

TOPIC 1. THE MILITARY PURPOSE OF THE JONESTOWN TRAGEDY

1 Relatives' concerns drew Congressman Leo Ryan toward an investigation of Jonestown.



2 Beter claimed that unsatisfactory official reports deliberately encouraged Ryan to travel.



3 He recalled his 1974 allegations of a secret Soviet missile base in Guyana.



4 He connected the former American Atkinson airfield with a wider geopolitical plan.



5 Beter alleged that intelligence operatives had gradually manipulated Jim Jones and his organization.



6 He portrayed a secret plan to use a civilian disaster as cover for a military raid.



7 He interpreted the controversy over Cuban MiG-23 aircraft as a diversion.



8 The deaths in Guyana formed the tragic center of his account; the secret-operation claims remain unverified.



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TOPIC 2. THE BATTLE OF GUYANA, THANKSGIVING DAY, 1978

1 Beter linked the MiG-23 dispute and tense Moscow talks to his alleged diversion over Cuba.



2 Ryan and four other people were killed at Port Kaituma on November 18.



3 Military aircraft and personnel arrived for the recovery operation after the Jonestown disaster.



4 Beter alleged that a separate joint force attacked a hidden Soviet base on November 23.



5 He described the alleged raid as a swift destruction of the missile complex.



6 He claimed that some concealed cargo contained captured warheads rather than Jonestown victims.



7 Changing death counts became, in Beter's interpretation, evidence of a cover story.



8 Authorities identified Jones's body; Beter instead alleged a look-alike and a secret escape.



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TOPIC 3

THE OPENING SCENES OF NUCLEAR WAR ONE

- 1** Beter compared hidden beginnings of conflict with the years before America's entry into World War II.



- 2** He declared the alleged November 23 battle the beginning of 'Nuclear War One'.



- 3** He predicted Russian retaliation for the alleged destruction of the overseas installation.



- 4** He speculated that retaliation might resemble a natural disaster: "geophysical warfare".



- 5** He recalled his alleged 1977 Moon battle as the turning point in military power.



- 6** He contrasted SALT II diplomacy with preparations he viewed as a suicidal first-strike policy.



- 7** He argued that the alleged operation sacrificed more American civilians than enemy personnel.



- 8** He ended with a warning to remember the past and resist repeating catastrophe.



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