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Dear Ana Maria,

Referring to our conversation of last friday I am sending you the requested report by the UPS which agreed to handle this mail " COLLECT ". (sorry for this cheap shot but special delivery from Surinam costs a lot and the fondation is very poor.)

I have inquired on the Panday case and could not receive the information in time. I do enclose the Newspaper clipping and its translation for your information. If I receive any more details I will fax the info to you.

In the meantime the Government deposit their last down payment through the Surinam Central Bank into the Aloeboetoe account. We are now in the position to pay the elderlies their complete compensation and have the saldo allocated to the MINORS to be invested for a relative good interest rate at the Bank. The second payment to the elderlies took place by the end of March and the Foundation still owes them some 50% which hopefully can be paid soon.

Hope that this will meet your request and we remain at present for a better future,

Regards,



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FIELD MISSION TO PAY SURVIVORS AT GUYABA
REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE STICHTING BEHEER FONDSSEN ALOEBOETOE
REGARDING SURVIVORS AT GUYABA

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RELATIVES REFUSE INDEMNITY

The relatives of Mr. Ashok Gangaram Panday, who, according to an official report committed suicide in 1988 while under arrest by the Military Police here, has refused USd. 10,000 in compensation money from the Surinamese government. The Interamerican Court of Justice in Costa Rica had ordered the payment of a compensation fee in a case against the Surinamese government.

According to his relatives, Mr. Gangaram Panday had been tortured by the MP during his arrest. They now appealed against the ruling at the Interamerican Court. Mr. Gangaram Panday was expelled by the Dutch authorities in November of 1988 and arrested by the Military Police upon his arrival at the Zandery airport here.

LABOUR MINISTER ON EFFECTS OF ADJUSTMENT

The government of Suriname does not rule out the possibility of social eruptions as a consequence of structural adjustment, while it is seriously looking for solutions to curb the negative effects of the economic crisis now effecting the nation.

Labour Minister J. Kross said this last week as he addressed the annual session of the International Labour Organization (ILO) in Geneva. In his address Mr. Kross pleaded for social justice, stating that this had been the reason for social partners in Suriname to begin tripartite consultations. The Minister also announced the ratification soon by Suriname of ILO conventions 98 and 154, which he said would require some changes in Surinamese legislation.

ILO Convention 98 deals with the right to organize and to collectively negotiate, while ILO convention 154 regards the stimulation of collective negotiating.

LEGISLATOR WANTS SMUGGLING ON VISITING GUYANESE PRESIDENT'S AGENDA

Legislator Arnold Kruisland of the ruling "Nieuw Front" coalition has requested that the problem of smuggling across the border between Suriname and Guyana, be included in the agenda of Guyanese President Cheddi Jagan, who is scheduled to pay an official visit this week. According to Mr. Kruisland, many machines used in agriculture, forestry and mining are being smuggled from Suriname to Guyana. In a letter to President R. Venetiaan, Mr. Kruisland noted that the Foreign Ministry here has repeatedly called upon the authorities in Georgetown to pay attention to the smuggling issue, but that it had yielded little results so far. Mr. Kruisland is a member of the National Assembly's committee on Foreign Affairs.