousands of dollars."

circumstances have also come so july us and build because of the peachel, natural conferences, ideal weather, and the change to serve. The vest importsy of our members sometime in the U.S.

response or our administration of Mic. It is the instantion of Jim. Jonas, and always has been, to light conditor states than come the derivous, to find and implement constraints reduction teather than money complete about problems. But another than conveyees attacks, we have decided to defend the integrity of our community and our placing to do this. We are confident that people of constinues and principle undestand our pedialon. We make no spalengies for it."

"We are only one of many progressive groups who have been targeted for destruction because we are uniting poor and working-class people across racial lines."

The many expressions of support we have received from members of the community have been very encouraging. If you wish more information or additional iterature, planse cell 921-9634, or write to:
Popilar Temple, 1839 Geory Bird., San Francisco, Chif. 94115.

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Editorial

Trouble brewing in Guyana

A potentially explosive situation is brewing in Jonestown, Guyana.

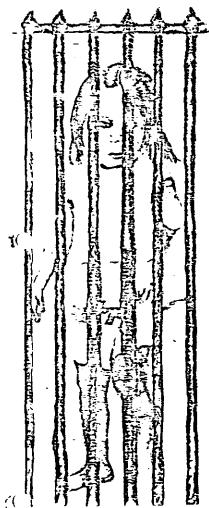
On Tuesday of this week some twenty-five relatives of Jones' followers who are residing in Jonestown, the Guyana settlement, led by Steve Katsaris, went to the Temple headquarters in San Francisco.

Katsaris' 24-year-old daughter Maria, who has resided in Jonestown since last summer, has indicated through letters to her parents that she is satisfied to stay in Guyana. Katsaris accuses Jones of violating human rights by holding relatives as withing captives.

ONE FATHER HAS EVEN THREATENED TO HIRE MERCENARIES TO RAID JONESTOWN AND "LIBERATE" HIS SON BY FORCE. TROUBLE THAT COULD LEAD TO AN INTERNATIONAL INCIDENT MAY LIE AHEAD.

THIS NIGHTMARE IS TAKING PLACE RIGHT NOW

WILL YOU HELP US FREE OUR FAMILIES?



JONESTOWN
CONCENTRATION CAMP
GUYANA, SOUTH AMERICA

WHO ARE THE "CONCERNED RELATIVES"?

We are individuals having only one bond in commorelatives isolated in the "Jonestown" jungle encampment in Guyana, Scuth America, under the total control of one man, Jim Jones. We espouse no political or religious viewpoint. Our only concern is for our families. We are rewildered and frightened by what is being done to them. Their human rights are being violated and the fabric of our family life is being torn apart.

MHAT SPECIFICALLY IS BEING DONE TO OUR RELATIVES

- These are the sad and terrible facts:
- * All decisions in Jonestown are made by one man Jim Jones. There is no democracy. There is n dissent permitted.
- Guard are stationed around Jonestown to preve anyone leaving unless given express permission by the leader.
- Passports and monies are confiscated by Jones upon the arrival of his members in Guyana so that they cannot be "cleared" by the Immigrati Officials to leave Guyana.
- * Long distance telephone calls to the United States are prohibited as part of Jones' campaign that all family ties be cut in favor of his "Lause".
- * All incoming and outgoing mail is censored.
- * Barbed wire fences have been built to prevent escape.
- Closed circuit television has been installed for internal surveillance.
- * No one is permitted to leave Jonestown except on business for the "cause" and then only in the company of other residents who are require to spy and report back to Jones.
- Each resident is told that if he or she tries to leave the Feoples Temple organization, they will be killed and their hodies left in the jungle.

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* Their leader, Jim Jones, says that a "unanimous vote" of the 1,000 residents of Jonestown was taken to put "our lives on the line".

WHY ARE WE DEMONSTRATING?

Because we are desperate and don't know what else to do. Neither the Guyana government or the United States government thus far has been willing to intervene. Jones simply ignores court orders.

We want our loved ones to be allowed to live in freedom. There appears to be only one way to save our families -- to publicize the truth.

WHAT CAR YOU DO TO HELP US?

Three Things:

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- * Pray for the safe return of our loved ones soon, even if only for a One-week home visit at our expense, return fare being guaranteed, so we can make sure they have free will to choose.
- * Write to the two officials with power to force Jones to respett human rights:

Honorable Forbes Burnham
Prime Minister of the Cooperative
Pepublic of Guyana
Public Buildings
Georgetown, Guyana
South America

and

Econorable Cyrus Vance Secretary of State of the United States 2201 C Street N.W. Washington, D.C. 20520

* Give as you feel led to help defray expenses, which are considerable. Send your check to:

CONCERNED RELATIVES
Post Office Box 654
Lafayette, California 94549

THANK YOU FROM THE DEPTES OF OUR HEARTS!

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PEOPLES TEMPLE PRESS CONFERENCE
FOR POSITIVE RELATIVES

TRANSCRIPT OF PRESS CONFERENCE HELD AT THE TRIBLE May 28, 1978, with CHARLES GARRY, and POSITIVE PARENTS: Moore's, Prokes, In Yee Davis

Garry: Velcome to the press conference. The purpose of this press conference is for you to meet some of the people who have been to Guyans, Jonestown - very recently, people who are not members of the Temple, and you will be able to ask whatever questions (you) feel free to ask. I would like to introduce Mrs. Moore, Rev. Moore . . .

Issbel Peron: Can you identify which ones are Temple members? And which ones aren't?

Garry: Yes, I will, and this is Mrs. Davis, whose mother and sister are there . . .

Lu Vee: Hy daughter and grandson.

Garry: I see. And are you a member of the Temple?

Lo Vee: I am a member of the Temple.

Garry: And Ers. Prokes . . . Miss Prokes, whose brother is Hike Prokes, who is there. Are you a member of the Temple?

(Vicki shakes her head.)

And Ers. Prokes, who is the mother of Mike Prokes, who is one of the active tenbers of the Tarple, he's down in Seorgatown, he just resently left Jonestown, and wh, Mr. Collier, who is a number of the Temple, and Rev. Young, on this side, and Jean Erson and Jin Mozlvame, both members of the Temple, and Jean Erson and Jin Mozlvame, both members of the Temple, and I at the atterney for the Temple, and I'm not a member of the Temple. I think we ought to start out first by having the Nev. John E. Moore, who's formerly a methodist superintendent, now has an active partorship I believe in Reno. . .

John Hoore: That's right.

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Gerry: That's where his den of iniquity is. He just recently care from Cayons . . . tell us about your engarishess there.

Jann lacter I'm Jahr Moore, I'm pastor of the First Value of the June of the Courth in Dans, Novada. We have not deliver who we eller of the Tample, of the Tample, obtained by white and I are not nothers of the Tample. One of our daughters, our oldest daughter, has been there a his band a turbor for pathors 8 years, our youngest daughter for about 6 years. One, the older girl, is a teacher, and the younger one is a name. We were in Forestorn just two weeks ago. We wate a week in Gargetorn, and we were article to the Jungles Tample house in Gargetorn, and we were votating for transformation to the project in the applicational project, then on a uncontrol of project forely for three days. And the one want that in the project forely as I was there and or I transformation upon my emperiences were: "impressive" sad "mortaling. It should be project on mind to see their greesive" sad "mortaling. It should be an much could have been done in the relatively short period of time . . .

several years, but the last year in particular, when there's been a large number of people there. Ey wife can share her impression because she reacted and responded in the same way.

Isabel Peron: Sir, did you ever get any impression that people were being kept there against their will, as charges have been mide?

John Hoore: Heither in Georgetown, where there were probably 25 or 30 people living, coming and going, all the time, with total freedom, nor at the project itself, did we - - did I have - - I'll let my wife speak for herself - - did I have any feeling that anybody was being restrained or coerced or intimidated in any way.

Isabel Peron: You were allowed to talk to all of these people?

John Moore: We talked to anybody and everybody that we wanted to.

Isabel Peron: And they told you they were happy, content, and glad to be there?

John Moore: Well, it was so obvious, it seems to me, that I didn't go around with the intention of asking people 'are you happy, are you not happy?' wh, we talked about what they were doing, and what they were interested in, and all of them were engaged in some activities or work that was particularly important for them, they were about business which they regarded as important.

Superme Saumders: Were you allowed to tour the entire famility? (Ch.7)

John Hoore: We were ourselves out, walking around the facility. I think about a thousand acros, 800 erres have been cleared, and it's in the midst of a jumple, and that's part of what's ingressive, and all except a part of the land that's not been finally cleared, has been planted with verious crops. We went to the piggery, the chickery, dairy, to the mill, where the refining, the flour, the tubers from the casseva, we were first impressed, certainly I was, with seeing the older people at the time we arrived about noon, engaged in calisthenies with an instructor, keeping their limbs and joints and muscles limber, and then we went to the nursery, the child care certer. I had a feeling of freedom, but Darbara, how shout you!

Sucerne Samiders: Can I ask you first, thy you went there?

John Moore: We went there to see our daughters.

Sugamme Saumilare: Vere you concerned about them?

John Moore: Of course. We love our daughters, and we'd bean separated from them, we hadn't seen them, our prandson those, we haven't seen that for a year.

Isabelly Percur. Do they have any intention of coming how?

John Hoore: They have no intention of poulng hors, partainly at this circ.
They have become a part of Popples Talgit, Library that a force
to do that, that is their own free decision.

Dick Townsend: How old are they?

John Moore: One's thirty-three. Talk about children - - they're adults. They are both adult . . . she will be 33 this summer, and the other is 24.

Isabelle Peron: Did you find that any other people there wanted to leave the Temple? Any of them have any intentions of coming back to San Francisco?

John Moore: Well, I would expect that in a community of over a thousand people, coming from the United States and going into an agricultural project such as that, that there would be people who would not find it to their liking, and who would want to come back, and who would expect to come back. I didn't talk to any particularly, who wanted to, but what did impress to was that people who were living in Georgetown, in the house there, were all eagerly waiting for the time when they could return to Jonestown, and the project itself.

Isabelle Peron: Did you talk to Rev. Jim Jones while you were there . . . did be express any concern about the charges being made back here?

John Moore: Yes, he did express concern. He's concerned that what they are trying to do, and of the time and the energy and the expense involved in what he regards as totally unfair and unfounded attacks, on Peoples Temple and the project.

Technic Feron: But did he may anything about coming back himself to defend those charges?

John Houre: No, he did not speak of that.

Garry: Why don't you give us your impressions, Mrs. Moore?

Barbara Moore: My impressions are, having just experienced our visit there, that this is a beautiful, heroic, creative project! It is absolutely mirroulous. There are excellent modical services, excallent edinational services, and . . . it's a community of caring and sharing with an added dimension, and this dimension I would say, is love. If you want to use that term; in a sanse it reminds me of . . . a new testament community, in the purest sense of the word, in the love and concern for all, that we observed, and the complete freedom for creativity; those who that to form one forming, these who wish to tench, tend; there was longing an emotilemt mutrationist who is working solecutionally all the time to discover now uses for the indigenous plants and mother there, and is in contact that Saymanne Layers to discover now that the Saymanne Layers to discover now and weeful wous for these worldow comes that. That has more impressive to see the allocating parties, the close follow, who bed their mean librals purely the order follow, who bed their mean librals purely to take closes if they whiched to, or to parties, or to just risk, their librals was a lovely library of over 1 discoverd wellows, from pattern to the each of the allocating of over 1 discoverd well as, from pattern to the allocating and read . . .

Isabelle Peron: Mrs. Moore, what was your initial feeling when your daughters

said that they were going over there, and that they were members of Peoples Temple . . . How long have they been in Peoples Temple?

Barbara Moore: Let's see. I think John said that one of our daughters has been with Peoples Temple about eight years, is that correct? (John agrees) That's close . . . and the other one has been with . . . about 5 years. And my initial reaction, as one of the original Jewish-type mothers, was, I would rather they be closer to me. But I think my reaction was that of anyone whose children have moved a long distance. I would be just as lonely at times . . . if they had moved to France, or England;

Isabella Peron: Well, when the charges were raised, about Peoples Temple and of course the project in Guyama, were you ever concerned about it, or did you think that they knew what they were doing, and that they were dedicated to their church?

Darbara Moore: Yes, there's always a question in one's mind when you read charges.

This bothers one. And yet, if one is concerned, and knows the
people involved, and is familiar with their integrity, and the
kinds of persons, I don't think that... that the charges, uh,
bothered me so much as having my children so far away.

Townsend (or Keeney??): Did Peoples Temple pay your expenses to come to Guyana?

Barbera Moore: Definitely not. No, we went on our own. This was a vacation.

John Moore: We paid our way here, today, too. (Barbara agrees).

Carry: By the way, until I'd seen you sitting at this table, had I ever seen you or ever discussed this with you at any time?

John Moore: No, we never met.

Summen Saunders: Could you tell us what you know about how the place works in terms of people doing different chores, you said, people who want to farm, far, and things like that, but are they paid for their labor?

Darbura Moore: Well, would you like me to answer, or Johns I think John is more efficient at answering techindel questions than I am. No, they are not paid; in a congenitive living situation.

John Moore: It is a cooperative, and as far as I know there is no elchange of money, within the project itself. The food is provided for everyone, there's medical care for everyone, educational opportunities for everyone, there are vork meets and experience for the contars of the community. I think obviously people with certain simils and experience move into those fields. If it's a tool-and-dis outer in a machine shop, or if it's a num in agronomy, they work in these particular fields. On the other hand, some puople have not had the experience in epocific fields. One of the great things, I think, is the opportunity for some of the yranger people, particularly, to be learning shills when that opportunity is not present bore.

Ivan Sharpe: Can you recall anything your daughters said to you about how happy they were? Can you describe?

John Moore: Well, they always write about it in ecstatic terms, don't they?

Barbara Hoore: Yes, they said they really weren't interested in returning to the United States.

John Moore: That's a little bit hard to take, but that's what they said, and that's what they feel, and that's where they are.

Isabella Peron: Are they generally older, younger, or are there a wide spread in terms of ages?

Barbara Hoore: Are you talking about my children?

Isabelle Peron: No, the community.

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John Hoose:

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Earbara Moore: It's a complete city and one thing they do encourage is the nuclear family. There are families there with children. You can choose to have your own home, or if you're a single person, you may live in a dormitory, whichever you prefer. They have a lovely nursery for infants; they have a nursery for todclers, and of course a fine educational set up.

John Moore: They have probably 35 preschoolers, I don't know how many they have in school; they have newborn babies, several babies have been born there. They have a daycare nursery for parents who with, and thore are those who are darring for them; and then they have the older people. That's really a part of the breuty of it, we felt.

Summane Saunders: I'm rather confused about just how many different projects you recall that Peoples Temple has there. You mention

Jonestown, but . . .
Jonestown, the agricultural project, as I recall the sign going in, "Peoples Temple Agricultural Project," the other sign "Jonestown". It's all the same. The agricultural project is at Jonestown. There is a house in Georgetown, and as people come to the country, they of course done to Georgetown.

Isabell Peron: How many buildings are oberel

I could only guess. Horbe 25 places where people - - this is just a guess, could be vey oid. The buildings are no heat. That's trapical plants. For example, where they eat there are mode to protect there from the roid, but the sides are all types. There's a climic. The duotor has his office there. There's a building for the supplies, thate our places for people to sleep. There's the biroker area, the diring area. They have a lumber mill, a modifier show. Then in addition to thin, of course, they have the buildings for the court, the pion, the sheep, and where they do their grinding of the outches.

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Barbara Moore: There are more buildings, than that, excuse me. Vell, there are the shops and the office buildings, but there must be 100 or bo, because of the residences, the homes that they live in as

well as the - - I really couldn't even hazard a guess. It's a whole town.

Isabelle Peron: You sound rather impressed. Would you think it's rather

Utopian there?

Barbara Moore: Oh, yeah. A lovely Utopia.

Isabelle Peron: Did you get any sense of how the authorities regard it?

John Moore:

We didn't talk as I recall with any government authority, but it's my understanding that the school is accredited by — the government of Guyana, that they've had people from the Department of Agriculture and their agricultural stations there working with the people at the project. And certainly they're supporting the health center, there's no question in my mind but that the health center is the best facility in that whole region in Guyana. There is a government, I think, nurse practitioner in Port Kaituma a few miles away, but that simply does not have either the personnel, skills, nor the equipment that they have. The health services are provided for the Amerindians or people who live in the community as well as members of the project itself.

Isobella Peron: What did you say the name of your church was, First Unitarian?

John Noore: No, the First United Mathodist.

(unidentified) Rev. Moore, as your wife said, it was so utopian. Why these negative stories? Why are the stories coming out like this?

John Noore:

First, we did not go down there because we were disturbed by stories. We've lived with criticism. Our children have been involved for a number of years. We went down there because we love our children, and we wanted to see them, and our grandwar. We believe in them and their integrity, and that they're doing what they want to be doing. That's why we want down there. (1901. It gets have different opinions. We as parents have note our desilier as to how to raise our children, and when they brown addits, and our youngest daughter was just out of high school when ale with for live with her sister and chose to become a part of Yeoples Terple. And as they made their choices about their lives, we have supported them in the choices which they nade. Other parents I suspent have more didficulty and perhaps my our history with my our family, that I, the very myror m parents related to me, I can relate to my on children in that way. So there when we've thinking of color process and their concern about their children, I can understand in a sense that the other parents are very different from us in low they relate, and have through the years related to their children. In terms of people who are not parents but are critical, I don't know what their reasons might be. Conscalin, the refin is concern d with what is newsporthy, then that that thet's whatever seems to get people to read or her, that's what is n prion. I ruspect there are a variety of real out only people are critical.

Barbars Moore: I think it's fear too, a fear of something that is unknown, it's a mystery.

(unident.)

But Peoples Temple has always been open to news with information about. . .

Barbara Hoore: Absolutely, yes.

Suzanne Saunders: You may have already said this before - - the population was around 1000, is that right?

Garry:

Well, it was around 900 when I was there in October. I was there for four days, and now there's almost 1500. About 600 or 700 people have gone there since I was there in October. And I might say that the housing - - they put up a cottage in one day. It's all prefab, with this mill that Rev. Moore talked about. I saw them put up a cottage in one day, from the ground on up, ready for occupancy.

I would also like to point out that there were 3 wells that
have been dug. Water is all over the place, both in the
chicken area, where the pigs are kept - by the way, that's
almost a colony itself. That area is about 3 miles away from where the cottages are, so you don't have the benefit of the odors. There the pigs are, it reminded me of a very fancy building in a state fair, didn't it remind you of that, and builting in a state rair, didn't it remine you of that, and was Charlie the pig there? He's my namesake. For instance, the chickens - we had chicken dinner one night, I think it was Thursday. They buckered (I don't think they are the word bute'er, but whatever they use,) they had 250 chickens that they that night. I might also point out that his hitchen is a universal bitchen, and it feeds the entire group. Everypody was the seme thing, and the many is different each and every nice eats the same thing, and the manu is different each and every might. We had fork chops one night, and I applopited to Charlie the next day, it was a matter of necessity. I was particularly impressed - - the day that I got there, Nedensday late in the aftermoon, I flew in from Georgetown, within about an hour and a half bumpy ride on a bus into Jonestown. I was impressed by the redical tempy rice on a bus into Jonestorm. I was ingressed by the reason center particularly. All of the older citizens live right around the medical compound. The redical compound is something that you have never seam, and you protable works see, unless you go there. To's almost a mirecia. This young decreases the vac toolers, Two to produced in him become at the U.C. at Invite, has professed mirables. No one goes there without first being there. They will be about the control of the con physically enumined. (To the Moores: "There you given a physical exemination:")

John Loove:

We waren't, but we've heard of it.

Great:

I went through the physical enumination because for one thirt, lim Jones wanted to be suce his longer wan going to live long enough to represent him. I think there was kind of a selfick interest there. The decorr said to be that people who are there with high blood pressure, and nost of them count there with high blood pressure, and nost of them count there with high blood pressure 3 times a day; number, noon and night. We said after the first 20 days, their blood pressure pass in the least 10% without any redicabler, just the idea, the county large the relating. Another thing there particularly large seal a base in the senior cluitean contributes are ruph anomality and the sequence.

"Did anybody have any difficulties last night?" Can you imagine the feeling of security that these folks have, to feel that somebody cares for them, is interested in them, and will do things for them?

Isabelle Ferone: You've got others that were saying the same things . . . Could we get to another question about Rathy Eunter?

Carry: Feel Free, . . . now, Ers. Davis, she has children there, Hiss Prokes has a brother there, Ers. Prokes has a son there.

Isabelle Peron: In recent days there's been a whole bunch of talk about Kathy Eunter, a reporter who allegedly had been haressed by members from the project because she might bring back negative stories about them. Now is this press conference being held to counter those kinds of negative reports you think she might bring back? What about those allegations?

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In the first place, let's get a few things straight. His. Number telephoned me one time, and she said I on a very close and intimate friend of Jim Jones and I would like to go there. I said, if you've a close and intimate friend of Jim Jones, I would suggest you go down to the Temple in San Francisco, talk to Jean Brown or Tim Clancey or anybody else, and have a telephone/short wave discussion with him. I said, I'm sure it can be arranged. I never hear another word from her. The only other time I heard, I heard from her husband, about 10 days ago. He said, 'his wife is down there someplace and I don't know where she is. Now we ware quite concerned about this, so we contacted the Guyanasse government as to where she was, whether she was there, whether she wasn't there. The Guyanasse government informed or that she name there under false pretences. She was not invited there by the Guyanasse government, and the Guyanasse government researced the lies of her coming down there and making representations. She made a representation that the Frime Minister of Guyana hed invited her. They completely discount hat. That's all we know about it.

Suzamne Saunders: Do you know if she ever got into the project:

Garry: Ho, as far as I'm concerned, she never got into the project. Had she gone to the project, she would have been welcomed by Jim Jones, because there was a personal relationship between Mrs. Hunter and Jim Jones. As a matter of fact, Jim Jones has befriended her, her family, over a long period of years.

IBabelle Perone: Do you know anything about the story of her being in protective custody?

Garry: No, I don't know anything about it. All I know is what
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Isabelle Perone: Eave you talked to Jones or anybody there to . . .

Garry No one has contacted Rev. Jones, and as far as Jim Jones is concerned, he would have been very happy to have her there, becomes there's been this long relationship over a period of rany, many years - There're personal problems with lirs. Eunter that I would just as soon not have to say.

(unident.): She's known Jim Jones for many years - - was she involved with him in any way?

Overry: Well I don't how any of the details except that there are things that Jim Jones has done for her children, her grandhillings.

Jean Ironn: Tell, Hothy Bunter's been of course a long time resident of Ulian, where the Papples Turgle had a choral og alore for a number of years. Jim paid for the birth of her grandson when her own children were in financial straits. He's supported her in unpopular causes that she took on over the years.

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Jean Brown: No. of Chian. Yer hydrand is the editor of the Unich Daily Journal.

Sucamme Saundars: Was she ever a number of Feoples Temple!

Jean Dro-m: No, just a friend, just out of officity for dim Joses.

Carry: They've been good friends.

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He invited her to come out to the project. .TP So she did talk to him on the radio? I defer the question to Mr. Garry though about the JВ personal No I dont think they spoke to each other on the radio. CG at least that was my , but Jim was expecting her. So you're saying she went there without an invitation by Jim Jones ΤP Jim Jones had given her an extended welcome at any time CGto come down there But she never made any plans to see Jim Jones, she never talked to Jim Jones. It was never cleared with the Guyanese government. You've got to get permission to go there. Im sure when the Moores went there, you had to get permission from the Guyanese government to come there. We simply came through Customs. They wanted to know where we would be staying, and we said we were going to Feoples TDmple, and the immigration officer recognized that, JMJonestown, immediately, in fact he said Jonestown So trat's all she would have had to do them, so thorogh Costons, might? I don't think there was any harrassment by the Guyanese government either. There's some personal things that was said to me by her husband that I would just as soon not 00 have to mention. These things happen to people. Mell you've created a stange mystery by even branging it out, which leaves us in some soft of quantity 417 6 15 Diam toli that she has an electrol profiled. That sill entolid to he spiller spouse and last over oblid to he apilist east that lines were. 25 Could you repeat what the pretensions were that she went in there for as you understand it? 9.5 I fight't even thew she was grant to be there. I understree that she was groung to table to former and with our tile details on her grang down trace. But block you say that when sho whoseld the country sill said that she was there by ordination by of the Minasces The said that the Frine Minister to To are personally invited her to come down there. And that she tabled to him. The Frine Consister of Toyana Cross coeffice thrus that schalles

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Yes, as far as I know. We found out, and I personally contacted our lawyer there to find out what's going on. This is the report that we got.

IP When did you get this report?

CG I got this this afternoon.

627 Q Dould you gife this ws to us agin, you said the Minister of Home affars, could you spell his name for us?

CG His name is Vibert Mingo.

McEl You'll find a copy of these things he has said out on the table

CG You want have to write this down, we have it xeroxed for you

637 Q I'm confused on a point, you're talking abut this minister saying that she lied to gain entry to the country, and yet the Moores were just saying on they just went thorugh customs, same as they go through any number of countries.

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Q You didn't apply for any visa

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- 658 % IS Mr. Garry, is there someone, who's the highest Peoples Temple people here?
 - CG I dont know, you see, the organizationd doesn't have what they consider to be who's in charge or who'se the highest official. It's not an elitest organization. Anybody can answer any of your questions. Shoot the question.
 - @ IS Well, I'm just wondering what Peoples' Temple's reaction is to this Kathy Hunter story. Ar you angry, upset, baffled?
 - Yes, all those. Angry. It's a misrepresentation of the pext facts. Mrs. Hunter, as Mr. Garry said, did call. She talked to me. x\$\footnote{\text{xexpressed}\text{xexpressed}\text{xexpressed}\text{to down to South America, and as much as we know, she was planning to do that. The next time I talked to Mr. Hunter, and he said that his wife was stricken and she wasn't traveling anywhere. I don't know what in the interim happered.
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 - JB She said she wanted to go, yes, and we said, as Mr. Garry said, there was no problem. The only thing is, we didn't hear from her after that. There was no communication and the next thing we knew, she was in Georgetown.
- 675 (When was the last time you heard from her?
 - It would have been easily I ronths ago.

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You want our reaction. Well, we're upset. As a matter of fact, Mr. Garry made a very emphatic statement to the Examiner, that there was no terror involved, and put them on notice

I'm concerned about how the media seems to take every opportunity to run away with any kind of semsationalized ditatuion like what Mrs. Hunter's husband - all the complaints I'm seeming to hear comes from what he said went on, and I don't know what his realtionship might be with some of the Concerned Relatives in seeming to cause harrassment continuing against our organization. If it was coming from another point other than George Hunter, I probably wouldn't be saying what Im saying now. But since he has such a close relationship with Tim Stoen and the other Concerned Relatives, if I wasn't a member of this church, it'd be very difficult for me to believe anything

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- 711 (Mr. Garry was this conference called specifically to counter these reports
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That's the only 15 McEl That's all Mr. Garry were you suggesting that we be given a phone number of Peoples Temple that we could contact _ 0 Yes, you can contact Mike Prokes at Georgetown . CG -71924 You have to call the overseas operator JБ and ask for Georgetown, Guyana, and dial 71924, and ask specifically for Mike Prokes. By the way, Mike Prokes was with CBS for a number of ÇG years Q Did he see Mrs. Nunter when whe was down there (cant pick off tape) JΒ My impession is that he has spoken to her; whether CG he has or not, I don't know, I have not spoke n to Mike since I was there in October. (To rear -) but you've tabled to collete in George was end they have tabled to Mrs. Burter - did they - what respected between them? Very warm invitations were extended to come down to the project. As a matter of fact, they had a perty, and I dont think she attended. But then it goes back to a Ĵŝ personal problem Here's an article that appeared in the SF Chronicke, C: Seturday, vesterday -the sarily edition, but 1 dont see it in my home édition tyou might look at this. Is anyondy here from the Chronicle? 165 1 45. Here, this is your own secry on II Stokes Well I didne do se, I Aldre even brow so poo in the filest edition This calls Look Trokes, what he do said, what is fidenary of western as a chromotot was account members; in the Chromoth СG I was told it was the Crammitte institut. ΞE So everyone that has come ison from Devigation has the same utopian picture 5 a

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- CG There are 2 attorneys down there who went down there and won't come back. Ididn't stay but 4 days, I didn't want to get acclimated, I feel I have too much to do here.

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Because so much adverse publicity has been circulated regarding this heroic cooperative of caring and sharing, we felt it important to share our first-hand experience in a town of 1100 people transplanted from Peoples Temple, Disciples of Christ, in the U.S.A.

Our two daughters, one a nurse and the other a teacher with our three-year-old grandson, had written glowing accounts of their life in this unusual project. We wanted to see for ourselves this new land.

We flew to Georgetown, the capital of Guyana, to the Peoples Temple headquarters, which is a lovely home where we were housed with others awaiting a flight to Jonestown, the site of the cooperative. Some of the people we met were planning to retire in Jonestown. One small boy had just had adjustments made on an artificial leg and eagerly awaited the hour-long return flight to the hinterland of Port Kaituma, and then home to the cooperative.

The quaint, attractive government buildings of Georgetown and its friendly Black and East Indian culture in a democratic-socialist country we found most pleasing.

From Georgetown we were flown over a vast ocean of jungle to Port Kaituma where our small plane landed on a tiny air-strip. Members of the Temple met us as our plane arrived and drove us through the exquisite interior region to a turn-off where we observed the sign "Welcome-Peoples Temple Cooperative Agricultural Project".

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What a miracle it is! Over eight hundred acres of jungle have been cleared since 1974, most of it within the last year. All along the road we could see rows of casewas, eddoes, bananas, sugar cane, and citrus groves. Further along the road we saw the "piggery" and the "chickery" and the dairy center worthy of the best in scientific animal husbandry.

What we found at the cooperative was a loving community of people in the true New Testament sense.

Educational facilities and nursery care and equipment are excellent. The school is government accredited, and unusually creative in its approach to the learning process. Teachers are excited by the possibilities for teaching in a setting so different from town and urban schools where they had previously taught.

Medical services under the supervision of a brilliant young doctor, Larry Schacht, are excellent. Larry, a recent graduate of the University of California Medical School in Irvine, is in radio communication with specialists in the United States and South America. His corps of nurses and technicians are well trained, and the scientific equipment is first-class. All retired residents are checked daily. Services are also provided for nearby Amerindians and others needing medical care.

A nutritionist is constantly experimenting with vegetable and fruit products in an effort to discover maximum utilization of food grown in Guyana. The farm is thriving. Meals are a delight and are rich in protein, natural grain and vegetables.

Soccer, baseball, a good band, crafts, a library of 8,000 volumes and outstanding teachers provide recreational and cultural opportunities for the youth of Jonestown. Birds and animals have become community pets. The band often plays for Georgetown events. It's tops!

The nurture of children and family life is evident. Jonestown offers a rare opportunity for deep relationships between men and women, young and old who come from diverse racial and cultural backgrounds. Single adults, one-parent families, and muclear families feel at home in the community.

Jonestown is a mixture of frontier life and contemporary society. The small, neat gardens of the retired residents are in evidence on every pathway. There are opportunities for seniors also to take classes, sew, read, or just to sit. An older woman hoeing her garden brought to mind the words of Micsh (4:4)—"...they shall sit every one under his vine and his fig tree, and none shall make them afraid..."

Whereas life is somewhat simple in Jonestown, the latest equipment and techniques are employed, for example in putting up pre-fabricated houses in one day.

Morale is exceedingly high. There is a sense of ownership which is rare in collective societies and not present under private ownership.

We came away from the Peoples Temple Agricultural Project with a feeling for its energy and enthusiasm, its creative, wholesome ways (imagine no television—but weekly movies for all), and an understanding of the fascination and high sense of adventure it holds for its residents.

John and Barbara Moore

COMMENTS ABOUT JONESTOWN, GUYANA FROM ON-SITE VISITS

- 1. Chief Medical Officer of the Ministry / of Health, Guyana: "Impressive."
- ?. Charge D'Affaires, new assistant to U.N. Ambassador Andrew Young: "I m impressed."
 - 3. Officer in Charge of Guyana, Jamaica, and Trinidad &: Tobago, U.S. Department of State: "Impressive work."
 - 4. Minister of Foreign Affairs, Guyana: "Peace and love in action."
 - 5. Minister of Education, Guyana: "Very impressive."
 - 6. Regional Development Officer, North West Region, Guyana: "Very progressive."
 - 7. Chief Official in the Ministry of Education, Guyana: "Very much impressed with everything, thanks.
 - 8. Head Dental Instructor, University of Guyana: "Excellent community project.
 - 9. British High Commissioner in Guyana: "A most impressive start and I wish you all success.
- 10. Chancellor of the University of Guyana: "Impressive."
- 11. Minister of Agriculture, Guyana: "Very interesting, keep it up."
- (). Minister of Works and Transportation, Guyana: "Very impressed with progress since I visited one year ago."
 - 13. Permanent Secretary of Ministry of Works and Transportation: "A wonderful experience, a model village community to be emulated."
 - 14. Assistant Director General of National Service of Guyana: "Excellent."
 - 15. United States Consulate in Guyana: "A very pleasant day in a very pleasant atmosphere."
- 16. A writer from one of the largest news agencies in the world: "It's very, very impressive. Thank you for this opportunity and best wishes."
- 17. Regional Minister, North West Region, Guyana: "Keep up the good work."
- 18. Thirty-five teachers from the McKenzie District: "Fantastic, beyond one's imagination, miraculous, beautiful, a true example of socialist living." "Amazing, impressive."
- Head and one of the original founders of the Marco Medical Net: "Incredible, fantastic.

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Feb. 28, 1978

CA/SCS - Welfare/Whereabouts Unit

The People's Temple

Attached are three information sheets for use in dealing with correspondence on the People's Temple. Information sheets numbers one and three were cleared by CA, Deputy Assistant Secretary Hennemeyer and Assistant Secretary Watson while information sheet number two was cleared by ARA Special Assistant and Human Rights Officer George Lister.

We trust that these sheets will be useful to you in answering the many queries which have been received on these questions. We do not expect any real change in the case for at least three months so the sheets should be valid for that time.

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INFORMATION DALLET NUMBER 3

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As part of the traditional and internationally sanctioned protection services, officers of the American Pmbassy in Georgetown, Guyana, periodically visit the people's Agricultural Temple located at Jonestown, Guyana. These officers have been free to move about the grounds and speak privately to any individuals, including persons who were believed by their family and friends to be held there against their will. It is the opinion of these officers, reinforced by conversations with local officials who deal with the People's Temple, that it is improbable anyone is being held in bondage. In general, the people appear healthy, adequately fed and housed and satisfied with their lives on what is a large farm. Many do hard, physical labor but there is no evidence of persons being forced to work beyond their capacity or against their will.

Should you have a specific individual about whom you want information, please provide the name of the person and the person's date and place of birth to the Office of Special Consular Services, Department of State, Washington, D.C. 20520, noring the next visit to the People's Temple by an officer of the American Embassy, that officer will attempt to speak privately with the individual in question, convey your concern and report to you.

PA PRESS Thursday, May 25, 1978

denies Peoples Temple

.WASHINGTON - A U.S. official has denied claims by Peoples Temple Church that the State Depurtment has officially refuted charges against the church's South American agricultural mission.

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Claims the department has denied charges against the Guyana mission are contained in a Peoples Temple press release.

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He said the letter is used out of context in the Peoples Temple re-

"They have taken the letter which we have drafted in response to congressional inquiries." he said.

"We have not carried any report exonorating Peoples Temple," lionnecke said.

The State Department statement invites persons who have questions about members of the mission to contact U.S. officials.

"During the next visit to the Peo-

ples Temple by an officer of the American Embassy, that officer will attempt to speak privately with the individual in question, convey your concern and report to you." the statement said.

The Peoples Temple press release cites statements by other visifors to the Guyana mission who praise the church and the work of Rdv. Jones.

Los Angeles California, July 14, 1978

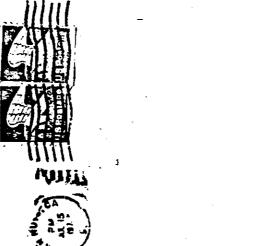
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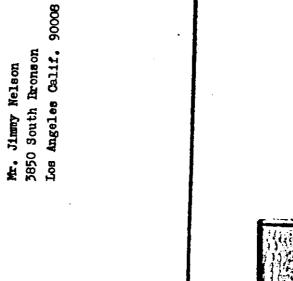
Dear Mr. Nelson, Just a few lines to let you know that I think you should have these papers so you will really know what your sweet wife is involved in.you may be looking for her to come back ,but she won't be back .because she has to-do what that man Jim Jones say. I feel sorry for all of them over there for I have been there, they are in a slave camp some one told me that you are some kind of kin to Pannie C. Hobley there in L.A you may call her she posiabley may know somethin about the mess. I don't know her telephone number but some of those Church members may have her number. from one who cares.

Ray Carter

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THE KATHY HUNTER EPISODE

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS OF GUYANA, HONORABLE MINISTER VIBERT MINGO:

"WE INVESTIGATED AND FOUND HER (KATHY HUNTER'S) STATEMENTS TO BE TOTALLY UNTRUE AND THAT SHE LIED TO GAIN ENTRY INTO THE COUNTRY, WHICH IS A VIOLATION OF OUR LAW."

THIS IS AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT. CALL THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, GEORGETOWN, GUYANA, TO REACH HON. MINISTER VIBERT MINGO TO CONFIRM THIS STATEMENT.

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June 15, 1978

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Dear Mr. Garry:

This is in reply to your letter of June 9th in which you request a retraction having to do with the story carried in the June 8, 1978, issue of The Press Democrat about the 'People's Temple. We also acknowledge the open letter to the media and the community which accompanied that letter.

With respect to your second paragraph, we wish to make it clear that Kathy Hunter did not go to Guyana under our direct assignment and control, and your statement that we sent her "to do a particular type of hatchet job" is entirely out of order. Kathy Hunter was a free-lance writer on her own. There are numerous writers on a free-lance basis with whom we have contact from time to time. Our commitment to her was merely that if she came back with a story we could use, we would buy it from her. At no time was she acting under assignment or orders from us. She was acting completely and totally as an independent entrepreneur, from whom we purchased a product.

Since it is the policy of this paper to provide space for readers to express views or ideas which are contrary to those carried in the paper, we will be running the open letter to the media.

John H. C. Riley General Manager

"I firmly believe from what I have seen that this (the Redwood Empire)

JHCR/SGS is the chosen spot of all the earth as far as Nature is concerned."

—Lather Burthank

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OPEN LETTER TO THE MEDIA AND THE COMMUNITY

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On Sunday May 28, 1978, the Peoples Temple held a press conference to let the public hear firsthand about Jonestown, Guyana from a widely respected United Methodist minister and his wife who had just returned from visiting their two daughters and grandson at the Peoples Temple Agricultural Project. Their comments are attached.

Although most of the major media were present at the press conference, only one reported any of the views of Rev. and Mrs. Moore. The Moores' comments resoundingly refuted the allegations against the Temple based on claims of the so-called "Concerned Relatives" group. With all the attention given by the media over the past year to the "charges" levelled against Peoples Temple and Rev. Jim Jones, it is remarkable that there is such disinterest in giving direct refutation any forum at all.

Rather than covering the Moores' glowing reports of the Jonestown community, the media devoted their attention to a new series of "charges" —all entirely false—relating to the visit of a news reporter, Kathy Hunter, to Guyana. They showed no inclination to search out the facts of the case or even quote the official statement from the Guenese Minister of Home Affairs, whose comment would have resolved the matter completely. The stories that did appear were so filled with errors and contradictions that the public did not get "news" at all, just more fabrication and speculation.

Any objective observer can conclude that the situation involving Kathy Hunter was a publicity ploy. Examination of the coverage, starting with her claim that the Prime Minister of Guyana had personally invited her to Jonestown (which call she later admitted was probably a "hoax"), shows it was nothing but a smear to insinuate that Peoples Temple could possibly be responsible for Kathy Hunter's misadventures.

Peoples Temple wholly denies the recent allegations made by Mrs. Hunter and the various news media. We would like to know who made the alleged invitation over the telephone to Mrs. Hunter, if indeed there was such a call. We would like to know who was responsible for the false fire alarms and the bomb threats and the alleged "bugging" of ner phone; and how the stories of "protective custody" and "interrogation" were invented. It might prove the best lead yet to the source behind the continued smear campaign against the Temple, and the conspiracy which attempted to cut off our members' Social security checks, to interfere with our amateur radio communications between the U.S. and Guyana, the blackmail, payoffs, bribery, electronic surveillance, and attempts to stir up numerous agency investigations based on false charges.

This new "staged event" is reminiscent of the whole campaign against the Temple which was initiated last year by the alleged "break-in" of the New West magazine office. When Rev. Jones demanded a full-scale police investigation, the police found no evidence that any "break-in" had occurred at all.

The following points will recount what actually happened in Guyana, and enumerate all the contradictions and fabrications that were put out to the public as "news":

The entire premise of Mrs. Hunter's visit to Guyana was false: KATHY HUNTER MISREPRESENTED HERSELF TO GAIN ENTRY INTO THE COUNTRY. The Honorable Vibert Mingo, Minister of Home Affairs for the government of Guyana, stated: "Me have investigated and found her (Kathy Hunters) statements to be totally untrue and that she lied to gain entry into our country which is a violation of our law." This statement was released to all the major media. None reported it.

Mrs. Hunter told the Guyanese government that she was a personal friend of the Prime Minister, and that he had invited her to come. Though Mrs. Hunter had been considered a friend by Rev. Jones and the Peoples Temple, she did not inform them of her intended visit until after she had arrived. And though Mrs. Hunter's stated reason for coming to Guyana was to write a story on Jonestown, she refused every invitation to visit the Jonestown project once she was in the country.

Contradictions given out in the press:

1. She went to do a story on Jonestown:

"Her sole purpose was to write an objective story after visiting Jonestown..." [Ukiah Daily Journal, 5/28/78].

She went to do a story on Georgetown:

"She was in that South American country to do a story on the camp in Georgetown..." (KPIX-TV, 5/26/78).

 $\underline{2}$. She went "simply to talk" to the people there:

"According to Mrs. Hunter's husband, George Hunter, Executive Editor of the Ukiah Paily Journal, his wife had gone to Guyana 'simply to talk' to a few relatives of local (Ukiah area) residents serving on the church's 'agricultural outpost' there". (Press Democrat, 5/28/18).

She went to "investigate":

"...a reporter who is in Guyana investigating the controversial Peoples Temple church..." (KCBS radio news, 5/26/18,..

3. She was invited by the Guyanese government:

"Raymond (managing editor of the UDI) said Mrs. Hunter was invited to Suyana by the government there to view Peoples Temple operations in its country." (UDI, 5/26/71).

She wasn't invited by the Guyanese government:

"She (Mrs. Hunter) ... tearned that she had been heaved into believing that Guyana's premier, Forbes Burnham.. had invited her to the South American country." [San Francisco Examiner, 5/30/78]

 $\underline{4.}$ She had the right to be there:

"The reporter had every right to go to Jonestown." (UD) Editorial, 5.28.78).

She didn't have the right to be there:

"...she (Hrs. Hunter) says she was ordered to leave the country because she was told she had lied to the immigration officials." (Ex. 5/30/78).

5. The Guyanese government asked Mrs. Hunter to report on Jonestown. She was also on assignment for the Ukiah Daily Journal:

"...Wrs. Hunter was invited by the Guyana government to report on the activities of Peoples Temple in the South American country... Mrs. Hunter, who frequently works on assignment for the newspaper (Ukiah Daily Journal) sought to investigate the Temple... and to follow up local angles as a result of temple activities at its church in nearby Redwood Valley." (Los Angeles Times, 5/27/78, as per managing editor of the Ukiah Daily Journal).

Mrs. Hunter was not on assignment for the Ukiah Daily Journal. She is not even $\overline{}$

"Mrs. Hunter, who formerly worked for the Daily Journal, but is not employed by the paper on this time and was not on assignment..." (UD), 5/29/78).

6. The Peoples Temple interrogated and threatened Mrs. Hunter, to keep her away from Jonestown so she wouldn't be able to write a bad article:

"Nrs. Hunter has... spent the last seven days in Georgetown's Pegasus Hotel following intensive 'interrogation' by members of Rev. Jim Jones' church... There was apparently a threat, direct or implied, over whether her story would come out pro-Jones or anti-church..." (UDJ, 5/28/78).

Mrs. Hunter claims she ran into no problems at all until <u>Temple members invited her to Jonestown and she refused:</u>

"Recounting her troubles, Mrs. Hunter said everything was 'sweetness and light' until she turned down an invitation by the church to be its guest at Jonestown..." (Press Democrat, 5/28/78).

7. Mrs. Hunter was placed in "protective custody" to keep the Peoples Temple away from her:

"The Guyanese National Police... quietly posted a guard outside her hotel door... a pulice escort to the airport... which would indicate the authorities believed Jones' followers were not above additional harassment..." [UD], 5/28/75;

Temple members visited her after she was confined to her room in "protective custody":

"...she (Mrs. Hunter) was approached. by temple members who offered to allow her to visit the mission, but she had remained in protective custody". (Ex. 5/26/18)

Falsifications given out in the press:

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1. "PROTECTIVE CUSTODY": <u>Kathy Hunter was never held in protective custody</u>. The buyanese government found that Mrs. Hunter had entered the country on false pretenses and falsified her papers on entry. They checked out her story, found she had entered the country in violation of Guyanese law, and also international law which is supposed to be respected in all countries. Finally they asked her to leave. She was never in "protective custody". Temple members had very cordially invited her to visit the Project

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The following media carried the false report about "protective custody":

Which Daily Journal; Press Democrat; S.F. Examiner; L.A. Times; KGO radio news; KCES radio news; KTVU-TV; KPIX-TV; KGO-TV; KDIA; KKHI; KUKI Ukiah; and doubtless other sources of which the Peoples Temple is not aware, as UPI carried this false report.

The many "shocking details" -- all entirely false-- include:

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She was "seized". (UDJ, 5/26/78);

"She was placed under armed guard" {Ex. 5/26/78};

"Police state tactics" were used against Wrs. Hunter {KGO-TV, 5/28/78};

She was "locked in her hotel for a week" [Press Democrat, 5/28/78);
"A guard was posted outside her hotel door" (UDJ, 5/28/78);
She was guaranteed "an armed guard to the airport" (UDJ, 5/28/18).

Not only is every one of these reports fictional, but what is the claiming to need protection from? We don't carry knives or guns, or anything lethal at all. We voluntarily offered to people concerned to undergo a search, because we are non-violent and carry no kind of weapon.

- 2. "INTERROGATION": Mrs. Hunter was never interrogated. It is an unmitigated lie that the Temple made anything but the friendliest of overtures to her. Mrs. Hunter was invited to the Project twice, and refused to go. She was invited to a Temple cultural presentation in Georgetown, accepted the tickets, and never came. When she complained the hotel rates were too high, Temple members volunteered to assist her in moving.
- 3. "HARASSMENT": The Peoples Temple did not harass Mrs. Hunter in any way. Several media reports insinuated that the Peoples Temple was responsible for the "hoax call" bringing Mrs. Hunter to Guyana, the "mysterious fires in the storerooms and hallways of her hotel", the "five false fire alarms", and the "bomb threats". Mrs. Hunter directly accused the Temple (Ex. 5/30/78) of keeping her under constant surveillance and bugging her telephone.

What is remarkable about all these claimed "harassments" however, is that they are anonymous in character. It would appear that someone was very intent on giving Mrs.

Hunter a hard time, and having it falsely blamed on the Peoples Temple.

4. "THREATS": The Peoples Temple did not threaten Mrs. Hunter about a possible story; or threaten her at all.

The truth is the reverse: MRS. HUNTER THREATENED THE TEMPLE WITH BAD PRESS COVERAGE, ALONG WITH HER REFUSAL TO EVEN SEE THE PROJECT. Mr. Mike Prokes and other Temple members met with her for lunch at her invitation May 20th. She told them she wanted to go to the Project and meet with Rev. Jones. Temple members expressed surprise that Mrs. Hunter did not make any advance confirmation of her visit, but even though they had been given no way to make advance preparations for her, she was welcome to come to Jonestown. By her own admission in the Press Democrat, 6/8/70, she was coming to "judge for herself", with the expectation of interviewing select individuals privately, apparently on demand. She states she went so far as to say she would "make my own arrangements through the Guyanese government to visit Jonestown" after acknowledging that the day before, she discovered she was not in Guyana at the invitation of the Guyanese government at all. Although she was the unexpected visitor from 5,000 miles away, no accomodation or hospitality the community of over 1,000 residents in Jonestown could offer was good enough or quick enough for this woman, and she made a "not even veiled threat" to fir. Prokes and the other Temple member that if she did not get what she wanted, it would go very badly for the Peoples Temple. She refused to visit the Project at all, and left the table.

Later the same day, Mrs. hunter applicated for threatening the Temple with her statement. She was invited to Jonestown again several days later, but was hostile and refused to even discuss the matter.

MOREOVER, IT IS HARDLY LIKELY THAT MRS. HUNTER CAME TO GUYANA AS AN INDEPENDENT, FREE-LANCE JOUPNALIST TRAVELLING ON HER OWN, AS THE MEDIA HAS PORTRAYED. SHE HERSELF TOLD TEMPLE MEMBERS "SEVERAL TIMES" THAT SHE HAD COME TO GUYANA TO WRITE FOR THE PRESS DEMOCRAT AND SEVERAL OTHER NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES.

NO NEWS SERVICE WAS IN GUYANA COVERING THE "STORY", YET HER TRIP TO GUYANA PROVOKED AN INSTANT MEDIA BLITZ OF FALSE PUBLICITY AND SMEARS.

Mr. Prokes summed up the feelings of the Peoples Temple in the following statement:

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"We now believe even more segments of the media are involved with this monstrous conspiracy. This was another attempt to make us the prey for sensational news to destroy us because we are a non-violent socialist church with belief in brotherhood and equality.

"Me have a story that is really sensational in terms of building good will between nations and a model community to live in. We will not be bullied or threatened into giving a story to anyone. We will choose those to give the opportunity to see a glimpse into what everyone who has visited has either called a model community or a paradise. If the media wants a story from us, they will have to be objective and separate themselves from this smear campaign which is entirely based on politics."

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Honorable Minister of Home Affairs C. Vibert Mingo Public Buildings Brickdam, Georgetown Guyana South America

> Gordon Lindsay - Bureau Chief Los Angeles News Agency 8273 Sunset Boulevard Los Angeles, California 90046

Dear Minister Mingo:

As you perhaps know, I am counsel for The People's Temple, and I understand that you are interested in information that I obtained through the statements made to me by Mr. Lindsay that he was in a plane that had a recommaissance over Jonestown, which is the northwest region of Guyana. He told me that he was able to see all of the projects in detail by virtue of the fact that he flew over Jonestown.

Since he did not tell me that he was telling this to me in confidence, I feel free to be able to transmit this information to you. I do not have any further information regarding this matter. However, if you feel that the matter should be further delved into, you are free to use the address that I have indicated above to make further communications.

On behalf of my clients I want to thank you for all the .courtesies that have been extended to them, and if there is anything further that you wish from me, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Very truly yours,

Ohorly R. Harry CHARLES R. GARRY

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BAN JOSE OFFICE

June 17, 1978

Editor San Francisco Chronicle 5th and Mission Streets San Francisco CA 94119

Dear Editor:

This letter is written in the interest of fair play. The latest salvo against the Peoples Temple that your paper grabbed on to is the allegation made by Deborah Layton. Her mother, Lisa, and her brother, Larry, both denounced her and stated the reasons why. No reference was made to their charges in your paper. You have seized every opportunity to malign the Peoples Temple without the opportunity for equal space of reply. The latest

On May 28, 1978 at a press conference when your reporter was present at the Temple, Rev. John Moore and his wife had just returned from Jonestown, Guyana, who said as follows:

"I'm John Moore. I'm Pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Reno, Nevada. We have two daughters Methodist Church in Reno, Nevada. We have two daughter who are members of the Temple, obviously my wife and I are not members of the Temple. One, the older girl's a teacher, and the younger one is a nurse. The two words that come to my mind, immediately as I was there and as I tried to reflect upon my experiences were 'impressive' and 'amazing.' It almost boggles my mind to see that great clearing and to understand how so much could have been done in the relatively short period of time. I think about a thousand acres, 800 acres have been cleared, and it's in the midst of a jungle, and that's part of what's impressive, and all except a part of the land that's not been finally cleared, has been planted with various crops.

I had a feeling of freedom. Neither in Georgetown, where there were about 25 or 30 people living, coming and going, all the time, with total freedom, nor at the project itself, did we-did I have--I'll let my wife speak for herself-did I have any feeling that anybody was being restrained or coerced or intimidated in any way. What did impress me was that people who were living in Georgetown, in the house there, were all eagerly waiting for the time when they could return to Jonestown, and the project itself. One of the great things, I think, is the opportunity for some of the younger people, particularly, to be learning skills when that opportunity is not present here.

They have probably 35 preschoolers, I don't know how many they have in school; they have newborn babies, several babies have been born there. They have a daycare nursery for parents who work, and there are those who are caring for them; and then they have the older people. That's really a part of the beauty of it, we felt.

The school is accredited by the government of Guyana, that they've had people from the Department of Agriculture and their agricultural stations there working with the people at the project. And certainly their supporting of the health center, there's no question in my mind but that the health center is the best facility in that whole region in Guyana. There is a government, I think, nurse practitioner, in Port Kaituma a few miles away, but that simply does not have either the personnel, skills nor the equipment that they have. The health services are provided for the AmerIndians or people who live in the community as well as the members of the project itself."

Mrs. Barbara Moore said the following:

"My impressions are, having just experienced our visit there, that this is a beautiful, heroic, creative project! It is absolutely miraculous. There are excellent medical services, excellent educational services, and . . . it's a community of caring and sharing with an added dimension, and this dimension I would say, is love. If you want to use that term; in a sense it reminds me of . . . a New Testament community, in the purest sense of the word, in the love and concern for all, that we observed. And with

complete freedom for creativity; those who want to farm, are farming; those who wish to teach, teach; those who like to cook, cook; they have an excellent nutritionist who is working scientifically all the time to discover new uses for the indigenous plants and growths there, and is in contact with the Guyanese experts to discover new and useful uses for these various crops, there. That was very impressive to me. It was most impressive to see the elderly people, the older folks, who had their neat little yards, their little white picket-type fences, and their opportunity to take classes if they wished to, or to garden, or to just sit. They also have a lovely library of over eight thousand volumes, from poetry to "how-to-do it" . . . and this was most impressive, that one could sit and read.

It's a complete city and one thing they do encourage is the nuclear family. You can choose to have your own home, or if you're a single person, you may live in a dormitory, whichever you prefer. They have a lovely nursery for infants; they have a nursery for toddlers, and of course a fine educational set up."

It is to be noted that not one word of the foregoing was reported. Rev. and Mrs. Moore spent in excess of two weeks at the jungle mission visiting their two grown daughters. Isn't it about time that the voices of the 1400 persons who are in Guyana pioneering a new way of life receive equal coverage?

Very truly yours,

CHARLES R. GARRY

Attorney for the People's Temple

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San Francisco Chronicle

July 6, 1978

Charles R. Garry Garry, Dreyfus, et al 1256 Market Street San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Hr. Garry:

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This is in reply to your letter of June 17.

In Marshall Kilduff's article of June 15, Deborah Layton's allegations were answered with brief quotations from both Lisa and Larry Layton. Mr. Kilduff was unable to obtain any rebuttals immediately and another reporter placed the quotations in the fourth and fifth paragraphs of the article later in the evening.

As you know, the replies by Deborah Layton's family were made to us over the telephone here. We were properly reluctant to use many of the quotations because of their potentially libelous nature, and so informed officials of the Peoples Temple.

As this newspaper's relatively new city editor, I have absolutely no bias against the Pecoles Temple and its members. I believe the organization is a "good story" because it seems to be another among the many new religious and social movements that have emerged in recent years as a result of the tempestuous and unsettling times in which we live. I am as interested in "fair play" as you are.

Please accept my apology for the lateness of this reply. I'm still swamped with unfamiliar duties. By the time you receive this letter you will probably have seen your own letter pub-lished on our editorial page. It is scheduled to run any day now.

Yours sincerely,

David Perlman City Editor

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Jume 14, 1978 Transcript from telephone patch between:

Larry Layton and Lisa Layton in Jonestown, Guyana and Kevin Wallace of the San Francisco Chronicle

Operator: What are your questions, Mr. Wallace?

K. W.: I do not have any questions, just their response to what I read earlier. I don't have any questions at all.

Operator: All right, I'll ask that. There are no questions, it is simply what response do you have to what you were told earlier?

L.L.: My name is Lisa Layton, and I am her (Deborah Layton's) mother. I am not the least bit surprised what she has said.

Operator: Please repeat.

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L.L.: I am not surprised about what she is saying. She had been stealing thousands of dollars from me and others....I believe she had been on drugs, as she used to be before she was over here. I imagine she is probably still on drugs. She also took thousands of dollars from us, and me particularly.

Larry Layton: I am her brother, Larry Layton. I am an x-ray technician here. I live here with my wife. Seniors are treated beautifully here, do you copy? I am 32 years old. I believe she is saying these things because we are socialists. And she is a thief.

Lisa:: I am Lisa Layton and my son is very upset about the whole thing. I am the mother of Debbie. Since I am a senior, I think you can understand that I can talk firsthand about the fact that seniors are treated beautifully here in JOnestown. We are socialists, and socialists treat their seniors very beautifully, always.

Larry L.: I would appreciate being able to say just a couple of words to refute these mountains of lies printed by my little sister, so-called. She is a thief? And that is the reason she is attacking us, because she stole money from her mother. That is why she is telling these ridiculous lies. And the reason they are being printed is because we are socialists; that's what I think.

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June 13, 1978

Charles R. Garry, Esq. Garry, Dreyfus, McTernan, Brotsky, Berndon & Pesonen, Inc. 1256 Market Street San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Peoples Temple Demand for Correction

Dear Mr. Garry:

Pursuant to our phone conversation on Tuesday, June 6, 1978, you indicated that the portion of your demand letter concerning the alleged failure to include the Guyana government's view on Mrs. Hunter's entry into Guyana was satisfied by an Examiner follow-up story, dated May 27, 1978.

With respect to the headline itself, enclosed is a copy of the Examiner correction, dated June 12, 1978. Said correction ran in all editions of that date.

I trust the above-noted items meet with your approval and assume the matter is concluded.

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Mon., June 12, 1978 + + S.F. EXAMINER-Page 3

On May 28, The Examiner published a story entitled "Report of Peoples Temple terror." The word terror was inappropriate and created a misleading characterization of the activities of the Peoples Temple in Guyana. The Examiner regrets the headline.

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Re: "Jones Church Linked to 'Terror' Reign"

Dear Mr. Garry:

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This letter will serve to confirm my oral advice to your office of June 25 that this office represents THE SANTA ROSA PRESS DEMOCRAT with respect to your demand for retraction and apology, and any other matters which were the subject of your letter directed to the client under date of July 3, 1978.

This will also confirm our conversation of June 24 and your agreement to extend the time within which THE SANTA ROSA PRESS DEMOCRAT must reply to your demand for retraction as set forth in Civil Code section 48(a)(2). We understand that, pursuant to your extension of seven days, we have to and including Wednesday, August 2, 1978, to comply with the provisions of the section cited above.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours

oseph P. Russopiello -

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Miah Daily Journal

Uklah, Mendocino County, California Friday, May 26, 1978

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Kathy Hunter seized while on Temple assignment

Journal executive editor's wife in protective custody in Guyana

A former Daily Journal reporter who went to Guyana to investigate the controversial People's Temple church has been placed in protective custody by the local government fearing for her safety.

Kathy Hunter, wife of Uhish Belly Journal executive editor George Hunter, has spent the past seven days confined in a hotel in Georgetown, the Guyana capital, managing editor Mark Haymond said.

The government of the South American

country placed her in the Pegasus Halet following intensive "interrogation" by members of the Iter Jim Jones' People's Temple, Raymond said.

"There was apparently a threat, direct or implied, over whether her story would come out pro-Jones or anti-church and at that point the protective couldn'y was applied," he said.

Hunter has been in telephone contact with his wife, said Raymond, and she reported she hoped in have Guyana Saturday and would have left carller had it not been for an afrifue strike. Jones, whose church is based in San Francisco, is reportedly in Guyana with 1,000 of his followers at a jungle encomponent called "Jonestown." Relatives have presented pellitons in San Francisco demanding retorn of their kin from Guyana.

One of the recent petitioners was Steven Kulnaris, a private school director in Uhlah, whose 24-year old daughter is at the temple encompanent a victim, seconding to Katsaris, of Jones' "initial programming." Raymond and Mrs. Hunter was invited to Guyana by the government there to view the People's Temple operations in its country. She arrived on May 18 and two days later was laken into protective custody, Raymond said.

Mrs. Hunter, who formerly worked for the sawagasper, went to Guyana to investigate the temple incruse of the controversy over Jones unit to follow up local angles as a result of temple activities at its former church in nearby Redwood Valley.

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Uklah, Mendocino County, California Sunday, May 28, 1978

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Armed guards will accompany her to airport

preparing to return home

"UKIAH (UPI) - A newspaper editor says his reporter wife, taken in protective contody by the government of Guyana where she had wanted to investigate the contraversial l'eopie's Tempie, is swaiting a flight home.

George Hunter, executive editor of the Uklah. Calif. Dully Journal, said Friday night that his wife, Kathy, was on "atandhy" status for a flight to Minni, Fla., from where she will fly to San Francisco, He said she hoped to leave today,

· Mrs. Hunter has willingly spent the past seven days in Georgetown's Pegusus Hotel following intensive "interrogation" by members of the Rev. Jim Junes' church, Mark Raymond, managing editor of the Daily Journal, said.

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Hunter suid he talked with his wife by telephone but the conversation was "very goarded" on her part. He said she was "under a strain." He added there were guards omiside her hotel room and the telephone may have heren lapped.

Raymond and Mrs. Hunter was invited by the Goyama government to report on the activities of Poople's Temple in the South American country She arrived there May In and was taken into protective custody two days later.

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Viewoon UkiahDailyJournal -- Sunday, May 28, 1978

Editorial

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Why should Rev. Jones fear reporter visiting Jonestown?

If there was any doubt that Rev. Jim Jones, spiritual leader of the Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ has a solid footing in the Republic of Guyana in South America, all such doubt has been dispelled.

That a woman free-lance reporter who arrived in Guyana last week should be interrogated at great length by one of Jones 200 square as difficult to seem that reporter had every right to visit Jonestown. Her sole wurpose was to write an objective story after visiting the religious community which is home for Jones and some 1,000 of his followers.

The Temple's propaganda machine paints an idyllic picture

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of blissful living in the agricultural community. If its press releases are to be balleved, it's "open house" seven days a week in Jonestown.

Then why did Jones lear a visit from a reporter and what does he have to hide?

The Giyanese National Police, had no illusions about the potential for violence against this reporter.

They quickly nosted a goard question her hotel door. She was to leave Guyana today and the plan called for a police escort from the hotel to the amport which would indicate that the authorities believed that Jones' followers were not above additional larrassment or even violence.

Also me Guyanese povernment, y after the reporter had been there h

only a few days, advised her that she was "persona non grata" and suggested that she might be happier elsewhere.

What could give Jones enough "clout" with the government in just the few years that have passed since Jonestown was founded to exert this type of pressure?

And what of the concerned relatives of people living in Jonestown, some from this area and others from San Francisco and Los Angeles who have been purned down in their efforts to prevail upon Jones to allow them to visit the United States?

Although they live in a foregin country, they are still Americans and should be the concern of our State Department.



Writer's Guyana trip: Temple talks back

A spokesman for Peoples Temple has denied harassing a free-lance writer who was reportedly placed in protective entody in Guyana, and has accused the writer of coming to the country uninvised and "misrepresenting" herself as a friend of the prime minister.

In a telephone interview from the South American country yesterday. Mike Prokes said that three conversations between temple members and freelancer Kathy Hunter there were amusble.

Humer's husband. Ukiah Daily Jourmal Executive Editor George Hunter, sand yesterday that his wife was interrogared by temple members, then was placed under protective custody.

But Prokes said. "If she was tm protective custody), it was because she misrepresented herself when she came

"She made statements that she met with high officials — and she did not and that she was friends with the prime

Hunter said his wife, a former Daily Journal reporter-photographer, flew to the Guyanese capital on May 17 after receiving a telephone invitation from what she believed to be the government there. He said there was no reason to deably the authenticity of the invitation because she had met Prime Minister Forbes Burnham several years ago when she wrote a story on his visit to Northern California.

However, the newspaper editor said his wife told him in a recent phone conversation. The invitation may have been a hoar."

About 1.000 followers of the Rev.

Jim Jones, former head of the San Francisco Housing Authority, are reported to be bring and working at an agricultural mission in the jungle. In the year that Jones has been there, former temple members have alleged in published reports that they were physically and mentally abused and some were forced to give their property to the church.

Prokes said the temple considered Kathy Hunter a friend yet had no inkling that she was coming there. "We humped into her by accident tax her horels," he said. "She said she wanted to see the project and talk to Jim Jones, and he happened to be upriver at the rime."

"At that point, she said that if she dufn't get what she wanted, it would go had for us. She apparently was alluding to a story she was doing."

Hunter said his wife reported that there were five false alarms at her hotel the day after her arrival. Prokes said that he had heard there were some small fires at the hotel but didn't know the details.

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Les Angeles Cimes

Ukiah Investigative Reporter Placed Under Protective Custody

UKIAH (UPI)—The government of Guyana has placed a Ukiah Daily Journal reporter investigating the controvernal People's Temple Church under protective custody, the newspaper's managing editor said Priday.

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One of the recent petitioners was Steven Ratsans, a private school director in Ukish, whose 24-year-old daughter is at the temple encampment—a victim, according to Katsans, of Jones "mind programming."

George Hunter said his wife told him by telephone that her mytiation to go to Guyana "may have been a hoax," judging by the official contission when she arrived there.

He said a group of Jones' followers showed up at her hotel the day she arrived and "she was subjected to harrassment by a souad of interrogators from the church at her hotel."

The next day at the hotel five separate fire alarms went off, signaling guests to evacuate. "She began to share the view of officials there that she should have concern for her safety," Hunter said.

He said an official of the U.S. consulate in Guyana told Hunter his wife will get "an armed quard to the aurport" wenn she leaves.

"I don't know why they feet she is in danger." Hunter said. "Everyone is so guarded. I can only consecure that the government there and the State Department are concerned about avoiding an inconent."

Santa Rosa Press Democrat, Sunday, May 29, 1978

leaving Guyana

Kathy Hunter, a Uklah newspaperwoman who went to South America Iwo weeks ago in investigate the contraversial People's Temple church, reportedly left Guyana this morning after spending a week locked in her hotel under "protective custody."

According to Mrs. Hunter's husband. George Hunter, executive editor of the Ukiah Dally Journal, bla wife had gone to Guyana "simply to talk" to a few relatives of local residents serving on the church's "agricultural outmat" there.

The 20,000 member People's Temple, headed by the politically powerful flev. Ilm Jones, supports a cadre of church s faithfuls who have been backing an outpost out of the South American rainforest.

Charges have recently been circulated that some of those "faithful" had been "brainwashed" into serving the church and that many of them had been physically abused during church "cere mon-

Apparently, Hunter said, the church was concerned over Mrs. Hunter's nettcte, fenring it would come out anti-Jones or anti-church.

Pollowing an Intensive "Interrogation" by members of the church, Mrs. Hunter told the Press Democrat in a telephone interview from Guyana Friday, the suddenly became "persons non grato" smoot government officials.

She was told, she said, that if she didn't leave the country of her own volltion, she would be led out "farcibly."

"Apparently," she said, "the People's Temple has more weight here than the prople have."

Unfortunately, she said, because of an airline strike the was unable to leave the country even though, by Friday she "wanted" to

Recounting her troubles, Mrs. Hunter said everything was "sweetness and light" in the flay South American country until she intered down an invitation by the church to be its guest at Janestown like church's name for its outposts.

Suddenly, she said, there were mysterious fires in storerooms and hallways in

her hotel. And then there were false plarms in

the middle of the night: And then there were bomb threats.

Speaking hesitantly, fearing her phone was being monitored, Mrs. Hunter sald she was "giadly" placed under protective custody after those "mysterious" incldeuts.

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would be able to leave the country . Con-Incled yesterday, however, George Hunter said he had gotten through to his wife again and she fold him she was acheduled for an early flight from Gayana, making connections in Mismi and then on to San Francisco sometime Sonday evening

But attempts into yesterday to contact Mrs. Hunter at her hotel to verify those plans failed when the hotel either didn't answer its phone or the connections were soldenly out off.

Attempts to reach the American consol in Guyana, Bichard McCoy, also failed last night when, at first, calls to his home were relused because he was not "on embassy business" and couldn't be reached

Continued attempts, however, revenied that the consul was home but was refusing to talk to the press. lustend, those calls were referred to the embassy's press officer, Stepney & Hoble, who said he knew nothing about any "Kathy Hunter situation " Only the consul, he said, could answer those questions

The last word out of Goyans, according to George Hunter, was that the goverament would get Mrs. Huster out of the At the time she spoke to the Press country even if it tukes "an armed

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California edition

nightmare' journey to Peoples Temple mission Marie By Lyan Sharpe L

Aft was a nightmare. You ridn't believe it," said fractance ter Kathy Hunter, back in San ncinco last night after a week in

She claims she was haramed by. spies Temple members.

"I went with an open mind, I lly did. I have niways been a ind of Jim's ithe Roy. Jim Jones, iple founder), and I didn't really leve some of the things they said out him. But now I can only leve he's not the same men that I

Temple attorney, Charles Garin denying Hunter's charges of cassinent, said yosterday: "Had a gone to the project, she would ve been welcomed. Jim Jones

'I can only believe (Jim Jones) is not the same man I knew!

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Hunter claimed Guyaness officials and Temple members in Georgetown were cordial at first. But she became frightened whom she learned that she had boost hoazed into bolleying that Guyana's premier, Forbes Burnham (whom she had once mut), had invited her to the South American country.

She claimed Temple members watched her constantly and bugged per phone. She also believes they were responsible for flys fulse fire

Finally, she says, she was ordered to leave the country because she was told she had lied to the immigration people.

flunter, wife of Uklah Daily Journal executive editor George Hunter, was met at Ean Francisco Airport by her son, Michael, and former Temple attorney Tan Steen, who says Jones has kidnepped his 8year-old son and clutus to be the boy's father.

bloom says 57 other concerned parents are worsied about their children in the agricultural mission Jones has established in Guyana, nicknamed Jonustown. Former meinbers have alleged they were physically and mentally abused and forced to give up their property.



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PEOPLES TEMPLE OF THE DIS-CIPLES OF CHRIST offers as a reward \$5,000.00 to anyone who provides information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons who are responsible for the threatening telephone calls allegedly received by Mrs. Kathy Hunter and for the alleged break-in of her home and assault she claimed took place Sunday, June 25, 1978.

Peoples Temple wholly and categorically denies any knowledge of these alleged events. No member of Peoples Temple is in any way connected with any one of them. We are incensed at the malicious allegations which continue to be made. We have called upon Ukiah Police Chief Saulsbury to conduct a full investigation of these events—if they did in fact occur at all—and offer this reward to assist in the investigation.

If you have any information, please contact Charles R. Garry, Attorney-at-law. Confidential information respected.

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ATTACK ON REPORTER

Temple offers \$5,000 reward

Press Democrat Bureau

UKIAH — The Peoples Temple has affered a \$5,000 reward for clues in an alleged attack on reporter Kathy Hunter, who was rabuffed when ahe tried to visit the Temple's South American outpost last May.

In advertisements appearing in Monday's editions of The Press Democrat and Uklah Daily Journal, the Temple "wholly and categorically denies any knowledge of these alleged events."

"No member of Pooples Temple is in any way connected with any one of them. We are incensed at the malicious allegations which continue to be made," according to the ad. But liunter, wife of Ukiah Daily Journal executive editor George Hunter, told The Press Democrati that she has never accused the Temple of attacking hor.

The freelance reporter was hospitalized June 25 after two men allegedly broke into her Ukiah home and forced a bottle of sloohol down her throat.

Hunter was later found semi-conscious by her son. The reported attack followed a series of anonymous, threatening telephone calls and a windowsmashing incident at the Hunter home, according to Ukiah police reports.

Ukish police chief Donn Saulsbury sald the authorities don't have any leads in the case, "but we're atill investigating."

Hunter said she has received anonymous telephone threats since the June incident. Her 31-year-old son, Michael Hunter, was sent a threatening letter which he turned over to police.

Mrs. Hunter said her grandchildren have been taken to another community for their safety.

The reporter returned from Guy-

ana last May after attempting to visit the controversial Temple's farm colony. Hunter said she was invited by the church, but reported that she was grilled by hostile Temple members and was later forced to leave the Guyanese capitol of Georgelown after a series of bomb threats at her hotel.

Hunter said she wanted to investigate charges that some Temple members are held against their will at the jungle outpost. Some families of Temple members from Ukish and San Francisco are attempting to remove their relatives from Guyana.

Temple attorney Charles Garry said Hunter was in Guyana illegally and that her story was the result of, a drinking problem. Hunter disputod the charge.

She said the threats started soon after she returned to Ukiah, and that some of the anonymous callers said they were delivering messages from Rev. Jim Jones, the Temple's leader.

The Temple advertisement asks readers to contact Garry with any information.

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Santa Rosa Press Democrat 427 Mendocino Avenue Santa Rosa, CA. 95404

> Re.: Retraction--- "Reporter's trek to Jonestown turns into nightmare"

Management:

On behalf of my clients, the People's Temple, demand is hereby made for you to retract the innuendoes and the assertions therein made that the People's Temple either directly or indirectly had anything to do with the allegations contained in your Thursday, June 8, 1978 full page dissertation page 13C.

It is our understanding that Kathy Hunter went to Guyana under your direct assignment and control to do a particular type of "hatchet job".

My clients herewith demand that you publish fully the enclosed open letter to the media and the community without any changes in the entire format.

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day, June 27, 1978 PRESS in at

Jones church linked to terror reign

Press Democrat Bureau

UKIAR — Two mes ellegedly broke into the heme of Ukiah newspaperwoman Kathy Hunter and, capping what she described as three-week "campaign of terrore," forcibly peured a hottle of sleshold down her throat.

The "campaign," according to George Runter, executive editor of the Ukiah Daily Journal began when accounts of his wife's experiences with Jim Jones' Peoples' Temple in South America, were published in The Press Democrat.

"It's no put-on," he said.

Mrs. Hunter was found on her hitchen floor shout 9 p.m. Sunday by her 33-year-old son Michael. "She was hysterical," he said.

Hospitalized after the incident, Mrs. Hunter said that two black men walked through the unlocked door to her kitchen, grabbed her, and forced her to drink the alcohel.

Ukiah police-are investigating the incident. "We're taking it at face value," said Sgt. Dick Perry.

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Perry Detective Harold Pullins said he deem't betective Harold Pullins said he doesn't know if the Sunday incident is connected to a window-masking at the Hunter home last week. Somebody broke a window late Monday night while Mrz. Hunter was sitting nearby. Else cut her band when she epened the drapes to investigate. The reporter, who tried to visit the controver-sial Rev. Jim Jones' outpost is Guyana, said she's hear reserving threats ever since her story

ahe's been receiving threats ever since her story appeared in The Press Democrat.

An anonymous women caller allegedly told Hunter that "Jim knows what you're doing. If he goes down, you and all your family will go down with him."

Another caller threatened to kill the Hunters

Another caller threstened to till the humers, according to a police report.

Michael Hinter, a legal assistant at Legal Service Foundation in Urkish, found an eminous note at his spartment Friday night. The note, made from letters cut from a newspaper, was

Kathy Hunter declined to name the source of the alleged attacks." I know in my heart who's scing it, but I have no proof," she said.

Police said they are just starting to work on the case and wouldn't speculate shout suspects.

Mrs. Hunter said she didn't recognize the two men, described as medium-sized blacks in their thirties. Her husband was away at the time and Mrs. Hunter was home alone.

She was treated for stomech pains at Hillside Heapital and released after several hours.

Mrs. Hunter said one of the men pailed her by the scarf around her beck. Officers are checking fingerprings on a bottle of hourbon found in the littless.

Police said neighbors didn't notice anything

Police said neighbors didn't notice anything seasonal around the time of the break-in.

Mrs. Hunter returned from South America last month after trying to visit Jonestowa, the Peoples' Temple farm colony in the jumgles of Gayana.

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Guyana.
She said she was griffed by hostile Temple
members, and later forced to leave the Guyana
capital of Georgetown following a series of bomb
threats at her hotel.
Temple spikesman Charles Garry said Hunter was in the country litegally. He was out of
town today and unavailable for comment.

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ADDITIONAL ITEMS - Pieces in the Puzzle

Jim Clancy, KTVU interviewer, was very 'hot' in the early media blitz against Peoples Temple. He called at all hours. He interviewed people with their backs to the camera, even though everyone in the Temple with their backs to the camera, even though everyone in the Temple with their backs to the camera, even though everyone in the Temple where the 'faceless accusers' very well. He cornered a group of senior citizens near Gity Hall in San Francisco after an I-Hotel demonstration, and arrogantly mentioned to people in the crowd that Peoples Temple was "ripping off black people." When the senior citizens left the area after the demonstration to walk towards their bus, Clancy and the cameraman from KTVU ran after them at breakneck speed. The cameraman began taunting the senior citizens, screaming at them to 'go ahead, call me an Uncle Tom' (he was black). Weanwhile Clancy egged him on. It was one of the grossestexhibitions by a news-reporter imaginable. Clancy openly snickered and made sarcastic comments.

Larry Hatfield, Examiner reporter who did an early article on Feoples Temple (re: New West break-in), is a friend of Tim Stoen. He has now been revealed to be an 'expert' in Latin-American affairs and is moving to Lansing, Michigan.

Concerning Lansing, Michigan -- a man named Sheehan, working on the Karen Silkwood case, has reliably informed us that Jim Jones' name is on a master computer headquartered in Lansing. He wouldn't talk further, but pointed our investigators there for a lead.

Lester Kinsolving -- The man who did the scurrilous series of smears and lies in 1972 (shortly after we helped Angela Davis' Defense Fund with a large, public donation), has used his religion and 'washington' column to regularly scandalize black and other militant leaders both in the church and elsewhere. The list of his targets is very long. He has also excoriated policies of black African nations and people who have been supportive of black liberation groups, especially in the church. He was finally exposed for taking money from corporations with large investments in South Africa to actively propagandize against black liberationist groups and leaders, as well as any anti-apartheid efforts. As a result of this revelation, he was expelled from an important Press organization in Washington about two years ago. Kinsolving's vendetta against Jim Jones was carried by him onto TV and radio talk shows. He was preparing to launch another smear attack in 1975 when Peoples Temple members sued him for slander. Another interesting detail: shortly after visits to Peoples Temple in 1972, Kinsolving claimed that his home was 'burglarized.' (cf. New West break-in).

Innuendo was clearly made that Peoples Temple was responsible. Also, definite evidence was obtained directly from a Ukiah telephone operator that Kinsolving was involved in a telephone monitoring operation of Feorles Temple phones during this period. Kinsolving also harassed senior citizens over the phone who were members of the church.

More items, continued

Eureka Reasearch Associates: An aerial reconaissance outfit. Tim

Stoen has been directly linked with them through a map (reconaissance) of the African nation of Benin (?). ERA was possibly involved in a mercenary operation there, doing the aerial surveillance. (Note: one of Stoen's group of 'concerned relatives' spoke openly of hiring mercentaries to 'retrieve' members of Peoples Temple residing in

Jonestown. Evidence of activity in this regard: CB calls -- mysterious -picked up by our members near the project. Also armed interlopers shooting into project, trespassing. Some were sighted. Finally, a

CBS newscast (see transcript for details) spoke of the fact that attempts to find out about goings-on at the mission 'by stealth' had proven unsuccessful. What exactly did the newscaster mman? What was he referring to? Who gave him such information? In addition, there is the matter of the National Enquirer flight over the project for express purpose of aerial surveillance -- undisguised.)

Who is Robert Coleman? We do not know the identity of this mysterious military person, perhaps a high-ranking officer, who has connection with anti-Temple group, very possibly with regard to 'stealth' and 'mercenary' operations.

Jim Wood is an Examiner reporter who was interested in coming down to the mission to do a story. He is a friend of Temple attorney Charles Garry, and in all liklihood his story would have been unbiased and, hence, favorable to the Temple. But even after getting clearance to come from his union, his trip was blocked at the tops by Randolph Hearst himself.

Wackenhut Corporation - Florida-based, rabidly anti-communist right wing group with paramiliatry character, may be involved in Mazor's work against Peoples Temple. Mazor had phone connections with them.

STEERING FOLLOWUP -- 11 August 78

- 1) Functions of Steering and organizational chart --TIsh to finalize
- 2) C. T. figure pricing for the senior sitting area structure.
- 3) Bell system to be completed --see minutes of 7 August meeting.
- 4) Electric typewriters needed by Jan GUrvich group.
- 5) Section to be set aside in rally for seniors with med. problems.
- 6) ANNOUNCE IN RALLY: (Stephen from Steering)

 - NOUNCE IN RALLY: (Stephen from Steering)

 --No seat saving

 --Chairs must be taken back to the rice workers area; names will
 be taken and warnings issued. If their chairs are TAKE; is automatic 2 weeks PSU. Maryann, Marthea and Diane Smith take names.

 --Unless authorized directly by Dad, you are subject to a warning
 for using the guest bathroom. Seniors may use bathroom in the
 kitchen area during rally --all others must use cottage bathroom.

 (It was suggested security escort groups out and back so we do
 not lose them, going home early...)

 -- Daytimes and other times, the back kitchen bathroom is for the
 use of those in action center, or ICU only...
 - use of those in senior center, or ICU only ...
 - --Flower pots that are not decorative and nice looking must be taken inside on the day the guests are coming through..INSPECTORS GOTHROUGH AHEAD OF THE TOUR TO BE SURETHIS IS DONE.
- 7) Donny Cassanova to set up rice workers pavillion after rally.
- 5) Discard furniture to go to Pat Grunnett, but must be disposed of and out of way before the guests come through!
- 9) Railings are to be moved to the outside walls of the pavillion and the maps are to be moved also so that it is one large auditorium ..
- 10) Vernetta Christian is to get the names for Johnny of those on the decorating committee. Ruby Carroll, Nancy Sines and Rosie Ruggerio are known persons --latter two were appointed by Steering.
- 11) Maryann took list of colors, to get with decorating committee and select colors, return to Steering for final submission to Dad for approval. This for the new cottage houses.
- 12) TABLED request of cottage 30 to paint steps and shoe rack.

DEPARTMENTS & ACAO TRANS

Accounting AND AUDIT -- Tish Leroy and Harold Bogue

1) Accounting
2) Finance Evaluation Board
3) Radio Furchesing

Auditing

C. A. C.'s --Administrative Triumvirate
1) Johnny Jones, Sr.
2) Carolyn Leyton
3) Sarah Tropp

ASSISTANT C. A. O. . - Departmental Distribution

AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK -- Jack Beam and Darrel Devers

AGRICULTURE: Pields

Gardens

Land Clear & Cats Land Cultivation & Tractors

Bursery. Orchards

ANIMALS:

Livestock

Piggery Poultry Small Animals

POOD DRYING FOOD STORAGE SECRETARIAL & LIBRARY SUPERVISION

BUSINESS & INDUSTRY -- Kay Welson and Hugh Fortson

Boets:

Albatross

Cud joe

Businesses:

Emmaca Store

Watch Repair

Shoe Repair (outside)

Sewing Room

Special Projects

CONSTRUCTION, POWER & TRANSPORTATION -- Charlie Touchette & Albert T.

Construction
Electric & Power Department
Machine Shop
Mechanical Shop
Metal Fabrication Shop
Machine & Shop

Parts & Supply Room Transportation

Woodshop

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EDUCATION, HOUSING & POPULATION -- Ave Jones and Judy I james

Childeare:

Baby Nursery Toddlers Pre-schoolers

Counselling

Education:

Grade School Junior High High School

Housing and Population Secretaries Passports Secretary

ENTERTAINMENT & GUESTS -- Shonda James and Rhonda Fortson

Band and Entertainers Guests and Public Relations Video, Movies and Programs

FOODS & CEFTRAL SUPPLY -- Joyce Touchette and Stanley Clayton

Bakery Central Supply Herbal Kitchen

Laundry
Main Kitchen: Back Kitchen
Fire Keepers
Front Kitchen

Pot Washers Servers Special Diets Vegetable Workers

Rice Workers Storage Warehouses

HRALTH SERVICES -- Marcelline Jones and Phyllis Bloom

Bond Dental Clinic Doctor and Practitioners Herbal Experiments Nursing Office Optometry Pathology and Laboratory Pharmacy Physical Therapy X-rays

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SECURITY -- Johnny Jones, Jr., Tim Jones (day) and Jimmy Jones, Jr.

Banana Shed Boat Security Cassava Security Dispatch Front Gate Generator Security "IS" (Internal Security) J. T. Police Showers & Toilet Monitors Tent Security

SMALL SHOPS -- Lee Ingram and Armando Griffith (Monty)

Bricks Factory
Electronics & P. A. Shop
Graphics Shop
Refrigeration & Sm Appliance Shop
Sawmill
Sawmill, Alaskan
Shakemill
Shoe Repair Shop (family)
Soap Factory

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JONESTOWN: Trades and Skills inventory

ACCOUNTING AND AUDIT:

Tish Leroy, Bus. & Adm Mgmt, Acetg & Audit Harold Cordell, Inventories and Acetg Loretta Cordell, Bookkeeper Lucy Crenshaw, Bookkeeper and Clerical Maureen Pitch, Bookkeeper Martha Klingman, Bookkeeper Maria McCann, Bookkeeper Debbie Touchette, Bookkeeper and Clerical Terri Carter, Clerical Maria Kataaris, Bookkeeper and Purser

AGRICULTURE, POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK

Russell Moten, Agronomist
James Bogue, Livestock
Wanda Swinney, Livestock
Don Bowers, Scientist, animal feeds
Rob Gieg Foultry
Ron Sines, Beekkeper
Demosthenes Kutulas, Benana specialist
Earnestine March, Herbalist
Jan Wilsey, Citrus
Anthony Simon, Foultry
James Simpson, Gardens
Gene Chaikin, Nursery and orchards

Johnny Jones, Administration and Fusiness Consultant Carolyn Leyton, Educator and Administrator Sarah Tropp, Educator and Legal Advisor Gene Chaikin, Attorney(U.S. lic)
Kay Nelson, Business Manager and consultant R. Beam, Hanagement
P. Cartmell, Hanagement
Lee Ingram, Business Administration and consultant Richard Janary, Business Administrator and consultant Tish Leroy, Business and Administration Consultant Michael Prokes, Business Consultant Helen Swinney, Business Administrator Consultant Hary Motherspoon, Business Administrator and Consultant Waris Katsaris, Phancial Administrator Maria Katsaris, Phancial Administrator Jack Blam, Business Consultant Haria Katsaris, Phancial Administrator Jack Blam, Business Consultant Hariald Bogue, Business Consultant

CONSTRUCTION AND CARPENTRY

Jack Beam, Construction Management Charlie Touchette, Construction Administrator and specialist Tom Eice, Master Carpenter Brian Bouquette, Carpenter Kim Brewster, Carpenter

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CHEMICAL PROINTING & LABORATION TIME

Pauline Croot, Chemical Incineer, Mathematician and Scientist Jack Barron, Chemical Incineer Booky Flowers, Lab Technician John Harris, Lab Sechnician and Pathology

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Chuck Beikman Glen Moten

SOCIAL WOLST ES

Sharon Amos Pat Grunnet Laura Johnston Barbara Hoyer

SOAT MANUFACTORY

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TRANSPORT, CATTERTURE & TANTET

Mike Touchetts, Omerator and mechanic Cats
Al Simon, Operator and mechanic Cats
Toury Telkman, Operator Tractors
Emmett Griffith, Unapator Cats
Stephen Womes, To rator Cats
Jose Timon, Nachanic Cats and Tractors
Philip Blakey, Operator Tractors
Stanley Gian, Taddace Mechanic and operator, Fractor mech & operator
Leon Perry, Operator Tractors

TYPICTO AND SUCRITARIAL PRODUCT

Paula Adams
Edith Bogue
Tarri Buford
Tim Carter
Vernetta Christian
Lucy Crenshaw
Carol Demnis
Evelyn Lichler
Ryin Eichler
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Sylvia Grubbs
Jan Turvich
Ava Jones
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confidence in me tha I could, 5 (Reaction to authority) & believe in following intructions of one who is in authority. ((How you feel about dad + the cause) you are O.K. in my book. Only to do what is pleasing to you's the cause . I do worry if I think I haven't pleased you . In anything that is required of me to do. (7) (How you see yourself) mistakes, fautto + not perfect. I have come along way & still have a long way to go, 8 (react to death) Not afraid of fail or death. There is better behind bors. No better way to die than for a worthwhile cause. Jim Jones put his life on the line for all so dam no better Than him.

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TRANSCRIPT OF PRESS CONFERENCE HELD BY MARK LANE, DONALD FREED at Peoples Temple, October 3, 1978

reed: My name is Donald Freed, (spells it), and I am the West Coast Director for the Citizen's Commission of Inquiry Don Freed: and that, the Citizens Commission, is based in Washington, DC with over 150 chapters around the United States. It was form It was formed by Mark Lane in the 1960's first in the wake of the assassina-tion of President Kennedy. Over the years the assassination of Dr. Martin Buther King, Jr., became a topic, and a project, of the citizen's Commission of Inquiry, and Mr. Lane, as you know, represents James Earl Ray add other principals in the assassination and the case of Dr. Martin Luther King. lished in Washington, DC in the 1970's, the Citizen of Inquiry was responsible for the organization of the House Select Committee on the Assassination, and later wasmannamining for the most responsible critique, I think of that same select committee. Latterly, Mr. Lane and myself, as you will learn, in talking with Mark, about the extraordinary story of Jonestown, and the Peoples Temple, and both of us, on separate trips have gone into the jungle of Guyana to make on-the-spot inquiries and research. Finally, the Citizen's Commission of Inquiry has on its Board of Directors, usch people as Dr. Linus Pauling, from this area, Dick Gregory, Dr. Morton Halperin, Washington, DC, George O'Toole, and latterly we are working with the Rev. James Laughlin, and the Rux.Dr. James Abernathy on the Martin Luther King affair. I'll be available later to add my observations in Guyana and some of my observations concerning some of the rather bizarre xxxxxxx, especially in the Bay Area, to the phenomenon known as the Peoples Temple, and Jonestown. I'd like to introrep ercu duce you now, though, to Mark Lane, the Executive Director of the \$610 Citizens Commission of Inquiry.

a witness, we'll be there ar that tiem. Any questions?

Now I'd like to get to the matter which has brought us here originally today, and that is the charges against the Poeples Tempõe and against the conduct of a community in the jungle interior of Guyana, used to be British Guiana, in the old colonial days, came to the attention of the Citizens Commission of Inquiry, and our chapter here in the San Francisco Area wanted, brought this to

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Mark: our attention, (one of the different chapters of CCI around the country, brought this to our attention pointed out that therer bad been a great deal of coverage and controversy in this area about Peoples Temple. So I began by interviewing the porponent of the basic sharges against Peoples Temple, the chief investigator for those who made the attacks on Peoples Temple. In recent days I have had an opportunity to interview most of the key poeple who we made charges against the Temple including reporters. As recently as yesterday I spent several hours with Kathy Hunter, whose series of stories in margingaphyammanham countries (?) where the Peoples Temple was primarily located at the time, h received a great deal of attention. But at the first meeting with the proponents of the charges against Peoples Temple, against Jim Jones and against the conduct of the community in Jonestewn, I went to Jonestown, spent a week in Guyana, part of that time I spent talking to newspaper reporters there in Georgetown, the capital of Guyana, with a number of members of the cabinet, many who had themselves, in the Guyanese government, visited Jonestown and had an opportunity to investigate the conduct of the community. I then spent more than half of the week in Jonestown, and I am now satisfied beyond any question that all of the charges are false, that it appears to me to be a deliberate effort, in which American intelligence organizations have played a major part, a deliberate effort to destroy the Peoples Temple, to destroy Jim Jones, and to destroy Jonestown. In the atmosphere which has existed, I think it can be said that the press in this area has not adequately paid attention to details. I'll give you one example. In this feature story, this attack by Eathy Hunter, several local papers in California upon the Temple, an effort was made upon the community in Jonestown, an effort was made to portray the government in Guyana as a pro-Peking, Communist government, and that was based exclusively upon Kathy Hunter's relatively brief investigation into the politics of Guyana and I read now from her article, which is the basis for her charge that Guyana is a Beking-style, communist organization, government. And talking about her wisit to the Parliament in Guyana. "And what talking about her wisit to the Parliament in Guyana. did I see staring at mee from the wall on the right hand dide of the Prime Minister of Guyana? A near life-size oil of China's Nan-tse-Tung. Looks like it's down the road to Peking for Guyana, if Burnham's referendum passes, and it looks like it will." If you talk with Eathy, and I did do that yeaterday, to discuss that statement with her, you find that an entire statement as to the political propensities of the Government of Guyana is based upon what appears to be a relatively extraordinary phenomenon, that is a full-sized, life size painting of Chairman Mao, hanging in their parliament. Well, that has then been picked up as a fact by the news media, as you know hownews stories gain credibility as they snowball. This is a RCBS AA report by Steve Little on June 12 of this year, called "Update" and in it, Mr. Little who has interviewed Kathy Bunter, makes reference to that interview, and concludes that "the Guyana government has an unabashed admiration So it was Kathy Hunter for the late Chinese premier, Man-tse-Tung. So it was Kathy Hunts who saw that oil painting, KCBS here picked that up, and I should not be surprised if next week, we read in the New York Times inxehous then the tat a political analysis shows that Guyana is a pro-Peking style type of government, and then maybe Newsweek will pick it up from the New York Times, and on and on until it becomes

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ML:(cont') becomes a fact. I would like to play a very small part of the interview that I did with Kathy Runter yesterday, and this is not to deride her, amamamamamamamamam or hold her up for derision or scorn her action, rightfully, but I do point out that her reporting is absolutely terrible and totally irresponsible.

It's only in the atmosphere which exists where it appears that Peoples Temple and Jim JOnes and now the sammingmaindingsmamm. government of Guyana, who offered refuge to 1200 Americans, that they are all fair game for any false charge, and it's not even necessary to check out the charges, any hostile charge will be published as if its a fact. And so this is not for the purpose of deriding her that I play this. It's so that we can trace back this story, and we can trace back every charge against the Peoples Temple in the same way. This is one example, I'll be happy to trace them all back for you, if you like. But let's hear this interview that was done with Eathy, yesterday, this was taped in her presence, with her knowledge, I had the tape recorder on in front of her, and with her permission to tape it.

tape:
"great deal happier after what I'd just gone through. So Forbes Burnham
is sitting here, on the dais, and on this, about where the lamp should
be, is a life-size oil painting of Nao-tse-Tung.

ML: Mao-tse-Tung?

KH: Yes.

ML: And there was a life-size painting of Porbes Burnbam?

KH: No. No, I say, Forbes Burnham...the reason I.was invited to Parliament was to hear him read his reasons for why he wanted the referendum passed. And that referendum was passed. And the constitution had originally been based on the United States and the British Commonwealth, and....

ML: He changed it.

KH: There is no constitution. It's a dictatorship, now.

ML: And the only painting in there was one of Mao?

KH: Um hm.

ML: The only painting.

KH: The only.

ML: And how large is it?

KH: Life-size.

ML: They don't even have a painting of Burnham?

EH: No. There are no paintings.

ML: Just that one. That's right in the Parliament building.

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(excerpt of taped interview w/ Kathy Hunder, cont')

IH: And it is to Forbes Burnham's right hand side.

ML: When he was sitting there.

KH: Yes. Where he always with when he appears in Parliament.

ML: Well, when you saw this painting, what did it look like?

KH: (Laughs) Looks like Mao-tse-Tung.

ML: Chairman Mao. But can you see the hills of China in the background, or....

KE: Oh no, it's a portrait.

ML: Just the face.

KH: No, it's his face and part down his body. In oil.

ML: Unmistakable. Does it have his name on it?

KH: Oh, quite unmistakable.

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Mark: Reihmixmgmsaxmxmimimsaxhkmaim Quite unmistabable, it doesn't have his name on it. Forbes Burnham, of course, is the Prime Minister of Guyana. I found that story to be so extraordinary, because I don't know of any Parliament in the markex entire world, probably even China at the present time, where there is a life-size partait of Chairman Mao. So I went to Parliament, and there is a life-size painting, portrait there, just one, as Kathy Hunter said. It is of Arthur Chung, the President of Guyana. And I met with the Secretary, Birdie Portison, secretary to the President of Guyana, and ssked them if they would be good enough to send over a copy of the picture of the President of Guyana, and when I was there, I arrived, this was delivered with a note from the President's office, and this is the copy of the picture of the man whose life size....I'll give you this, there are copies here....this is the President of Guyana, Arthur Chung. Now it's not just that an error was made, but that a whole political assessment of the political tendency of a nation has been reported in loual papers, and then adopted by CBS here in San Francisco, as an absolute fact. And its frighteneing to me that this kind of,...well, I'm sure Kathy Hunter haixx believes that this is Chairman Mao, but it's the kind of error which can only flourish where no serious questions are asked, where all charges whatever their validity, are accepted and published. I went into the more serious, there is an additional charge which she makes, and that's that Forbes Burnham, whose the Prime Minister of Guyana, has first she said SOLD his personal property to Jim Jones. She says without question, he's making a fortune from this lady who says she learned it from her neice, that it's his own personal property. It's Crown Property, all one has to do is not lister to 6 people who she claims gave her the information,

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Mark, (cont') whomsheumaninamenganamen she will not them, but all one has to do is look at the Sall of Records in Georgetown. She stayed at the Pegausus Hotel for 10 days in Georgetown. It's just a short distance from theire to the hall of records, where these records are available... It's Crown Property, of course, Forbes Burhham does not own the jungle in the Interior, it's owned by the state, it's a socialist country, it's owned by the state, and the records reveal that it was leased, in the ordinary course of business, to the Peoples Temple by the government of.
Guyana. And again, this is a charge which has been made and then
has been picked up by other representatives in the news media.
I spent the better part of a week in Jonestown. I've had some experience--almost the last 30 years--conducting investigations, and I met with people...I'd heard charges that their children's heads are shaved for punishment. I can only say that there didn't happen while I was there, and there was no indication that it had ever happened in the recent past, because none of the children had short hair, and almost all of them had hair longer than mine, it takes a little while to acquire that, most of the people have only been on Jonestown for a year and a half, in fact almost all of them have arrived within the last year and a half. The government of Guyana, and its a very poor country, underdeveloped, now its a developing, but its a very meanximmer very poor country. There are no paperback books available anyplace that I could see, and in the capital, electricity is shut offat various hours. I think to save on fuel, and at water stops working on occasion at the capitol. That's not true in Jonestown. The People have their own generator, and the electricityis available 24 hours a day, and the water, from wells which they dug there, is always available, md its clear. But it's a wery, very poor country. Yet they have developed in Guyana an educational system, and this has been verified by educators from this country who have gone to Guyana, which is at least two years in advance of American public school systems throughout the United States. And schoolchildren who have gone to Guyana from the United States have found themselves far behind, may be that the fact that they have no television km there, may be part of the reason that they spend more time doing their homework and are better scholars. The only educational system in Guyana which is approved of, and accredited by the government of Guyana, other than their own public school system, is the system which has been set up by the poeple of Jonestown, which is a very advanced school system. And I spent a great deal of time talking to the children and was astonished at the high level of understanding and thus thier knowledge of, not only what was happening in this country, but also in Africa nad Asia, which I think can be matched not only with schoolchildren whroughout this country, but with adults kkmmx throughout this country. I met one younggirl, who was about eight years old. I said, "What can I ask you about?" She said, "anything." I said, "I was in China about four years ago, do you know anything about China?" She said, "Well, I haven't been there, but I can tell you that I think that what they've done domestically, in terms of eliminating a lot of the evils, is like a miracle, I think their foreign policy is crazy, actually." And I said, "What's their foreign policy based on?" And she said, "the Three Worlds. Do you know what the Three Worlds are, the Chinese concept of the Three Worlds?" and I said, "Well, refresh my recollection, I'm a little rusty." and she said, "Well, the first not only with schoolchildren throughout this country, but with

The second world Mark: world is the United States and the Soviet Union. is Japan and the other developing countries, and the Third world is the underdeveloped countries and China." That, of course, is the Chinese analysis of the Three Worlds, and I don't know of any schoolchildren in the United States who could do that as articulately and I don't know how many of us here, if asked that same question, would have been that accurate in responding to the Chinese posi-And that was a subject which I raised. tion on this question. Mo one had talked to him about the China, I just asked about it because I had been there 4 years ago, so I was interested in his perception. I had an opportunity to talk, during that time, with scores and scores of people, singly, individually, going for walks with them, and I was struck by the fact that this was indeed, a remarkable community, a change to assess case histories. Many of the people there, if still in the United States, would be costting this country hundreds of thousands of dollars. Many of them ting this country hundreds of thousands of dollars. were on welfare, many 61 them were drug addicts, alcholoics, prostitutes. Nany of them have come from the ghettos and have been crushed by the ghetter society and have actually built, have actually gone to another country and this I suppose, may be an explanation of why it is that Jonestown has become a target, because Romandam this is a great embarrassment, if taken in context, a great embarrasment for the government of the United States.

Over 1200 hundred Americans, who have fled to the jungles of Guyana in search of human rights and an opportunity to live, full dignified and enriching lives, opportunities which were not available to them in the ghettos of this country. And I think that's a very powerful statement, it's not a statement which I make, but a statement which was they are making with their presence there/ their lives there in Guyana. Three people went there awhile ago, three people went to the impenetrable jungle, (I've walked through the bush and xx with guides, and in 15 minutes I would have been lost, in less than 15 minutes I would have been lost, if it wasn't for the guides, I was lost in 5 minutes Maxadministration but th guys told me where to go...My admiration for three Americans who went there and picked out this spot, and twenty more who then set uplittl tents and remained there, and have now cleared over three thousand acres, where almost all of the food consumed by 1200 Americans is raised icassava velapisland banana trees and all kinds of experimental herbs, some from the United States and some from Latin America -- this is become a model community. And this is true that the government of Guyana is very pleased about this, not because Forbes Burnham is making a fortune from renting the settlers land, but because this is a model for all of Guyana, it is being understood now in the Caribbean—Guyana's on the Northern coast of South America, and is considered a Caribbean country because its in that community—this is considered a model for many of the Caribbean countries, it is considered to be a model for many of the countries of Latin America. Governments of Guyana, as governments of many of these countries, has urged people to reverse the ments of many of these countries, has urged people to reverse the habits which were built during colonial days, of congregating in the slums in the large cities. A quarter of the population—it's very large country—live in one city, live in Georgetown, and the government has urged people to move, their own citizens, to leave the mi city and to go into the interior and to farm the land and to make it bloom. Which is an easy thing to do in the jungle, there's a lot of water and there's a lot of sun. So far, the only

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people who have accepted the suggesstion from the Prime Minister and the government of Guyana are these 1200 Americans, and they see this as a model, encouraging people to go. They set up a medical center there, with a doctor, a staff of, a medical staff medical center there, with a doctor, a stail of, a medical stair of 70...70 magna mag magnaxubamaxubamax 70 people on a medical staff for 1200 people who are there, and when I arrived I had the most thorough physical examination I ever had in my life, it lasted about 2½ hours, dispovered some things that I wasn't too happy about discovering, but which I'm glad taxt to know about, because they are things which I can now pay some attention to. And on a Sunday afternoon, between 100 and 200 Amerindians come from the bush, to their medical center, and one of the greatest costs of the intire operation is making drugs available medical costs of the entire operation is making drugs available, medical equipment available for all kinds of for what has become very similar to what Dr. Schweitzer has established, which is, a medical center in a clearing, which ham is available to people from all over the earth, of course, without charge is for the medicine, for everything. There's no money in Jonestown. Mez anamhasmanymonasymtheseshawamanymassass I mean, money is not No one has any money, and there's no need for any money and this ...it's an experiment in full community, an experiment in the future, and certainly in socialist economy where people work together. They raise their own food, they create their own electricity, their own well-water, all of the houses are built by the people in Jonestown, all of the furniture they have built in their factory. They have established a machine shop, there's a young black women who's second in charge of the machine shop. a young black woman who's second in charge of the machine shop, and an older white man who was a machinist in the United States and has retired, is teaching his skills to her. Add she said, "If i'd lived in the United States for the rest of my life i never would have, because of Union problems and other, I never would have had the opportunity to be able to do my life's ambition, which is to run a machine shop. And she's an expert metal-worker. This machine shop. There's a kiln now, and they are they are baking bricks, and they've decided they are going to experiment now with brick houses, which have not been used in the jungle before, but which appear to have the potential for providing greater insulation than wood or troulie, palm frond It's an incredible experiment, it seems to me, and one which is working. You get there by taking a train, which is a 19th century form of transportation, it's a tiny little, small guage railroad, jungle branches striking you as you go through this two hour trip, as the jungle tries to claim the railroad bed

two hour trip, as the jungle tries to claim the railroad bed which can take you from it, and then you leave the nineteenth century, and you arrive, in what is not the 20th century, but sometime in the future, and you see this experiment taking place beautiful

I've been very deeply impressed with what I've seen.there, and I'm mark deeply concerned withkwakak about what appears to me to be a concentrated, and concerted effort in which the American intelligence organizations have been involved, for the purpose of

to be a concentrated, and concerted effort in which the American intelligence organizations have been involved, for the purpose of destroying Peoples Temple. The Federal Communications Commission. Now, there's a radio here. That radio is utilized for making contact—there's no telephone in Jonestown—but they make radio communication between Jonestown and here, and the doctor, Dr. Schact, often calls here and then is patched into various doctors in the United States. He's a young doctor, and if someone comes in who

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needs surgery, either he does it or they die. Though he's not a skilled surgeon, he's a young man he's the medical doctor available, and so he will call here on the radio, and then be patched to doctors around the United States, and many lives have been saved through the assistance of many American doctors who are more than willing are very anxious to help, but the Federal Communications Commission is now threatening to take away the license here on the grounds that business is being conducted over the radio. It's true, its the business of saving American lives in the jungle, and saving indian poeple who come in the first in the lives of Indian poeple who come in the first in the lives of Indian poeple who come in the first in the lives of Indian poeple who come in the first in the lives of the efforts which has \$888.00 to 1288.00 to 1288. United States government. to destroy Peoples Temple. And they have been relatively silent for a year and a helf, in the face of a concerted campaign that we have been able to trace hundreds of thousands of dollars of funds, poured into law cases here in California, and cases kers in Guyana. We have traced these funds which have been laundered through banks in a neighboring neutral an absolute fact. country in Latin America, That's shamminghimixmanxes. Hundreds of thousands of dollars, which at this point we can't, we cannot trace the origin of those initial, but we have a fairly good idea where those funds are coming from, I think they're our tax funds as a matter of fact. Imthinkmentumen We are now concluding the first stage of our investigation, we have filed, on the Freedom of Information Act, against every relevant agency which has been involved in this campaign, the Internal Revenue Service, the FCC, the FBI, the Central Intelligence Agency, the American Embassy in Guyana has taken part, and many others, against various individuals, and in 90 days, I believe, there will be a massive, multimillion dollar action filed against all these agencies of governwithout sent, and against those individuals who are either acting mean direct consultation with intelligency agencies or other agencies. And there will be such an action filed ... It will be similar to the Socialist Workers Party suit against the Federal Bureau of with all due Investigation, except here I think themshammungmanamanaxion respect for Leonard Boudin, whos the attorney, who's done a marvelous job

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in bringing that action and all the historic proceeding that have come from that action, but with all due respect to the importante of that suit, this one I think will be able to show millions and millions' of dollars of damage inflicted by intelligence organizations xmamxagainst Peoples Temple and Jonestown and Jim JOens. And I think the major damages will be very high. So were now moving into this stage of our investigation, which will be followed by a massive, multi-million dollar lawsuit against all the agancies of government. And as that suit unfalds, as in the case of Mort Halperin suit, the former assistant defense secretary of the Enxister in the Richard Nixon administration, against Richard Nixon, Kissinger, and others, and he's a member of our board and he'll be working with us daring this time. As that suit develops, gust at the Halperin suit, just as the Socialist Workers Party suit, just as the Black Panther Party suit, as those suits develop, we will be entitled to a great deal of discovery, and we will learn things which we can now only guess at, in terms of the origin of funds, and the documentation in these various agencies which shows how and why this campaign was launched against the Peoples Temple. But it makes me almost weep to see such an incredible experiment, with such vast potential for the human spirit and the soul of this country, to be cruelly assaulted by the intelligence organizations, And to those who have wondered my why the Peoples Temple has been silent during all the long time of them these attacks, I can bein say that the silence has ended, and the offensive has begun, and before the dust settles, we are going to learn a great deal about the conduct of the United States Government against this religious organization and against their experiment, Jonestown.

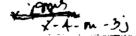
Q: Mark, would you list those agencies a little more...so we --

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ML: The ones we that we have indications of in terms of their m involvement now are the Central Intelligence Agency, The Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Federal Communications Commisssion, and Internal Revenue Service, the United States Post Office, the United States Tressury Department, and if there are any agencies present that I left out, I'd like to applicate for that...

Q: Bow are these bundreds of thousands of dollars that you've supposedly traced used?

ML: They've been used to obtain a lawyer in Georgetown. A lawyer in Georgetown...it's a poor country and the standard of living is not very high, a lawyer was paid \$25,000, this is in Guyanese dollars, in American dollars iss worth a lot more than that's Guyanese follars, the exchange rate I think was (words drowned out by someone coughing) Guyanese dollars to one American Dollar, something like that. He was paid 25,000 American dollars he was paid, to bring a writ of habeas corpus against Jim Jones. It's a lot of money. It's more than Was ever paid the paid for habeas corpus. It's 25 to 50 times the highest scale of pay, and that's by American standards, its outrageously high, but by Guyanese standards it's beyond belief, but it a certainly secured the i intention of the one anvolved, and his committment, for a period of time. Other funds have been used to finance trips to Washington, DC, to lobby with members of Congress where false information was given, in order to for Congress taxtabamamataxiaxa the State Department and others to bring against pressure as the government of Guyana for the purpose of closing down this project, the stories I've heard are so horrendous, that replace -- in fact I heard this again from Kathy Hunter, who never got to Jonestown. She never went there, although she was infited to go, she refused to go--from



Georgetown, which is only 100 miles away but almost 24 hours by boat, and about 4 or 5hours by themmakes almost any other means of transportation, she and others have made the charges that the place is surrounded by barbed wire, which would be somewhat of a trick, because it's 3,000 acres. Surrounded by plowed fields, that there are machine gun placements, mone of the children are kept in jails, or tied down. None of that is true, none of that is true. It's a total ... I'll tell you this: the American Embassy, when it gets requests, sends in its personnel. And if they are told that this person wants to leave, the American Embassy and first consul, along with, (an aside, unintelligible in part)...... local Central Intelligence Agency, goes there with a car, has an indiwidual meeting with the individual involved, and says, and they've repeated this to me, both the embassy and the poeple involved: "Here's a car. There's no one to stop you. If you like, come in the car, we'll we've drive you back. Ynamenameanamininaxwaangainamixminamin a plane waiting. we'll fly you to Georgetown, there's a ticket, and we'll pay for your flight right back to your home. No one can stop us. Do you want to go?" And they say, "No, I won't go."

Q: How many such cases have there been of people who wanted to go, and to
The Emerican embassy has gone in man investigated it?

ML: Well, I believe there was a list of 25 that they checked out on one occasion, and they've gone in there on more than one occasion.

Q: Can you explain to mexhkmimmasms what that case was about the writ of habeas corpus? And how that turned out?

still a matter whichis ML: It's meanths much minimum thin in pending against the involved, I'll be happy to go into the details if you like, but I'm not sure...there are

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so many different cases, we have boxes of complaints that have been filed and summons that have been filed. But this one involves a child, a son of Jim Jones, who the complainant, the person bringing the petition, this person claims, is his son. And that matter's now pending before the courts of Guyana. The judge has withdrawn....the whole case has collapsed and they'll have to start the whole case, all over again. We con't know what they are going to do.

Q: Thy was it necessary to pay the lawyer that much money?

ML: I don't know. I don't know why the lawyer was paid that much money but it certainly secured his committment for the loyalty to the case.. Not a terribly good case. A terribly bad case, as a matter of fact, and the layyer who represents the Peoples Temple is a world-renowned lawyer, Mr. Lionel Luckhoo, who most people have never heard of. But he's in the guiness book of Records, for having won the most capital cases, something like 20, 40 capital cases; he's never lost one, so he's a very well known lawyer, and I met him, he was assured me -- he's the leading...it used to be called Queen's counsel but the British system is different from our system where they have solicitors and barristers, but in addition to that they have Queen's counselor, they used to call them, but in a Socialist country, they call him senior counsel, and they are very few people, the first senior counselor in the history of Guyana, and he's certainly prophably the most well-respected and member of the bar in Guyana. And he said the case was ridiculous when they brought it to court, and lef there hadn't been so much money involved, it probably wouldn't have gotten as far as it did.get.

Q: To who was the hundreds of thousands of dallars for trips to Washington for lobbying efforts--to whom was that paid?

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ML: Several people have gone to Washington. One of the key people in this effort b to destroy the Poeples Temple has gone—Tim Stoen—who had been assistant district attorney and served as counsel of for the Peoples Temple and came on as being someone of the left, and lets understand this, that this is a community whith is committed to the experiment of socialism; Jim Jones is a Marxist, that should be out in front, and this man, Mr. Stoen, came out offering himself

counsel, saying he, too, shared those philosophical beliefs
So only recently, after he had started a series of suits against Peoples
Temple on behalf of a number of clients, which raises a very serious
question in my mind, that is, how is is possible for a man is represents
an organization, and has an attorney-client relationship there with the
organization, how he can then represent people against that organization.
That seems to me to be clearly a conflict of interest and I
would think in violation of the canonof ethics.

- Q; Ridayan Is he one of the people sent to Washington to lobby?

 ML: Yes. He's the key person.
- Q. Were there others? Do you have any names...?

ML: Yes. Steven Katsaris is another person who's gone to Washington.

I conductred an interview with him yesterday. He told me he met with

State Department in Washington, told me he may spent two weeks in Washington, a great deal of time. He has said here, and I've got letters

from him where he states, in fact Steve Little, MCBS-MN, states that

Steve Katsaris is a member of a recently-formed group called the "Concerned Relatives" whose has tried.

to see his daughter

Maria, without success. Of course, he saw his daughter. I have the tap

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recording we made yesterday, which says he saw his daughter. And while this statement of CBS is saying here that she is held there as a prisoner, she went to Georgetown, which is no longer jum jungle, and she met with Mr. Katszris. I spent a great deal of time talking with her, I was alone with her for a great period of time, and she wants to stay there. I can understand that, someone wanting to saay there. I dand that -s her decision, that she wants to stay there, it's not one... he's one of the people who has we me played a very active part in this efforts.

Q: How do you know that his trip was spansered out of poeple's money rather....

financed
ML: I didn't say his trip was ***spansex****....the question was, who had gone to Washington?

Q: The question was, how had hundreds of thousands of dollars.....

Q: One individual. And who is that?

ML: We'll be filing lawsuits. And i think wi it would be appropriate for the lawsuits to be filed before we go into the specifics.

DF: I can say one thing about money. In following the trail of money, which is critical in this case, a very expensive progaganda effort has been made, not only in Guyana to influence people throughout the estab-

lishment, the government and the church there, but also wherever Guyasese people are resettled. — in Toronto, New York, Miami, in North America. Newspapers, families, labor unions, Very expensive logging both in terms of person and in terms of pamphlets, booklets, and dossiers have been widely circulated. This costs alot on money

Q: Was Tim Stoen living in Guyana for a while?

ML: He visited the Peoples Temple, I don't know how long he was there, it's my understanding he was there when the child was there, and Jim Jones was <u>not</u> there, and Tim Stoen left Jonestown leaving the child without making an effort to take the child with him. The question is whether Mr. Stoen is anxious for a case against Jim Jones or he's anxious to have the child with him. I don't think (cut off)

Q: Tell me, how many of those 1200 people in Jonestown have visited the United States, frien ds or relatives here, in the last year?

ML: Have visited the United States.

O: Yeah.

ML: I don't know.

Q: Do they freely come and go to this country?

ML: Nobody freely goes from Jonestown to here because it takes a long time, and it's a decision you have to make. But if you really want to leave, you really want to go back --it's not inexpensive--, I think it's something like 1200 dollars, from Georgetown to here, that's alot of money, these are poor people, and most poor people don't freely come and go anywhere --

Q: Have any of them?

ML: Oh, yeah. I'm glad you asked that question. There are a number of people here now, who have come back from Jonestown within the last -- short period of time. This is Marcie Jones, Jim Jones' wife; and various other people who are here. Why don't you all introduce yourselves, and I'm sure they'll have more information on specifics,

Q: Mark, what's the connection between your organization and the suit? ML: Let me answer that first. Our organization, the Citizens Commission on Inquiry, has conducted an independent inquiry into the charges --

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--nobody's paid us for this--, an independent inquiry into the charges; and we've made our initial finding based on some of the outstanding charges against the Peoples Temple, and the kind of (unclear) in Jonestown. We will be continuing this investigation, we've already recommended to Peoples Temple that there be a massive suit filed. We are preparing all of the material, so that when they decide to file such a suit-maybe there's a decision lready for Jones and ___ the people Thr Jonestown, (unclear) ...we're working the the community down there to determine their policy (?) ... Who will le asuit I don't know.

: Why did you get involved in this investigation?

ML: We're an organization of 150 chapters around the country -- our San Francisco chapter (we've been in exitence since 1964, since January of that year) -- our San Prancisco chapter said that this is a matter which had been a great controversy in the San Francisco area, and asked us to investigate. We began by questioning the proponents of the charges against Jonestown, listed all the charges we could, then began to talk with people here, and then we went to Jonestown, and we found that it was not impossible to get to Jonestown -- we got some other charge closed (close?) to the news media -- I know that the National Enquirer was planning advictous attack. I know What the attack was, I've talked to reporters involved, many of the reporters involved; and I said that I thought it would be irresponsible to file the story without ever having visited the community, and the Enquirer said, well, no-one's allowed to get in there. And I said, "I offer you an invitation to Jonestown, to go there". And the reporter has a wife who is a teacher, a teacher of qutistic children in California, and I said, "Well, is she (garbled), because I'm sure she'll get more out of an interview with children than I was able to, because of her background and discipline", and I said, "You go there, you talk to anybody you want, bring a cameraperson with you, and talk to anyone you like on an individual basis, anyone you want". Well, at this point, the Enquirer tells a story. What it is is that there's the atmosphere -- that it's a closed camp and you can't get in there -- and reporters just have to ask, I think that would be proper--

Q: Who financed your investigation?

ML: We pay for our own investigation, as we have over the years paid for our own investigations of the assasination of President Kennedy, and Dr. Martin Luter King. I lecture at colleges, and all the funds I'm paid for those lectures go to the Citizens Commission on Inquiry. Don Freed is the same thing. We're the support of the organization.

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(ML): And here are people who've been there recently. I want you to identify yourselves, and if there are any questions for them, I think you might find that use for them. If may of you want to, if after the (--) of questions are concluded, you want to talk to individually, with any of the people who've been there, feel free.

Q: Mr. Lane, we did have a reporter who requested six months ago, who requested permission to visit the Peoples Temple in Jonestown, and was turned down.

ML: Who's he with?

Q: KPIX, Channel 5.

ML: I don't know about that one, why don't we talk about that later., if you're still interested, ..(garb) we can arrange that.

Let me tell you about the time some months ago when shots were fired, for a period of six days. I'm suggesting that KPIX was there firing shots.. Q(Beck): Thank you.

ML: But someone was. And this creates a kind of an atmosphere of great concern. And one of the key people who organized this campaign;—and we know the trek they went on;—we know that they had rockets, which they were prepared to fire into the generator—there are four people there, including (garb.)—

Q(Beck): I can guarantee if we had gotten that far, we would not have *topped to shoot our rockets (snide)

ML: I'm not siggesting that you would ... that kind of activity.. What I'm saying is that the person who actually helped organize this, was there in the bush in the jungle, has made full and complete statements to us. Now, he was second in command in the effort to destroy Jonestown. He's now made full and complete statements to us as to what his role has been, how he found out about the fund of the operation, how he got-- what country he went into in order to get into the bush, where they had rockets there, were prepared to fire rockets and wipe out the generators. Four children were stationed at the generator, including two children of Jim Jones' at that time. When the rockets were fired, it would have killed them, if they were accurately fired. What I'm saying is that this creates certain concern, which---

Q: Who is 'person's employer?

ML: Who sent him?

Q: Yes.

ML: Well, we'll have to get to that later as we get closer to the suit--

O: Mr. Lane, could we have the people introduce themselve?

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ML: Yeah, we'll do that right now. But what I'm saying is that this kind of an atmosphere — this bunch has gone down, as you know — there are extremely continually hostile attacks — this kind of an atmosphere creates a kind of fortress mentality among the people who are there. If you're shot, at for six days — a bullet, I'm told by several people, missed Jim Jones by a very short distance when the firing was taking place—— When this kind of campsign takes place, they're very concerned about anyone just dropping in. But, I think there's no problem if KPIX wants to have somebody go there. Someone's who's really going there with an open mind, I think they'll be no problem—

Q: Do you know if that person or persons had friends or relatives in Jonestown? $\hat{}$

ML: No, they did not. The person who was on our tour?

Q: k. The person you may was involved in the rocket firing.

ML: No. Nofriends or relatives. A chief investigator, paid person, chiefnvestigator for the operation. He had no friends or relatives there.

elatives there.

Q: Are you implying that the financing for that trip was intelligence money, and if it was, (garb.) ?

ML: I believe that that's a very good possibility. It's -- you know, when you start listing --I don't have proof of that, we have some evidence -- above all we have a certain amount of logic -- When you start thinking, who would put up hundreds of thousands of dollars to destroy this organization and we can trace back the expenditure of hundreds of thousands of dollars-- And when you find out that money is being laundered through a Latin American country, which we know, we have some copies of bank drafts. And the person that paid large same of money didn't earn it. Not this person, another person -- Bis principle, his principle--

Q: His principle being his employer.

ML: The person who ordered the investigation --

Q: What you're asking us to do is <u>not</u> the same thing Kathy Hunter did, but it's awfully difficult to charge up two tickets to Washington, D.C. as costing hundreds of thousands of dollars -- you give us those two names, you understand what I mean-- There's quite a gap there.

NL: When you have 20 people going from the United States, 20 people from the United States, in the most circuitous route through the jungle of a country, and going there well-armed, we're not talking about \$2,000 any more.

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And \$25,000 being paid to a lawyer, we're not talking about that. We're talkin about the massive propaganda campaign Mr. Freed made reference to, in all the key cities of North America where there are large communities of Guyanese people. When we have weeks of lobbying, numbers of people in Washington ... the State Department, over a hundred members of the United States Congress. We're talking about a massive effort. Now, when you try to think of who could have done that -- when you think of the role played by the AMerican Embassy, the Federal Communications COmmission, the Internal Revenue Service, that we have documented. Have all of this documented. And you wonder, who is putting up several hundred thousand dollars. And you start listing the organizations that might have the money, and likely, interested in this, you have, perhaps you might start with your retired circus clowns -- they don't seem to be the appropriate group. And when you go through all of the groups, who do you end up with? I mean, we are not children anymore, we've grown up alot since Watergate, we've seen the COINTELPRO program, we've seen efforts to destroy the Black Panterh Party, we've seen efforts now --all documented-- (garb.), we've seen documented efforts of the Fderal Bureau of Investigation to destroy Dr. Martin Luther King, we've seen efforts to destroy the Socialist Workers Party, we now have more than one pattern(?), more than one (galb.) in terms of how these operations appear to be indeatify appear to the operation conducted against Peoples Temple. We'll have much more specific information as we get reponses to our application under the Freedom of Information Act, alot more specific information, as we (garb.) our discovery proceedings after the action is brought in the Federal District Court,

DF: I'll just add that our reasearch includes efforts to destabilize both the governments of Guyana and Jamaica by the Central Intelligence Agency. I'll just that that we have a converging lines of research here, and that it one of the reasons for our original interest in the Peoples Temple. Not only that but the 1200 people and the particularly remarkable story that is theirs, but our ongoing and previous investigation into Central Intelligence Agency activities under various covers in Guyana, Jamaica, and other elements in Latin America.

ML: We did say were (garb.) people here, there, and would answer questions then, and if any of you have any other questions of Don or myself, we'll be here as long as you wish so (garb.) ...

LC: I'm Leona Collier, and I just finished a two wekks visit to Guyana; and I have a niece there, nineteen years old.

PJ: I;m Prances Johnson, and I too just returned, Priday might as a matter of

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of fact, from Guyana, and from Jonestown where I have spent a considerable > _ period of time recently. Two of those 1200 people are my loved ones, and they are cetainly free to come back to America any time they wish. They choose not to do so at this time -- they love it there. My mom was a mental patient, is now doing quite well, she is talking on the level of a college grad. There's an educational program there in Jonestown for people who never had an education before. There are seniors there who are learning to read and write for the first time in their lives. Hy son, whom I would have lost, here in this country, -- he had no purpose in life, he was suicidal, and he's now doing beautifully there. He is involved in the construction of houses there in Jonestown. And I just want to say that, for me, Jonestown represents an opportunity for many of my people to actually experience freedom. I think here, we've always labored under the promises of freedom but we didn't really experience it; and being in Jonestown, they are experiencing it. It's a beautiful place -- I can't wait to go back.

- Q: Have you been living there the past year and a half?
- FJ: For the last two months.
- Q: And how old is your son?
- FJ: My son is twenty, He turned twenty on August 3. And my mom is fifty-three years old.
- Q: So the three of you are (garb.) together
- FJ: That's true.

MF: My name is Nue Fortson, and my wife and my three-year-old son are down there , and I lived down in Jonestown for four and a half months And I'm back now because I'm into a project , I'm into tropical fish, that's my project and the jungle is a perfect place for that, as you know South America is one of the largest areas of tropical fish, and that's the study I'm in to. But I lived there for four and a half months, and I'll be glad to get back, becuase it's a beautiful place to live.

- Q: What were you doing here before you went to Guyana?
- HF: Here, I'm one of the associate pastors here, and I helped here with the ministerial work.
- DF: I would like to say that Ms. Wohnson is an extremely talented performer and director, and the cultural activities of theatre and music and dance is stunning — I have a background in the performing arts myself , and I was absolutely stunned at the sophistication and professionalism there . The almost daily music, day and night, there's cultural activities going on. Ms. Johnson had a considerable reputation in the United States, I'm sure has added to that.

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PA: My name is Paula Adams, and I have lived in Guyana for nearly five years, and I'm visiting here. I lived in Jonestown part of that time, and Georgetown part of that time; and I have been back in the United States three times, to visit. And I can say you can come and go as you please. I was one of the three that Mr. Lane mentioned, has the opportunity to be the first that went and cut their way through the jungle, and that was a moving experience. And I've seen Jonestown grow, it's the most beautiful place in the world as far as I'm concerned.

MJ: My name is Marceline Jones, and I'm the wife of Jim Jones, I have been for 29 years. He has always been in the business of helping people, helping oppressed people, he's done alot of exciting things, but I would like to say that what is happening in Jonestown is the most exciting thing of my life. All of our children are there. I'm a nurse in background, 30 Years, I worked for the State Department of Health here inspecting health facilities, I'm especially interested in children, and the geriatric problem that we have here. I'm very fussy about what happens to (garb.) of older people , and I'm also very very particular about health care. I can say that the people in Jonestown and the surrounding area get good health care. I can't imagims - I don't even know how to amswer the sort of things that have happened in the last year and a half, because I have never known my husband a decision that's not for justice, and for good. And as I've said many times, in 29 years the honeymoon's over, or you've decided you're married to a very very special person. And I see in Jonestown the kind of creativity that Jim Jones has encouraged all of his life, out of people who believe in total economic and racial equality. And he;s never made it a secret what he believes:in, he's been very courageous about what he believes in. And we have a beautiful community in Jonestown. Ifm happy to be back here, to see all of our people here that are trying to live what we believe in, but if I had a choice where I'd rather stay, it would be JOnestown., in the jungle of Guyana, because of the beauty of the freedom there.

ML: Any questions of any of the people that spoke?

Q: Yes, Mrs. Jones, why has not your husband returned to the United States to respond to any of these charges?
(Garbled)

MJ: One of the reasons is that his attorneys had advised him not to. The other reason lies in the present need, the organization felt, that at this point in time his presence in Guyana is very important, to secure the

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building of the community there. He is very conscientious about seeing that his people get the kind of care that they need, whether it be medical, food, education; and our organization decided that if our people were going there, or any people going there, that his presence is necessary in order to — his leadership is necessary. There are alot of creative people there, and as I say that's one of the things that is tremendous about his leadership is that he encourages creativity, and there's very-creative people under his leadership. And (garb.) so far as I'm concerned, from my viewpoint.

ML: My/guess: is that he'll (JJ) be coming back here fairly soon.

Q: What begat problems might your husband face that are determining (?) (garbled)

MJ: I'm not — I don; t know, I'm not in a position to answer that, I ... know that he's not --- the only thing he guilty of is wanting to build a better world.

Q: You're living here, and ...

MJ: I am here now, I;11 go back.

ML: You just arrived a little while ago.

MJ: Yes, I arrived two weeks ago.

Q: When do you think that Jim Jones is coming back?

ML: Well, I'm not his attorney, he has another lawyer. But when I spoke with him about—well, obviously (to MJ) when you were there, it was about two weeks ago— I spoke with him about two weeks ago, and he said that he decided that, despite whatever advise he may be getting, he thinks that it would be wise for him to return. He worries over the questions, and to respond to all the questions, and he's expecting to come back fairly soon. I don't have a date.

Q: Did you talk to Forbes Burnham, or any members of the Guyana government.

ML: I didn't talk to Forbes Burnham -- I haven't talked to Jimmy Carter since he was elected either-- some people it's hard to talk with. But I have talked to six different members of the Cabinet of the government of Guyana, inclusing the person in charge of national intelligence, the Secretary that has the responsibility to cover his intelligence work. And I talked to the Minister whose responsibility is health, education, and welfare (garbled, power, something about "not analagous"), but the people

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who cover those areas. And I talked to a Catholic priestin Guyana; and I talked with nearly all of the reporters including the streamers (stringers?) for the N.Y. Times and Time Magazine, and the editors of the newspapers; and I talked to the leadership of the opposition party, and I talked to leadership of the government party. Q: Do you think they fear that pressure from the United States from the

State Department is going to effect them in the (garb.) about Jonestown? After all they're a poor country, and --

ML: They're a poor country, and they're relying on the United States for a certain amount of assistance at the present time, and it's a matter concern. But I think that, first of all, there is a very deep feeling among the people I talked to in government about what Jim Jones is doing. Second, you may recall that the Guyana Airlines plane carrying many Cuban athletes, which was blown up by people associated, but now we know it was the Central Intelligence Agency, carried 16 Guyanese doctors and other medical workers. Sixteen. Which was a good portion of that poor country's whole medical staff. And you can imagine the KIKEXBI concern when it was developed at that time that it was people connected with the Central Intelligence Agency, in wiping out such a large portion of this poor country's medical staff; and that certainly hardened their position towards the United States, and it changed it somewhat. And that's on One hand, losing doctors -- because of the actions of American intelligence they lost those doctors; and second, the only doctor in hundreds of miles around that area, in the interior, is a doctor made available by Peoples Temple , who is making his services available, and all the services of that community available to anyone in that country who walks in. That, and the fact that there are a group of people who are doing just what the government has asked its own citizens to do, go into the interior and clear the land, and make the jungle bloom in service of the people -the only people doing that are Americans. So while there's pressure that has been brough -- I know from talking with people in the government, that 57 members of the United States Congress have launched their own protest, which is United States government not to mention the States Department, and the effort of the American Embassy. But they have withstood all of that; and I think basically that the politics of it indicates that some of their assistance comes from the United States. That therefore means something. On the other hand, they have a deep commitment to what they see developing in their own country. Their future lies in the development of their own country, not on reliance on the United States.

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Q: How much has been spent on this? (garb. - relating to amount of aid from the U.S.)

ML: I don't know how much exactly--

Q: Alot? A little?

ML: They said it was substantial. People (garb.).. members of the government, it's sort of embarassingto ask them, a socialist country, how much money comes from the United States, but—— Reporters there indicated that to me. There still is an American kind of presence. The editor of the Chronicle, which is the largest newspaper, the editor told me he had visited the United States, that he had been brought here on a tour by the United States State Department. He said they showed him all the high points of America, they took him to Nebraska and Southern Illinois. Not really (?) called the high spots of America. Maybe he's lucky he ever reached there, as a matter of fact, he's very Black. Southern Illinois, (garb.) tried cases there. Nebraska —— that's very close to Wounded Knee, where I was the attorney, and made motions for change of venue, on studying the community of that partic of Nebraska, where we were going to have the trial there; decided to try in it in South Dakota rather than Nebraska. So I know something about those parts. In any event, he has been sent on tours of the United States by the United States State Department. And there still are alot of people, as that government changes slowly, alot of people who have very close relations with the United States and the United Kingdom. So there is not just the natural tie, but the governmental ties which are continued, but important people in opinion-making positions in Guyana—

Q: What you said about members of Congress protesting--

ML: They were visited by Steve Katsaris, they were visited by Tim Stoen, who was the former assistant District Attorney. They were told that this is a concentration camp where --- I think the charges have been published enough in the area, but -- they told all of these charges, that it's a concentration camp, with barbed wire. Kathy Hunter reported the State Depart ment to -- I will say this for KCBS, that they did report that the AMerican Embassy has visited the area, and that of course none of these charges are true. Kathy Hunter goes on to say there's an electronic field around the entire area, with barbed wire, machine guns-- None of that is true. The National Enquirer, in fact, had a "fly-in". When they (garb.) they decided they'd fly over very low, and photographed the area. There is no barbed wire, there are no weapons, there are no jails, none of those things. It's the most open and beautiful society that I've ever seen. And -- I may be fooled, I've been told that I may have been fooled, that Jim Jones trained all these people to act, for the four days that I was there, in that fashion. If so, the Academy Award for 1978 as Director should go to Jim Jones. It did fool me. And after that, the investigations of this kind in the past-- At the request of the governemnt of the State of New York back in the fifties, I investigated schools for mentally retarded children run by the State of New York. And there was a serious effort on their part to fool me. It took me about 15 seconds to figure that out, not that I'm a genius, but that it's very hard to tell children to lie.

 ${\underline{\tt CT}}$: Nr. Lane, you also conducted an investigation that indicated that James Earl Ray was in a gas station when the shots were fired--

ML: That's right. Now, I don't think we ever said he was in a gas station. We said this: because 6:01 P.M. on April 4th, 1968 didn't stick in his mind at that moment as of any importance, because he didn't know Dr. King was going to be shot at that time. As he put it together, he was on his way to a service station, at a service station, or leaving a service station X-4-m-3x

at that time. And that's true, and the witnesses bear that out. If you're referring to the (garb.) job done by the House Select Committee on Assasinations, I can only tell you this: that the first person to state that he saw James Earl Ray in that service station is a Black service station attendant named Willie Green, who told that to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, was reported saying that in the Memphis Press -- , and the Memphis Commercial Appeal, he said that back in 1968, and he's never been questioned by the House Committe on Assasinations, he's the first one to corroborate that. by the House Committe on Assasinations, he's the first one to corroborate that The second person was a man named Thomas Wilson, and I conducted an interview with him, and as soon as I had that interview, I gave it to Robert Maynard, who is the counsel for the Select Committee in charge of the King Assasination. I gave him a tape, copy of the original tape, and a copy of the original transcript, and I said, "Interview him!" — this man saying that he saw Ray in that service station. The next person I interviewed was Dean Cowden, who told me the same thing, and I did a tape recording of that, and I gave that to the Select Committee and I said, "Check it out". Now they have certain recover that I don't have. That's why I spent two years of my life trying to powers that I don't have. That's why I spent two years of my life trying to get that Committee established -- because they have subpoena power. They can call a witness and they can put him under oath. If he lies, they can charge him with perjury -- the Department of Justice can charge him with perjury. So they have power which I don't have. When I ask questions and they don't like the answer, they can, as they have in the past, "-- the microphone, the interview is over." I conducted those interviews, and gave them to the Select Committee, and they have been able to question those people and find out what the information was. A year later, Thomas Wilson died. They had never questioned him, ever. He has never been questioned by anyone on the House Select Committee. They then did question Dean Cowden, and he said that he was told to tell that story. He didn't tell it just to me — for years, he told that story all around Memphis; and anyone investigating this case had an absolute obligation to get that down on tape, and give it to the United States Congress, and ask them to investigate; and they went a long long time before they did. My history in terms of investigating this case goes back over the years , I work very closely with Senator Schweiker, when he was a member of the Church Committee investigating the Kennedy and King assasinations. And in that instance, when I worked with him, he always said, if you have any lead, bring it to me, and I'll examine it. And I was reluctant to give him anything except hard evidence, I said "I don't want to be judged by information which may pan out". He said, well, that's what we're here for. We have the power; give us every lead you have. When Richard Sprague was the first general counsel of the first House Select Committee on Assasinations, he said the same thing. I gave him alot of leads. Alot of them turned out, and alot of them did not turn out. In any investigation, about 99% of the things you pursue don't turn out. This was one that didn't turn out; I never said that it would turn out. I just thought that since this man was telling the story all over Memphis, it was relevant to give that information to the COmmittee and I did, because they had been caught with their pants down by offering the American people a police officer from England, who they claimed was a man of sobriety, who in fact was a crook -- he had been proclaimed was a man of sobriety, who in fact was a crook -- he had been prosecuted by Scotland Yard. In order to answer that, they brought Cowden up and had their extravaganza, in what I think was an excess of McCarthylike_zeal, in view of Congressional investigations. I'll tell you this: there is more information now, on the murder of Dr. Ring; and the Select Committee has it. And everything that we have said has proven to be true. Everything. And I'll tell you this: the Select Committee knows who killed Dr. Ring. And they know it was not James Earl Ray. I have absolute proof of that. And when that information is released, either by the Select Committee, or if we have to do it ourselves, we'll do it, the utmost documentation -- When that information

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is released, you'll see very clearly who killed Dr. King and why, and the COmmittee in Congress knows it was not James Earl Ray. They know that now.

Q: When do you anticipate they will release this?

ML: I'm hoping that they will release it — if they don't, I will. He is supposed to testify in November, he is available to testify. Whether or not the Select Committee will allow him to — they're on record saying 'they'll come back in November. But they left a certain attack (?) — it's the first time I remember a Congressional committee abandoning its work, and (garb). activity. They said he'd be back in November, at that time if they don't call him back ... (garb.) and they ... to call him back. Is a very public commitment — I'll probably release it in November in any event, unless the Committee does. And I think you'll be astonished by what the Select Committee has discovered. I believe that they know the names of the people involved. Not just the name of the triggerman, INNEINMENT but the names of those involved in the planning of it . (garb — about names).

MJ: Is is all right if I refer back to the --- some time ago?

ML: Sure.

MJ: About our people (garb.) Jonestown. And it is true that Jonestown is a somewhat isolated area. But I would like to say that on a few different occasions, our young people —a hundred of them— came to Georgetown to be a cultural show, at the cultural center in Georgetown. A hundred of them were free to go to the U.S. Embassy at any time, if they wanted to leave. Among them were children of "Concerned Parents", over there. As a matter of fact, I do know that Don met Maria Katsaris in Georgetown — very free to go to the U.S. at any time. But I want you to know that our boat goes up and down the river, with our people — and again, they're doing the Christmas show in Georgetown; and so they are in and out of Jonestown, and they are not held there.

ML: Do we have questions of anybody? (Slience). Those of you who wish to talk to any of the people who've been to Jonestown, please remain. Thank you very much, for very good probing and developing questions.

Q: I have a couple of questions. People have mentioned specifically all people who have personal gripes against the Temple. What makes you think that they are affiliated with anybody else? (Prob. from Maloney, Progress).

ML: I don't know if they do have an affiliation with (garb.) or anyone else (?). There's no question but that they are being assisted. Once of the best ways I think we've countered over the years, to trace outside influence and often, intelligence influence, is the expenditure of huge sums of money

Q: You don't think it didn't totally start that way? -- but by now, they are being--

ML: Yes, precisely.

Q: Is that a coreect..?

ML: Yes, that's correct.

Q: They didn't necessarily start with that motivation, but by now are assisted x - 4 - m - 32

ML: You put it exactly. They didn't necessarily start that way at first, but now they're being manipulated by these agencies. And think that's exactly the way I would put it. I'm not saying that they didn't start that way. You see, you start with Tim Stoen, who comes on as a Marxist and a socialist, and that's the way he comes on to Peoples Temple; and you discover he was involved in an incident at the Berlin Wall — and was arrested, he claims by the KGB, and came back from on a tour from Rotary International, talking about happy smiling faces in Weat Germany, and the people behind barbed wire — the same charge made against Jonestown— made against the people...

Q: Two other questions --

ML: What I'm saying is , when you trace him back and you find that he goes to American University, and studied for the foreign service for the United States government, and then all of a sudden he emerges as counsel for Peoples Temple as a full-blown socialist in a short period of time, either he's made an almost miraculous transformation— it's possible, but it seems unlikely —, or he came in with a purpose different from the one that he stated. He never told the people in Peoples Temple about his first public exposure; and that is as an anti-Communist crusader at the Berlin Wall some years ago. Had he told them that, I think they would have looked a little more closely at his credentials as a Harrist.

- 2: You said that 20 people hacked their way through the jungle, and were going rout this shooting incident and stuff like that --
- 1L: Yes.

- }: You're basing your knowledge of that on testimony from.. what? You implied that
 that it was just one guy, whom you wouldn't name. Would you give me more detail?
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- 4L: Yeah. Well, first of all, testimony as to what the result of that trek was --
-): Why did they have to hack their way through the jungle if roads existed?
- 4D: Well, let me just tell you. One thing at a time. First of all, the evidence which we have, of the result of that trek, comes from many many people in Jonestown who were under fire for six days. Who were aware of the fact that shots were coming in from the outside. And included in that are people who were eterans of the war in Vietnam, who were able to make some assessment—guess, is to the kind of weapons, the number of weapons, where they were coming from there were shots fired. Alot of shots at alot of times.
 - !: When did this happen?
 - L: What was the date?
 - U: It was about a year ago. It was in September.

" U: So that's the first statement, that comes from many many people, who saw the esult of that. As to the trek itself, the person in charge of that trek, not ust one person although it is just one person—the person who was in charge of hat trek, who had access to a large plane standing by some distance may-nas-ade-a-full and-complete-statement to us about what he did, and what their plans ere, and how they were armed. Not who gave them arms, but—

- : Now this person, you won't name this person-- Was he employed by any American gency?
- L: He works for Interpol.

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Q: Be works for Interpol?

Q: Is he a staff person for Interpol, or has he been (garb)

ML: (garb -- they spoke over each other) He has worked for other people as well.

Q: Was the purpose intimidation?

ML: I want to answer your question, your earlier sugstion: that is, why would he bother to go through the jungle when there are roads? If you want o-- there's only one road -- in fact, there is no road from Georgetown to Jonestown. You cannot go -- You can go from Jonestown to Matthews Ridge, and from Matthews Ridge, you can fly to Georgetown. You can go to Georgetown to just by the side of Jonestown by railroad. And you can drive on a road which -- from the railroad stop -- not a station, just a stop, a distance not very far to Jonestown. But there is no surreptitious way to drive into the community. You either fly in with your rocket launchers and your rockets and your bazookas, which probably would be noticed by other people if you get on the plane. Or you pack all that into a train; or you go in surreptitiously through another country. And I assume, because they were involved in a surreptitious action, that was why they chose -- it's not an easyplace to get to.

Q: If their purpose was not to destroy Jonestown, was it to intimidate people that live there?

ML: It had that effect. It certainly was very upsetting, especially for elderly people, who were being shot at for the first time in their lives. the children — it had a very disturbing effect. Many people I've talk to, talk about that— that nightmare. Their purpose was at first, they said, he says—the person in chrage of the expedition— was to destroy the generators, wipe out the electricity, and then break in there, and "free" the children. Cut through the barbed wire, destroy the landmine field, the electronic strip, etc., then free the children— they were going to kidnap the children. When they got there, they saw no barbed wire, they realized there were no— amything like a land mine— not a single weapon in the place that they could see— and the children (and there was no electronic field)— and the children walking around freely.

Q: Then why did they fire their rifles?

ML: That's a good question, we don't have a satisfactory answer. But they did not go forward with the program of firing the rockets, and trying to kidnap the children. They reached the conclusion that the children were not being held captive.

Q: They brought no-one out with them?

ML: No. They made no attempt. They decided there was no reason , cause the people were walking around freely.

O: Can you give us an idea who was behind it? Or do you know who was behind it?

ML: I don't know who was behind it at this point. I suspect that when we get all the evidence, it will point towards intelligence organizations in this country.

Q: My? What is it that makes you thir? x-4-m-38

Q: Why? What is it that makes you think there's definite connection between intelligence organizations and the effort to destroy Jonestown?

ML: Well, we know -- we don't "think" there was an effort by intelligence to destroy JONESTOWN and the Peoples Temple and Jim Jones. That we know. We've seen enough documentation of that. We've seen the agencies of government involved in a campaign to destroy the Peoples Temple.

Q: You've told us about the PCC, but you haven't told us--

ML: In a minute. There are many many many areas that--

Q: What about these other agencies --

DF: Let me just say about the Bay Area, I'm sure you're familiar with the identification of the Treasury — of agents of the United States Treasury Department attempting to use Dennis Banks' extradition hearings as a ploy for a denunciation of Peoples Temple and Jonestown— and Mr. Banks —despite the enormous pressure being put on him at that time before Gov. Brown's intervention— went public with that. We have seen documented the agent of the Treasury, and his confederates. So, even here locally in the Bay Area you're certainly aware of that one federal agency's rather dramatic involvement in this affair.

ML: There is an addition to that -- the Post Office -- there's a memo, an improper memo which orders the Post Office not to send social security checks to the people who are entitled to them if they're living in Jonestown. And that's --

Q: This hardly sounds like a compiracy to destroy an entire community. That's what I'm so confused about (you could probably drop an A-bomb on that one and she'd still claim confusion -- Maralee Beck, Channel 5). And why do you think that -- detail for me why you think the CIA and the FBI atr sending in people with mortars absolutely trying to destroy this community.

ML: Well, it may hardly seem that way to you. But if you were in Jonestown, you might take a different view. The fact is that people there — Jonestown exists because alot of money has been raised by alot of people; but part of the income-comes from people's social security checks who are there. And the effort to prevent every single social security check, which these people have earned this, it's their — now this is not charity, now, these people have earned this, it's their money; and it is a crime to prevent them from getting that. That's conspiracy money; and it is a crime to prevent them from getting that. That's conspiracy to commit grand larceny. And when you find illegal efforts by the United State to commit grand larceny. And when you find illegal efforts by the United State Post Office —and we have the documentation of that—, saying "don't send those checks", and the Post Office says, "We don't know where that memo came from", the evidence around this. (MB tried to interrupt) Wait a minute, let me finish, because you said each one doesn't do it, I want to give you a few of them, because you said each one doesn't do it, I want to give you a few of them, because you said each one doesn't do it, I want to give you a few of them, the ally in a very tenuous position here — if it were not for Gov. Brown's really in a very tenuous position here — if it were not for Gov. Brown's really in a very tenuous position here — if it were not for Gov. Brown's really in a very tenuous position here — if it were not for Gov. Brown's really in a very tenuous position here — if it were not for Gov. Brown's really in a very tenuous position here — if it were not for Gov. Brown's really in a very tenuous position here — if it were not for Gov. Brown's really in a very tenuous position here — if it were not for Gov. Brown's really in a very tenuous position here — if it were not for Gov. Brown's really in a very tenuous position here — if it were not for Gov. Brown's really in a very tenuous position here — if it were not for

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and in essence if you do, you'll be o.k., if you don't you're in alot of trouble — that's another block. When you put them all together — the Pederal Communications Commission, the work done by the Internal Revenue Service, when you put point by point by point together, which is exactly what the Socialist Workers Party did— and there is no question now that Attorney General Griffin Bell is saying, "Give them the money" That's what he said in court: "Give them the millions of dollars", now that's the Socialist Workers Party — "Give them the millions of dollars they want", that's what he said in open court — "I won't give you the names of these informants, and I don't want any more information revealed about what we did to the Socialist Workers Party — give them nine million dollars, but don't make us make the files available". That's a very powerful case, it's a precedent-shattering case, and historic work has been done by Leonard Boudin in bringing that material to this point. And I've met with Leonard Boudin, I know what he's doing. And I can tell you that we are so far ahead in putting together the ecidence of the conspiracy against Peoples Temple putting together the ecidence of the conspiracy against Peoples Temple ahead of where they were when they filed their summons and complaint, that we -- there's no doubt in my mind that we have built -- we have assembled the evidence now, so that as we move forward, and as we have discovery proceedings, and we get additional information from the Freedom of Information Act— un der that act — our case will essentially be more powerful. And if you approach this from the position of: "Things like this don't happen in— AMerica", then it's very hard to convince anyone. But if you approach it" with the understanding that things like this have happened regularly, and are happening now, if you read — most people don't even know for example, Daniel Ellsberg was a resident of this general community— that Charles Coison Daniel Ellsberg was a resident of this general community—that Charles Côlson ordered Magruder, saying he got the direct order from Richard Nixon, according to Magruder, to have Ellsberg killed, when he spoke on the steps of the Capitol, and most people don't know that, but he has the memos to take them mp in court — that's why Colson pleaded guilty in the Watergate case, because they have that. And who did they send there? — Sturgis, Barker, eleven of the Watergate crew flown up from Miami to Washington, led by Sturgis and Barker and when they were finally arrested as they started to attempt this attack, who freed them? — Two men walked over, shoed CIA credentials, and that was Hunt and Liddy, and that why Sturgis and the others were free. This sounds like a fairytale; but it's all documented. And when you put all of the — things together, but you have to narrow lines, and you begin to understand things together, but you have to narrow lines, and you begin to understand how intelligence works. And the firing into Jonestown is a modest program compared to some of the other programs that the \dministrationsover the years have been involved in -- When you put all of that together, and you put the blocks together, bringing to it a knowledge of how these organizations work, how they can bring in various organizations to do different things -- and you don't see this all until you actually get to the point where you can prove it, that's why we have dicovery proceedings -- XYMMXXXXXX We cannot prove everything that we believe now -- some things we can prove. We cannot prove everything, and that's why you have discovery proceedings, so you can get that specific information. But when we put it all together, I think it becomes very clear that we do have a number of agencies now directly involved. We have a large sum of money sending this expeditionary force there, the killing force, into the jungle--- Let me ask you, where did that money come from? You don't know, and I don't know. But we certainly have to have some suspicions when we see the other agencies of government involved in efforts to crush this community, and we see large sums of money involved ir a military expedition, to destroy this community. And I think that the logic has to lead us to the conclusion that very likely, these were federal funds.

Q: Mr. Lane, when the law suit is filed, will copies be made available to the press — because you have a large number of disbeliving press here (that was the BPP paper talking). When they see it in black and white,

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you know, they will—ML: Me'll make everything available, whatever is involved, I;m sure of that. And in addition to that, the depositions of each of the people — when the people are asked under oath where they got the money from, where they got their wea pons from — when that begins to develop, I think it will become clear, when you have the testimony of the people — This is an early stage. And iTayou're saying in essence, this is an early stage, you're right.

O: I don't think that there's necessarily disbelief. You're weaving a fabric of plausibility -- and we're asking you for specifics--

ML: Oh, I appreciate-

Q: There's an enormous difference between the two, you have to know that.

ML: I agree.

Q: You have to know the difference between what you can say publicly, and print publicly, without some backing-

ML: I appreciate that. And I don't think that --- And I don't consider a single question asked to have been abostile question. I think they're all probing, intelligent questions.

Q: This man from Interpol - what lead him to make this full and complete statement to you?

ML: Don Freed and I met him about a month ago, and explained to him that the charges that had been made —which he was promulgating — were false charges to our knowledge. And we invited him to go to Jonestown. He said, "Are you serious that I can actually get in there?"; we said "Sure". Now here is the key enemy of the Peoples Temple, and the key enemy of Jonestown. And it was our suggestion that he go there.

Q: This is the man that shot at them?

ML: Yeah. I'm not saying that he did the shooting, but he was part of that force that went down there. And he went downthere with rockets, that's right, he lead this trek through the jumgle. And he was invited back there as a guest. And he went there, he stayed there several days. I wasn't there then, but I had arrived in Georgetown on my way to Jonestown when he had just come out of Jonestown, and was in Georgetown. I talked with him, and he said, "I'm satisfied that all the charges are false. All the things that we've been told, all the charges that we've been making. They are false. I have been misused, and now (garb)."

Q: He apparently made charges. What charges did he make?

ML: The same thing: concentration camp, beating children, barbed wire. And of course he got there, there was no barbed wire.

Q: Mr. Lane, you said that your organization's original interest in this community, was because you are already investigating CIA activity in Jamaica and Guyana?

DF: And elsewhere. This is our orientation MEXEMEXEMENT as a freedom of information group.

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Q: Where did your invetiagtion into all these other places -- Jamaica and Guyana-- start, as an organization, your organization?

DF: Well, as Mr. Lane brought his investigation into the assasination of President Kennedy to wider and wider groups, and after the Pentagon Papers and Watergate, there is what has been called a Freedom of Information Movement that began in this country. Then large numbers of researchers began considering Mr. Lane the outstanding research historian in the country, began to associet themselves — Dr. Pauling, some of the other people I mentioned— and a community in Washington, with Morton Halpern and others began to function, and my interest, as a teacher and a writer and researcher, was to go out from the murder of President Kennedy into where the trail followed, and the trail lead in . directions which eventually to a study in Latin America and Africa and elsewhere, of American intelligence activity.

Q: When did your investigation into Jamaica and Guyana start?

DF: In the late 1960's . And as you know, Mr. Agee and others who have later brought forth evidence -- And there's now a loose grouping, or community of scholars and researchers of American citizenship worldwide now.

Q: This is primarily of the CIA involvement in those countries?

ML: The CIA involvement in Guyana is very well-documented now, and there's a great deal of frautration in intelligence organizations in this country about what has taken place in Guyana. Cheddi Jagan, an avowed Harxist, who was trying to bring about a socialist state in Guyana, was in fact the Premier at the time that the Cetral Intelligence Agency played a major part—

Q: This is dating back to the 60's?

ML: That's right.

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Q: So far as your information's concerned, the CIA presence in Guyana, or your belief of it dates back to the 60's?

ML: Oh yeah. Let me just say this: that it not our belief of it. It's -documented now. And the Central Intelligence Agency played a major part in
deposing Cheddi Jagan, and installed Forbes Burnham. Burnham had admitted that,
more recently. And, Burnham says however, some years ago he offered a
statement called the Guyana Declaration of (??), in which he announced that
their country's now on the road to socialism. And it's his position that he
is the only person put in office by the Cetral Intelligence Agency who used
the CIA, who was not used by the Central Intelligence Agency.

Q: Are you telling us, according to your data, that the CIA went down there before Jonestown?

ML: Oh. Where haven't they been before Jonestown? But the Premier of the country has discussed this openly, that's correct. And Guyana represents a terrible moment of frustration for the Central Intelligence Agency, for they put in a government, and the government became a socialist government; and started exappropriating British property, American property, and making it a nationalized (garb). And this has been discussed openly, and the United States government has feelings of frustration towards what has taken place there.

Q: One other question. Are there any agencies besides the CIA who are not asmost of the agencies you mentioned by name, are people who, were specifically asked in the local XX press, by local people with personal gripes against X-4-M-F

the Temple. Two in fact take action. You know, they were asked to do so. Do you know of any agency that you can document has taken action on the Jonestown matter, that was not asked to do so? -- by either -- for instance, the State was asked to do so by supposedly --

ML: Well, we don't know why the Treasury Dept went to Dennis Banks—with this deal, but I don't think that anyone concerned families '?, is asking that — I know, I heard from the highest authority in Guyana, that as I held a press conference down there, that the American Embassy tried to prevent the publication of that story, and (garb) in Guyana. The American Embassy. I know who in the American Embassy. And I don't suppose anybody in concerned families called up. Now, they're acting in this fashion.

MJ: I would like to say something before everybody goes. Now, I don't want us to forget that before there was Jonestown, there was a very strong organization called Peoples Temple here in the Bay Area. That stood for anybody they felt was being oppressed. It's not just a matter of trying to destroy Jonestown — everything they say is true; but Jim Jones has given poor people and oppressed people a vehicle in which to work. And he's stodd with people he considered political prisoners, he stood with Dennis Banks — This organization is very strong; and I personally feel that the only thing they can accuse Jim Jones of doing is to stand with oppressed people. In trying to build a better world. I feel that I just wanted to—

ML: Thank you. If anyone is interested in some photographs from Jonestown, they're here, and if anybody wants a picture of (garb), they're here; and if anybody wants to talk to me individually, I'll be happy to talk with you about trying to work out a trip down there.

Press conference dismissed. Yvonne Golden talking with him, I guess others past that, some reporters. Mostly unintelligible.