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Contents:

CLEARWATER, Fla., Jan. 24/PRN - The Church of Scientology - joining other prominent national religious groups - announced here today it has filed a federal lawsuit asking that a charitable solicitation ordinance enacted by the city of Clearwater against what the church termed “all religious and charitable organizations” to be declared unconstitutional, and that the city be enjoined from enforcing it.

The action by the Church of Scientology’s Flag Service Organization, headquartered in Clearwater, came only days after an initial constitutional challenge to the ordinance - potentially of landmark significance - was launched by a coalition of major religious groups, including the National Council of Churches, the American Jewish Committee, the American Baptist Church, and Americans United for Separation of Church and State.

In its suit filed in U.S. District Court, Tampa, the Church of Scientology charged that the Clearwater ordinance - which seeks to control fund-raising by churches and other nonprofit charitable organizations in the Florida city - violates the U.S. Constitution’s First Amendment freedoms of religion, press, speech and assembly, and other guarantees under the First, Fourth, Fifth, Ninth and 14th amendments to the Constitution.

The church asserted that the constitutionally untenable ordinance - adopted by the Clearwater City Commission last October after urging by a Boston lawyer, Michael J. Flynn - was specifically designed to single out the church for “harassment and persecution” and ultimately to drive it out of the city, overtly violating the church’s constitutional rights of free establishment and exercise, due process and equal protection under the law.

Church attorney Paul B. Johnson, commenting on the legal action, pointed out that Flynn, paradoxically, was the same lawyer who last year claimed - abortively - that L. Ron Hubbard, founder of Dianetics and Scientology religious technology, was a “missing person.” Flynn was subsequently fined for contempt of court by a California district judge.

Citing the church’s lawsuit, Johnson also emphasized that while the Clearwater ordinance may have explicitly targeted the Church of Scientology, its unconstitutionality has “unfortunately also directly - and profoundly - affected the main-line religions.

They have perceived this and that is why, apparently, they filed their suit last week.” Charging abridgment of freedoms and guarantees under both the United States and Florida State constitutions, the church said the ordinance would “foster massive entanglement between church and state” by - among other things - unfairly and discriminatively hampering religious organizations of all kinds in their efforts to raise funds; imposing destructively heavy regulatory procedures and punishments; and conferring on the city of Clearwater both “extraordinary powers of censorship” and “vast discretion” in interpreting and enforcing the vaguely worded ordinance.

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Contents:

CLEARWATER, Fla., March 29/PRN - A controversial city ordinance aimed at regulating religious and charitable organizations had been ruled unconstitutional and wiped off the books by a federal court, a spokesman for one of the groups that successfully fought the law announced today.

According to Richard Haworth, an attorney and spokesman for the Church of Scientology here, U.S. District Judge Elizabeth A. Kovachevich ruled on two suits brought against the ordinance by a number of religious groups, religious rights organizations, and private individuals.

“A cursory reading of ... (the ordinance),” the decision stated, “should indicate even to a layman that the ordinance impacts upon First Amendment freedoms.”

Church of Scientology attorney Paul Johnson hailed the judgment, saying that “Judge Kovachevich has struck a blow for religious freedom for all groups.”

The judge’s 10-page decision was issued following two months of litigation against the city by Americans United for Separation of Church and State, the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., the American Jewish Committee, the Church of Scientology, and other parties.

The decision was couched in words strongly supportive of the First Amendment, according to Haworth. The government “must avoid administrative entanglement with religious institutions,” the judge stated in her decision.

The now-defunct ordinance would have empowered the city with broad authority to regulate and to investigate religious and charitable organizations.

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Contents:

LOS ANGELES, April 20/PRN - A man who allegedly committed tax fraud and tax evasion was arrested and jailed in Stockholm, Sweden, based on evidence given by the Church of Scientology, the church’s spokesman announced here today.

Church attorney John Peterson identified the individual involved as Stefan Sahlvall, 32, of Stockholm, who, Peterson said, may also have illegally obtained confidential Church of Scientology scriptures.

Evidence against Sahlvall was given to the Stockholm authorities by the Copenhagen, Denmark, Church of Scientology, Peterson said. He added that Sahlvall was arrested upon his arrival in Stockholm on a flight from Los Angeles. According to Peterson, police records in Stockholm show that Sahlvall allegedly failed to report approximately \$100,000 in income.

Peterson said that the Sahlvall case follows only days after the conviction and jailing of Robin Scott in Denmark for his role in the theft of confidential scriptures from the Danish Church of Scientology.

Peterson - noting the severity of the Danish court’s action - reported that the judge who sentenced Scott ordered that he be expelled from Denmark once his jail term has been served, and further stipulated that Scott not return to that country for at least five years following his release.

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Contents:

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 26/PRN - Symbolic representations of the trademarks of the Churches of Scientology have been presented by Wallace Burgess, on behalf of L. Ron Hubbard, to Religious Technology Center (RTC) in ceremonies held at the founding Church of Scientology in Washington, the church reported today. The presentation commemorated the legal transfer of ownership of the trademarks to RTC nearly two years ago.

In accepting the symbolic reproductions, RTC executive David R. Bush said, “Mr. Hubbard for some time now has been satisfied with the integrity of existing church corporations.”

The ceremonial trademarks - reproduced in silver - represent the religious symbols of the church and affiliated organizations and were presented as a “free and absolute gift” in the original founding Church of Scientology where Hubbard lived and worked some 30 years ago.

Bush emphasized that “Mr. Hubbard over the years has always been available to his friends to clarify points of church scripture and to advise as to the meanings of those scriptures when they were written.

“He has continued - and continues to this day - to maintain this relationship with his many friends throughout the world,” Bush said.

Bush said that Hubbard also “continues to intensively pursue his broad researches in the field of the human spirit and to develop advanced counseling methods to assist the individual.”

Hubbard’s intensely productive research and writing is also reflected in his continuing work on his current science-fiction novel, “Mission Earth” (working title). Work also is actively under way by an independent production company on the movie version of Hubbard’s current best-seller, “Battlefield Earth”.

In the ceremony, Bush noted that as a result of church corporate reorganization and the rapid expansion of church corporations in recent years, “A parallel need developed for the expansion, preservation and continued high technical excellence in Scientology

religious counseling and Dianetics spiritual technologies. “Thus,” Bush continued, “Religious Technology Center came into being.”

According to Bush, the ceremonial presentation of the Scientology Church marks to RTC recognizes and reaffirms the purposes for which RTC was established nearly two years ago.

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Contents:

LOS ANGELES, May 3/PRN - Hundreds of letters and telegrams from religious and civic leaders, celebrities, and private citizens throughout tyhe country, expressing shock and indignation at Boston lawyer Michael J. Flynn for pursuing a case which “weakens the individual’s right to privacy and encourages vigilante acts of theft of valuable private property,” have poured into the Church of Scientology in the last 48 hours, a Church spokesman announced today.

Church attorney John Peterson said the letters were an indication of “the massive and instantaneous public response” to the Armstrong case, which seeks the release of “priceless personal papers” of L. Ron Hubbard.

“Americans have held as inviolable their right to privacy,” Peterson said, adding that the Church’s legal offices have been “deluged” with letters of support in the case.

Peterson revealed that the letters had come from scholars such as William Bainbridge, sociology professor at Harvard University, celebrities such as Grammy Award winner Chick Corea, a wide range of religious leaders, numerous business executives, and others concerned with what he termed “our fundamental, constitutional right to privacy.”

Peterson said that the case involves a claim against former church employee Gerald Armstrong, “who illegally removed thousands of Mr. Hubbard’s priceless personal documents from Church property while he was entrusted with their care.

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Contents:

LOS ANGELES, May 29/PRN - Cross-examination of a former Church of Scientology employee revealed that her fears of being harassed by the church were completely unfounded, according to the Church of Scientology, which released court transcripts today.

During her second day of cross-examination, attorney Barrett Litt of Los Angeles elicited an admission from Laurel Sullivan, 34, that she could not cite any factual instances to support her earlier allegations of harassment by the church. Additionally, according to the transcripts, she could not support her earlier testimony that others had been sued as a form of harassment for leaving the church.

Sullivan’s testimony was sought by attorneys seeking to defend Gerald Armstrong, 37, a former church archivist who admitted that he took thousands of pages of valuable historical material belonging to Church of Scientology founder L. Ron Hubbard when he left his position in 1981.

Among the documents taken now under the custody of the court is one unpublished manuscript of Hubbard’s valued at \$1 million. The church is suing Armstrong in Los Angeles Superior Court for the return of the documents and for \$50,000 in damages.

Church attorney Robert Harris of Los Angeles confronted Sullivan with sworn testimony she had made in a prior court case which completely conflicted with her testimony in the Armstrong trial regarding the alleged practice of “Fair Game” by the church.

According to records of that testimony entered in court today, Sullivan stated that she knew of no policies or practices of the church which try to convince or prevent people from leaving active participation in Scientology and encourage church members to harass people.

Sullivan stated, “If somebody just left (Scientology) and said ‘I don’t want anything more to do with it’ ... then I would sit down and talk with them, and usually the people would come back to the org (Scientology organization).”

Attorney Harris asked Sullivan if she did tell the truth in her prior testimony. Sullivan replied that she thought she did. According to church spokesman Sandy Block, the trial is expected to continue for up to three more weeks.

Hubbard's most recent best-selling work, "Battlefield Earth," is not only currently in production for the screen, but a musical sound track written by Hubbard for the book has been released under the same title.

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Contents:

LOS ANGELES, June 7/PRN - A former assistant to deprogrammer Ted Patrick has testified in a landmark civil rights suit that Paula Dain - who is suing Patrick for \$15 million in damages - was held against her will by the deprogrammers for several weeks, it was reported today by Dain’s attorney, Don Randolph.

Randolph said that Melinda Horton - directly refuting earlier testimony by Patrick - told a Los Angeles federal court that she was hired by Patrick to act as a guard to prevent Dain from escaping.

Randolph, a noted civil rights attorney, said Horton’s testimony marks the first time that a deprogramming associate of Patrick’s has testified against him and substantiated charges made against him by one of his “deprogramming/depersonalizing victims.” In her \$15 million damages suit, Dain has charged Patrick and three other defendants with conspiring to violate her civil and constitutional rights.

Randolph said that in her testimony, Horton declared that Patrick contacted and then hired her specifically to act as an assistant in the attempted deprogramming of Dain in September 1979.

Horton - known during that attempt only by the alias “Karen” - testified that during her captivity, Dain was moved to a number of locations to prevent anyone from discovering her whereabouts. Randolph said that Patrick and several others were hired by Dain’s father and stepmother to attempt to forcibly destroy her faith in the religion of Scientology.

Horton corroborated Dain’s charges of having been lured to a house in Laguna Beach, Calif., on the pretext that it was a surprise party for a friend.

According to Randolph, Horton testified that on the first day of the attempted deprogramming she, and other assistant she identified as Judy Bolstad - known during that period by the alias “Sarah” - physically seized Dain when she tried to leave the house.

Horton told the court that “it was understood that she (Dain) was not to be allowed to leave the site of the deprogramming.”

Randolph said that Horton testified that Dain was dragged to a bedroom, “fighting and screaming to get free.” After about 10 minutes, Horton recounted, Dain was subdued and the intensive deprogramming sessions by Patrick began.

Randolph said that Patrick - who already has two convictions for unlawful imprisonment in connection with earlier deprogramming attempts - had disclaimed in his earlier testimony any knowledge of who “Karen” and “Sarah” were, or what roles they were to play during the Dain ordeal, and had denied having had any contact with Horton either prior to or following the September 1979 Dain deprogramming episode.

Randolph said that in direct contradiction to Patrick’s statements, Horton testified that Patrick not only knew her name but had been in personal contact with her on four or five separate occasions prior to the Dain deprogramming attempt and had, in fact, driven her and Bolstad to Laguna Beach on Sept. 1, 1979, one day before Dain’s arrival to attend the purported party.

Horton also described at least two occasions - one in February 1980, the other in March or April 1983 - on which, contrary to Patrick’s prior testimony, she said she met with him, subsequent to the Dain deprogramming.

Horton told the court that Patrick had advised her not to worry about the Dain trial since no one knew who she really was.

Patrick’s co-defendants in the \$15 million civil rights suit are Nan McLean, a Canadian deprogrammer; Paulette Cooper, a New York free-lance writer; and Los Angeles lawyer Richard Akemon.

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Contents:

LOS ANGELES, June 25/PRN - Church of Scientology attorney John Peterson announced Friday that he had filed a notice of appeal with the Superior Court of California and an emergency application for stay pending the appeal of a decision issued June 21 by Superior Court Judge Paul Breckenridge.

Breckenridge issued a memorandum of intended decision in a suit brought by the church and Mrs. L. Ron Hubbard against a former church employee, Gerald Armstrong, for unlawfully taking thousands of pages of valuable documents and personal papers belonging to Scientology founder L. Ron Hubbard and Mrs. Hubbard.

The decision, according to Peterson, “was completely ludicrous. On the one hand, it is clear that the trial court found there was an invasion of privacy and conversion of the documents and papers by Armstrong for purposes other than those for which they were entrusted to him. Yet, the trial court ordered that the personal and private documents be unsealed and made available for public access.

“Under this decision,” Peterson said, “any person or institution - religious or otherwise - is no longer safe from anyone just coming along and stealing their personal effects and then exposing them to public view.”

According to the emergency application to the California Appeals Court, Peterson is asking the court to maintain an earlier injunction against the public use or inspection of the documents taken by Armstrong.

Peterson went on to say that “since the Superior Court’s unsealing order materially dissolved the prior injunction and changed the status quo, a stay by the appeals court seems mandatory.

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Contents:

LOS ANGELES, June 28/PRN - Summer fun for kids can mean worry and upsets for parents: it is a time for minor accidents and problems. However, some parents have found workable techniques for dealing with these summer mishaps.

L. Ron Hubbard, in his book “Child Dianetics,” offers some tips and simple techniques many parents have found helpful in keeping summer fun from becoming summer frustration.

“During the summer you have kids out and about on field trips. If they’re hurt, it can ruin the whole day,” says Norva Jackson of Los Angeles, a parent, school director and camp counsellor.

“If you know Dianetics techniques, you can save the day. These techniques allow parents to let their kids be more self-determined over these minor upsets and help speed up the healing process of any injuries. And kids tend to become less accident-prone.”

According to Hubbard, if your child is injured, you should hold him and comfort him, but don’t talk or allow any noise until the child recovers from the initial shock. Have him tell you how he hurt himself or get him to point to the area or show you what happened. Have him go over the incident several times until he starts feeling better. If the injury is not severe, eventually the child will start smiling and return to play, Hubbard said.

Vicky Dougherty, director of a children’s camp in Pasadena and mother of a 4-1/2-yearold, has used Dianetics - along with medical first aid - to help injured children. She told of a little girl who had fallen on her face in a game of tag and cut herself. Dougherty immediately applied techniques she had learned through Dianetics and the child recovered quickly enough to be able to return to play.

Dianetics techniques emphasize that a child, like an adult, has a right to his own selfdeterminism. “The main consideration in raising children is the problem of training them without breaking them,” Hubbard writes. “You want to raise your child in such a way that you don’t have to control him; so that he will be in full possession of himself at all times. Upon that depends his good behavior, his health, his sanity.”

According to Mary May, director of a columbus, Ohio, day-care center with 16 years experience in child care, and herself a mother of three: “Parents are often frustrated

because they have no source of answers for problems they have with their kids. They equate misbehavior with badness. Applying Dianetics techniques, they become more tolerant and can allow their children to be more free, more able to create their own space ...”

“Child Dianetics” offers useful techniques to parents when their children get bored or frustrated, simple exercises they can do with their children, for as little as half-an-hour a day.

For example, to keep a child occupied on a long trip, a parent can help the child recall pleasurable moments he has had. The parent should make a game of it, as children love to recall happy moments. These techniques can assist in raising a child’s self-confidence and increase his attention span.

Jeannie Shurman of Malibu, mother of two boys, said: “I noticed my older son has been so much calmer and easier to get along with since using these techniques. He has more consideration of us as parents and has been helpful with his younger brother. My husband and I have also found it’s easier to communicate with our children.”

Shurman describes the time her younger son fell down a 12-foot cliff, hitting his head on the rocks. His face was bruised and the skin abraded. After application of simple Dianetics procedures, he was soon smiling again, she said. “I was amazed that his cuts and bruises healed within a couple of days, and he had no aftereffects or fear of heights.”

What’s the best thing a parent can do in any season? “A good stable adult with love and tolerance in his heart,” according to Hubbard, “is about the best therapy a child can have.”

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Contents:

LOS ANGELES, July 3/PRN - A ruling by a Boston federal judge has given the Church of Scientology a “milestone victory” in a case that has been pending for nearly five years, an attorney for the church announced here today.

Church attorney John Peterson hailed as “gratifying and significant” Boston U.S. District Judge W. Arthur Garrity’s five-page decision which slapped LaVonda Van Schaick, a former church member, with “reasonable expenses, including attorney’s fees” for her failure to cooperate during a court-ordered psychiatric examination.

According to Peterson, the judge wrote that Van Schaick’s \$200 million case “stands on the precipice of dismissal,” because of her “failure to cooperate ... was deliberate.” The judge reviewed evidence presented by a federal magistrate appointed to oversee the examination, Peterson said, and then accepted the magistrate’s recommendation that there are ample grounds for dismissal, conditional only on the ground that Van Schaick “submit to a complete psychiatric interview, to be conducted at (the) plaintiff’s expense, at which (the) plaintiff shall fully cooperate with (the) defendant’s psychiatrists.”

“With the imposition of strong sanctions,” Peterson added, “we are confident that future lawsuits attacking churches and other religious institutions will be heartily discouraged, especially phony claims like this one.”

Peterson also applauded Garrity’s rejection of the opinion of plaintiff-sponsored psychiatrist John Clark, who “never even saw the plaintiff, by his own admission,” Peterson said.

Rev. Heber Jentsch, president of the Church of Scientology International, called the judge’s ruling “a timely blow against small but raucous anti-religious elements” in America.

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Contents:

LOS ANGELES, July 19/PRN - Ronald DeWolf, the estranged, disinherited son of bestselling author and Scientology founder L. Ron Hubbard, has paid \$6,382.71 for legal costs incurred during his unsuccessful 1982 attempt to take control of his father’s estate for himself and Boston lawyer Michael Flynn, the church reported today.

While DeWolf’s allegations initially gained national media attention, the court threw out his petition and ordered him to pay \$4,723.97 in court costs for bringing the “groundless case” to court. An additional \$1,658.74 was charged and collected because DeWolf failed to pay the initial costs promptly.

Church attorney John Peterson said that “Flynn and DeWolf toured the country with their outrageous and scurrilous allegations which proved to be nothing more than attempts to generate enough adverse publicity to influence the court and grab control of the estate.”

Peterson continued: “After hearing all of Flynn’s and DeWolf’s arguments, the judge not only threw the case out of court as being completely without merit, but he also held Flynn in contempt for violating court orders during the trial and ordered Flynn to pay a court fine. Flynn’s client, DeWolf, not only lost his case, but had to pay costs as further humiliation.”

Peterson revealed that DeWolf made an offer to pay, following a Monday hearing in Reno, Nev., during which a Nevada district court-appointed special master, Craig L. Imara, stated he would authorize a motion to compel DeWolf to disclose all of his personal and business financial records for the past five years.

According to Peterson, DeWolf had “dragged his feet from more than a year and claimed he was unable to pay the court costs, saying that me was ‘destitute.’ Evidence, however, had been uncovered that DeWolf had concealed more than \$60,000 in cash and other assets when he filed his then-third bankruptcy in April 1979.”

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Contents:

LOS ANGELES, July 24/PRN - Federal investigators are in possession of documentation allegedly detailing a criminal conspiracy to loot the personal estate of best-selling author and Scientology founder L. Ron Hubbard with a counterfeit and forged \$2 million check.

The declaration was filed in a Los Angeles federal court and released at a news conference today by noted civil rights attorney Donald C. Randolph, the Church of Scientology reported.

The check was then used in the sensational Riverside, Calif., probate case in an aborted attempt to seize control of the legendary writer’s estate, the church said.

According to these documented eyewitness accounts, Randolph told the U.S. District Court that Boston personal injury attorney Michael Flynn, long-time critic of the church, secretly hired a forger to pass a counterfeit \$2 million check against Hubbard’s account, the church reported.

Randolph charged that Flynn then used his own felony to initiate the sensationalized 1982 probate case brought by Hubbard’s estranged son, Ronald E. DeWolf, to argue that the best-selling author’s estate was in jeopardy and should be seized.

The attempt, failed, however, when the court threw Flynn’s case out and ordered DeWolf, a 50-year-old Nevada apartment house manager, to pay all costs. Flynn was found in contempt of court during the proceeding for violating court instructions, the church reported.

To finance his attack, according to Randolph, Flynn created Flynn Associates and Management Co. (FAMCO) and tried to sell shares on the promise that profit would be made by capturing Hubbard’s estate through a series of “frivolous suits” designed to generate so much “adverse publicity” against Scientology and Hubbard that the church would be forced to settle for millions of dollars, the church claimed.

The forgery and probate scheme, Randolph said, was but one part of the Flynn conspiracy now in the hands of several federal agencies.

Randolph disclosed details of the check forgery scheme in papers filed in a suit brought against Flynn’s brother, Kevin, and FAMCO in Central District Court for violating the

civil rights of Scientologist Steve Miller of Los Angeles. Flynn is an officer and director of FAMCO.

Randolph said that after gaining access to the Bank of New England, where Hubbard had an account, Flynn illegally obtained sample checks and then hired Ala Tamimi - who Randolph claimed was a known forger, living in Boston - to counterfeit and forge a \$2 million check on Hubbard's account at the Bank of New England in Boston.

Church attorneys also cited newspaper accounts describing the involvement of the same Bank of New England in another \$2 million forgery case where a contact inside the bank made confidential information available to a disbarred Boston-area attorney in a gem fraud.

In a signed, fingerprinted and notarized declaration given in Italy and witnessed by his attorney - now in the possession of federal prosecutors - Tamimi related how Flynn had promised him \$400,000 to pass the check and transfer the \$2 million from the account of the legendary writer to an overseas account that Flynn would later designate.

Tamimi then used his brother Akil to try and cash the forged check in New York. Randolph said that according to his own sworn statement, also in federal hands, Akil was very nervous during his visit to the bank, failed to produce proper identification papers, and left the \$2 million check at the bank, saying he would return with proper identification the following day.

Flynn's plot was thwarted, according to the Randolph affidavit, when Akil panicked and failed to return. Meanwhile, Hubbard's business managers learned about the check and quickly alerted the bank to stop payment. Tamimi fled the country while his brother Akil disappeared into Maine with the help of one of Flynn's men, according to the filed affidavit.

Randolph told the court that Flynn later used his own aborted plan to file the California probate petition with DeWolf in 1982, when he tried to shift the blame for the crime to Scientologists, claiming it proved that Hubbard's estate should be seized by the court in order to allegedly protect it from Scientologists.

Church of Scientology attorney John Peterson stated that a portion of the results of the international inquiry were made available to Randolph and his client when Kevin Flynn attacked the church in the Miller case.

According to Peterson, the affidavits "are but one small part of the evidence collected and turned over to federal officials. We have eyewitnesses, documents and photographs that leave not one shred of doubt."

Peterson noted that the investigation of the criminal conspiracy to loot Hubbard's estate was initiated earlier this year with a series of full-page ads in a number of national newspapers, including the New York Times, the Boston Globe and the Wall Street

Journal, offering a \$100,000 reward for information about the forged check. “Private investigators operating in four countries from subsequent leads finally uncovered Flynn’s conspiracy,” the church attorney said.

Peterson added that Flynn was an unknown personal-injury attorney until he tapped Hubbard’s popularity, and that he “had earlier demanded that the church pay him \$1.6 million to stop suing the organization. When the church refused to pay, Flynn devised and carried out the forgery plot and the probate petition to plunder Hubbard’s estate.

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Contents:

WASHINGTON, July 31/PRN - House and Senate oversight committees are being asked to investigate the refusal of Small Business Administration officials to probe allegations that some investors in a new Washington restaurant may be connected to narcotics trafficking, according to the Church of Scientology’s Washington attorney, Robert L. Oswald.

Oswald said that the alleged drug connection was recently discovered during a probe into an attempt to pass a counterfeit forged \$2 million check against the personal account of Scientology founder L. Ron Hubbard.

Oswald said investigators obtained a signed declaration from a former employee of the bank that said he had seen Kevin Flynn, an officer of General Business Management Corp., in the high-security section of the Bank of New England in Boston, where checks were allegedly stolen from Hubbard’s account for counterfeiting in 1982.

Oswald added that Flynn disappeared when the counterfeit attempt failed and resurfaced a year later in Washington, seeking the SBA loan.

Oswald said that the investigation of the financing of the Washington restaurant - Blossoms - led the investigators to:

- Paul Flynn, cousin of Kevin Flynn, who Oswald said is an imprisoned drug smuggler who raised cash for Blossoms;
- Paul Flynn’s Florida attorney, Rex Ryland, who Oswald said was recently indicted in U.S. District Court as the ringleader of a major drug-smuggling operation throughout the United States.
- Two individuals who Oswald said invested in Blossoms and whom he described as having close ties to narcotics smugglers in California and Florida.
- Michael Flynn, Kevin’s brother, who allegedly orchestrated the \$2 million forged check using Boston organized crime figures, according to sworn declarations - submitted last week to a Los Angeles federal court, and now in federal hands - by those who worked with him on the alleged conspiracy.

- Alleged misrepresentations to the SBA - detailed in Los Angeles federal court affidavits submitted by civil rights attorney Don Randolph last week - by Kevin Flynn's Boston attorney Tom Hoffman that Kevin Flynn was not a defendant in any suit.

Flynn was allegedly being sued in two separate cases in California and Boston for false imprisonment and kidnapping.

"The investigators are seeking the assistance of congressional oversight committees after SBA officials who were given information about the loan misrepresentations refused to pursue the matter," Oswald said.

According to the church attorney, the \$2 million check forgery was attempted in 1982 and then used by Boston attorney Michael Flynn later that year to argue that Hubbard's estate was being mismanaged and should be seized by a Riverside court.

Flynn brought the probate suit in 1982, representing Hubbard's estranged son, Ronald E. DeWolf. Oswald noted that "the petition was thrown out of court a year later."

Rev. Heber Jentsch, president of the Church of Scientology International, said, "It will take the full resources of the government to expose why the SBA granted a loan on deliberate false information and why Kevin Flynn withheld the information that he paid known kidnapers to terrorize people for their religious beliefs.

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Contents:

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 21/PRN - U.S. District Judge William H. Byrne today ordered that Ted Patrick of San Diego be permanently barred from attempting to “deprogram” Paula Dain, a member of the Church of Scientology, a church spokesman said today.

Church spokesman and attorney John Peterson noted that Patrick, whom he said is a thrice-convicted felon, was not present in court when the judge took up the motion.

Peterson stated: “Obviously, Patrick realized it would be fruitless to try to reverse the judge’s decision. He did not even bother to file opposition papers to the motion.”

Dain’s attorney, Donald Randolph, applauded the decision and said, “One of the main purposes of this lawsuit was to ensure that Paula Dain would be able to practice her religion in peace; hopefully, this order of the court will prevent any future interference with that right.”

According to Randolph, today’s permanent injunction follows a June 11 jury verdict against Patrick for violating Dain’s civil rights. The jury in that case also awarded her \$7,000 in damages.

Patrick gained notoriety as the self-proclaimed “father of deprogramming,” Randolph said. He added that Patrick’s activities in recent years were severely restricted by criminal convictions and time spent behind bars.

Deprogramming has come under severe attack by defendants of religious freedom who see it as a destructive tactic to sever a person from his or her religious convictions.

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	(No Title)
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	John Peterson
Date	August 22nd, 1984

Contents:

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 22/PRN - The city of Clearwater, Fla., has been enjoined by a federal appeals court from enforcing a controversial city ordinance aimed at regulating religious and charitable institutions, a spokesman for the Church of Scientology announced here today.

The ordinance has been opposed as openly discriminatory and unconstitutional by more than a dozen major religious organizations.

The spokesman, church attorney John Peterson, said the injunction was granted to the Scientologists by the Eleventh Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals in Atlanta, pending a full hearing on the controversial measure, expected later this year.

The ordinance has been fought in the courts by a range of religious organizations, including the National Council of Churches, Americans United for Separation of Church and State, the American Jewish Committee, the Church of Scientology, American Baptist Churches in the U.S.A., the Florida Council of Churches, and the General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists, Peterson said.

He added that “the city of Clearwater paid more than \$110,000 to Boston lawyer Michael Flynn for the heavily criticized hearings that led to the ordinance.

The city is now minus that money, and Flynn obviously left the city holding the bag.” Peterson continued: “We have presented evidence to federal investigators to show that this same Michael Flynn was the central figure in a conspiracy to forge a \$2 million check.

It is not surprising that it was Flynn’s hearings that led to the Clearwater City Commission’s ludicrous attempt to railroad through an ordinance that would effectively destroy the First Amendment.

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	(No Title)
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Timothy Skog
Date	August 29th, 1984

Contents:

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 29/PRN - A federal judge has ordered a default judgment against two defendants in a landmark case involving religious symbols of the Church of Scientology, a spokesman for the Religious Technology Center (RTC) announced here today.

Warren McShane, spokesman for RTC, which owns the trademarks “Dianetics” and “Scientology” used by the Church of Scientology International (CSI) and other authorized affiliated organizations, said the decision by U.S. District Judge Albert G. Schatz came in a suit brought against several former members of the church who attempted to set up a splinter group in Nebraska, using the RTC-owned symbols.

The suit was brought by RTC and CSI against a group calling itself “The Church of Scio Logos” and against five principals of the group. The group and the individuals were sued under federal trademark law for unauthorized use of the religious symbols.

The writings of L. Ron Hubbard, McShane said, constitute the scriptures of the Church of Scientology. These writings include Hubbard’s book, “Dianetics: The Modern Science of Mental Health,” which recently sold its seven-millionth copy.

McShane explained that the symbols had been registered over the years as trademarks to prevent misuse. “The many symbols owned by RTC are, in fact, registered in more than 80 countries around the world. The main purpose of RTC is to see that these symbols are protected and that the technology that they represent is applied standardly.”

McShane went on to say: “We became aware that the Omaha group was calling itself by a name similar to the church’s and we firmly felt this to be deceptive and misleading to the public. This group was not licensed to use any of our marks and they were promptly sued.”

The members of the splinter group had been members of the church but left when the church did a self-initiated “house cleaning,” McShane said. “In mid-1982,” he continued, “we found that several individuals in the hierarchy of the church were violating the law and tenets of Scientology as laid out by L. Ron Hubbard.

These people were removed from their positions and given an opportunity to redeem themselves. Several of them chose to leave the church rather than comply with the high

ethical and moral standards of the church. A few even tried to set up splinter groups.” Schatz ordered default judgments against two of the defendants, the Church of Scio Logos and Philip Black.

The judgment stated that these defendants infringed on the plaintiff’s federally registered marks and had infringed on the common-law rights inherent in those marks. Scio Logos and Black are now permanently enjoined from ever using, promoting or in any way displaying any name or mark owned by RTC. Schatz also denied motions by the other defendants to dismiss the suit, a Scientology spokesman said.

Since the judge’s decision, two defendants, Don and Gail Hill, have signed consent decrees which permanently enjoin them from ever using or from falsely representing the symbols by RTC.

Commenting on the judge’s decision, McShane said: “The orders were correct and according to the law. RTC will not tolerate misuse of the marks. The spiritual technology of Scientology and Dianetics works, as proven by the millions who have taken services from the church.

But this technology will only work if it is standardly applied. “Trademarks, whether they be religious or secular, have to be protected or else the criminal elements in this world will use them to make a quick buck. The technology of Dianetics and Scientology is for all mankind and RTC is here to make sure it is delivered standardly and honestly.

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	(No Title)
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Thomas Whittle
Date	September 5th, 1984

Contents:

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 5/PRN - The Internal Revenue Service is plagued internally by employee discontent and externally by wholesale public distrust and “massive image problems,” according to Freedom, the independent journal published by the Church of Scientology.

“Our investigation of IRS abuses is being stepped up,” said Thomas G. Whittle, Freedom editor. Whittle said that the 250,000-circulation national newspaper has placed advertisements in major daily newspapers around the country, encouraging current and former IRS employees who know of agency abuses to come forward.

A number of IRS agents have already contacted Freedom, Whittle said. He described reports of IRS employee unrest, fear and animosity for their own agency as “shocking and apparently pervasive.”

Display ads asking for reports of abuses have run in the Los Angeles Times, the Washington Post, the Boston Globe, and approximately a dozen other newspapers, Whittle said.

“The responses warrant further and more extensive investigation,” Whittle said. He added, “It is obvious that the IRS is obsessed with its ‘image’ and yet behind that image we have found an agency that is embroiled in controversy, internal turmoil, and a number of activities of apparently dubious legality.”

Earlier investigations by Freedom, Whittle said, have resulted in broad public exposure of alleged illegal activities and have included the 1972 publication of The IRS Papers, a collection of more than 200 pages of IRS documents obtained by the newspaper under the Freedom of Information Act.

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	(No Title)
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Sanford Block
Date	September 14th, 1984

Contents:

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 14/PRN - In a lawsuit brought by the Church of Scientology, a federal court has ordered the Federal Bureau of Investigation to release agency manuals and files to the church, and sharply criticized the conduct of Justice Department attorneys in the case, a spokesman for the Scientologists announced here.

During the two-hour hearing in U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, Magistrate James W. McMahon said, “The government has shown the kind of litigation standard that would not be tolerated in 75 of your average commercial law firms in Los Angeles,” according to church spokesman Rev. Sanford Block.

Church trial attorney Robert Seefried of Washington, D.C., said that the magistrate ordered the government to turn over excerpts from the FBI’s internal manuals that lay out guidelines used by agents in the execution of search warrants.

The Justice Department, according to court records, had previously refused to give these to the church’s attorneys.

Seefried added that earlier court records show that in 1983 the government paid the church nearly \$10,000 in court-ordered sanctions for similar conduct.

The case stems from a 1977 search of church premises in Hollywood during which the church alleges that FBI agents went beyond the scope of the search warrant, seizing documents not included in the warrant, in violation of the Fourth Amendment.

Block said: “The church is seeking to set a strong precedent that will prevent government agencies from illegally and indiscriminately violating the constitutional rights of citizens, religious groups and other organizations.

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	(No Title)
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Sanford Block
Date	September 20th, 1984

Contents:

BOSTON, Sept. 19/PRN - A 12-member jury has struck down an exorbitant demand for \$3.25 million in damages in a case filed by a Boston psychologist for an alleged knee injury, a spokesman for the Church of Scientology announced today.

John Peterson, attorney and spokesman for the church, said the excessive damages claim - originally filed in 1980 - “was clearly made in a spirit of utter vindictiveness. People who express hatred against a religion and then sue based on that hatred can expect this kind of verdict.”

Peterson said that “it is also perfectly apparent that this case was actually part of a scheme by Boxford, Mass., lawyer Michael Flynn - based on his own documents - to get \$100,000 or more in ‘easy money.’”

Peterson said a 17-page 1981 document, entitled “Class Action Case Development Program,” prepared by Flynn and obtained by the church, mentioned that Flynn expected to receive in the case “a value far in excess of the specific damages relating to the knee, which generally carry verdicts across the country in the range of \$75,000-\$150,000.”

Instead, Peterson said, the defendant in the case, Roger Sylvester, was found liable for minimum damages in medical costs totaling \$1,000.

Lawrence Stifler, the psychologist, sought the multimillion dollar damages award following a scuffle between himself and Sylvester in which Stifler alleged that his knee was seriously and permanently injured, Peterson said.

Documents released in court during the trial revealed that Stifler withheld information regarding his knee problems from the court and even from his own expert medical witness, according to Peterson.

“The jury saw through Stifler’s claims,” Peterson said. Stifler refused to take a conclusive, objective test that would have demonstrated whether he was injured, casting grave doubts on the credibility of his case, Peterson added.

“A jury has rejected the only case Flynn has brought to trial against the church,” Peterson commented.

Underscoring Flynn's involvement, Peterson then referred to charges made recently involving Flynn's role in an alleged \$2 million forged check conspiracy.

In that connection, Peterson said, "Flynn has failed to produce a shred of evidence showing he did not forge the \$2 million check.

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	(No Title)
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Sylvia Stanard
Date	September 20th, 1984

Contents:

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20/PRN - Documents showing a possible connection between heavy-handed Internal Revenue Service policies and the subsequent death of a 63-year old tax protester have been presented to members of Congress, a spokesman for Freedom News Journal said here today.

The publication is seeking a congressional probe into the 1983 death of Gordon Wendall Kahl, a man apparently targeted for prosecution by the tax agency as an example to other tax protesters, according to Sylvia Stanard, Freedom’s Washington correspondent.

Documentation gathered by Freedom was presented to the offices of senators William Roth Jr., R-Del., and Dale Bumpers, D-Ark., and congressmen Jack Brooks, D-Texas, and George Hansen, R-Idaho, Stanard said.

Roth and Brooks chair the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs and the House Committee on Government Operations, respectively.

According to Stanard, Kahl was shot in the back of the head and killed, apparently while eating dinner in a home near Smithville, Ark.

After his death, Stanard said, approximately 30 law enforcement officials allegedly fired hundreds of rounds of ammunition into his house, eventually setting it afire by pouring heating oil down an air vent.

Stanard said, “While Freedom does not condone any alleged illegal actions done by Kahl, it appears that Kahl was chosen by the IRS as an example for prosecution, in violation of his right to due process of law.”

The package presented to the congressional leaders, Stanard said, included documentation on a possible joint coverup of details of the Kahl killing by the IRS and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Stanard said that Freedom has been conducting a national newspaper advertising campaign seeking details of abuses and crimes committed by the IRS. Freedom, she said, is published by the Church of Scientology.

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	(No Title)
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Heber Jentzsch
Date	September 25th, 1984

Contents:

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25/PRN - The president of the Church of Scientology International said today that a U.S. tax court decision has found, for the first time, “that the International Revenue Service (IRS) has been, and is, waging a vicious, criminally secret war against religious institutions - of which of the Church of Scientology is only one of many - and against the constitutional freedoms of all Americans.”

Rev. Heber Jentzsch said that the tax court decision, denying the 1970-72 tax-exempt status of one of the church’s 600 organizations, flatly reaffirmed that the Church of Scientology is now and always has been a church “and that the faith of Scientology (is) a religion.”

Jentzsch also sharply emphasized that, while the decision will be appealed to the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, the tax court has now found - clearly and publicly - that for many years the Church of Scientology, along with other churches and organizations numbering in the thousands and at least 8,500 individuals, “apparently selected by essentially political criteria” in the tax court’s own words, were made specific targets of special IRS “intelligence units ... to monitor their compliance with the tax laws.”

What Jentzsch called “the American Gestapo ... the bandit, outlaw operations of a police state, not a democracy,” included the special service staff (SSS) and the intelligencegathering and retrieval unit (IGRU). Jentzsch said that these units’ agents - in the words of the court - “were free to determine whom and what to investigate - and in a number of districts collected intelligence data having little relationship to enforcement of tax laws.”

Jentzsch said the IRS attack on the Church of Scientology, on other churches and on other American institutions, businesses and individual citizens, “has become more violent, more lawless, and more of a direct threat to our basic freedoms and rights.”

The head of the Church of Scientology said that for more than a year the church and its Freedom Journal have been systematically probing flagrant IRS illegalities. He said these violations range from continuing secret and unlawful investigation of individual taxpayers and institutions to the hard evidence of violent and even lethal crimes against taxpayers.

“This case is the IRS’ response to our continued exposure of IRS crimes, which the tax court has acknowledged in this case.”

Jentzsch also pointed out the tax court decision coincidentally follows an important rule in an ongoing suit against the IRS and other U.S. agencies for interference in Scientology’s religious affairs dating back to the church’s inception.

In that case, Judge Joyce Green of the U.S. Federal District Court in Washington, recently ordered the IRS to turn over to church attorneys what could amount to tens of thousands of documents that will reveal years of IRS illegal acts and intelligencegathering aimed at the Church of Scientology, Jentzsch said.

Church attorneys said they believe this suit will expose a massive conspiracy against the church.

Jentzsch concluded with the following statement: “The Church of Scientology is one of the most powerful reform churches in the world today and, historically, it has been the responsibility of churches to actively work for needed social reforms. For many years, we therefore have exposed the illegal activities of the Internal Revenue Service and its political assault on the constitutional rights and freedoms of U.S. citizens and their institutions.

“This case is the IRS response to our continued exposure of IRS crimes which the IRS’ own tax court has now, in its own worlds, described. What this case has made clear - absolutely beyond question - is that the IRS for many years operated Gestapo-like ‘special units’ which attacked churches, political groups, organizations and private citizens in violation of the Constitution of the United States.

“At the same time, the court has specifically found that even while the IRS was carrying out its criminal acts against the Church of Scientology, the church was a church and an institution of genuine religious faith. The court acknowledges that we were a church when they attacked us, and more, recognizes that we are now and will continue to be a church and a religion. Yet, it has also found that the IRS destroyed documents showing its assaults on the church.

“We think the reason the IRS acts so irrationally and vengefully is that the Church of Scientology represents one thing: total freedom.

“President Reagan has said that there is religious liberty in this country. Well, if there is religious liberty in America, let them get this IRS bloodsucker off the back of the American public and then maybe they will really begin to believe that true religious freedom exists in this great land. But as long as the IRS is allowed free rein to attack and destroy religious institutions in America, there can be no freedom of religion and perhaps, finally, no other freedoms.

“Let me make this clear: this decision has only strengthened our iron determination to work with other churches, human rights organizations and concerned American taxpayers to bring about the reform of America’s Gestapo and, if necessary, to bring about its dismantling. The IRS is going to find out that it has grabbed the proverbial tiger by the tail.”

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	(No Title)
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Gary L. Bostwick
Date	October 22nd, 1984

Contents:

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 22/PRN - A \$5 million malicious prosecution complaint was filed today on behalf of Mary Sue Hubbard, wife of Scientology founder and author L. Ron Hubbard, in Los Angeles Superior Court, the Church of Scientology reported today.

The complaint accuses a Boxford, Mass., lawyer, Michael Flynn, and his client, Ronald DeWolf, of being “the perpetrators of a massive fraud,” in connection with an unsuccessful probate bid in 1982, according to Los Angeles attorney Gary L. Bostwick.

Bostwick, who represents Mary Sue Hubbard, charged that Flynn and DeWolf, the estranged son of Mr. Hubbard, “attempted a massive hoax” in bringing the probate action and that they were “guilty of oppression, fraud and malice” in their actions.

These actions, Bostwick said, included intentionally misrepresenting facts in the original probate filing and during subsequent actions in the probate case; illegally concealing other material facts with the intent to cause injury; abusing the legal process by using the probate action as a means to get information that would help Flynn’s client in other litigation; acting with ulterior purpose to obtain advantages in other lawsuits against Mary Sue Hubbard, L. Ron Hubbard or various churches of Scientology.

“The filing of false information in litigation is a crime and cannot be tolerated by the American judicial system, and those who do so have to be called to account for it,” Bostwick said.

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	(No Title)
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Sanford Block
Date	October 23rd, 1984

Contents:

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 23/PRN - A lawsuit seeking more than \$ 20 million in damages was filed today in Los Angeles Federal Court by two churches of Scientology, charging that Boxford, Mass., lawyer Michael Flynn; his brother Kevin Flynn; his partner, lawyer Thomas Hoffman; and other defendants conspired to violate the civil rights of the churches, according to church attorney Donald C. Randolph.

Randolph charged that the defendants engaged in a “malicious conspiracy” against the Church of Scientology. Randolph said this included:

- the unlawful communication of knowingly false or misleading information to state and federal law enforcement agencies;
- numerous false statements against the churches in lawsuits throughout the country; and
- an extensive media campaign to disseminate false information about the churches.

The complaint also alleges that the defendants boasted “of their coordination and close relationships” with government agents in carrying out their personal vendetta against the churches.

These agents include representatives of the IRS, the FBI, and the Department of Justice, who have all been involved in litigation with the church for almost a decade, Randolph said.

The suit, filed in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, asks for more than \$10 million in 9 compensatory damages and \$10 million in punitive damages, Randolph said. The claims were brought based on alleged violations of the Civil Rights Act of 1871, he continued.

The churches’ 48-page complaint details what Randolph described as “an ongoing conspiracy, stretching back at last five years.”

Randolph added that “the nature and extent of the conspiracy is documented in full detail in papers regarding ‘Famco’ (Flynn Associates Management Corp.), a corporation created by the conspirators to forward their campaign and in numerous other documents, as well as eyewitness accounts.”

Randolph said, “This broad-based conspiracy undertook to purposely manipulate the state through unlawful activities and ultimately to destroy a religion.”

Randolph said: “This lawsuit is important for the preservation of religious freedom, not only for the Scientologists but for people of all faiths who cherish their right to exist and worship without unlawful interference. This action seeks to terminate the antireligious activities and to send a warning to their imitators.”

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	City of Santa Catalina proclaims “L. Ron Hubbard Day”
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Pam Schwartz
Date	October 29th, 1984

Contents:

SANTA CATALINA ISLAND, Calif., Oct. 29/PRN - L. Ron Hubbard, author of one of the best-selling self-improvement books of the 20th century - “Dianetics: The Modern Science of Mental Health” - has made an unusual gift to a small public library on California’s Santa Catalina Island, the Church of Scientology reported.

The gift - a massive, custom-made solid oak bookcase built in response to a request from, and to the exact specification of, the town’s librarian - was presented to mark a period 40 years ago, when Hubbard was conducting a portion of his original research on the subject of Dianetics in the Santa Catalina library.

Presentation of the Hubbard gift - accepted on behalf of the community by Santa Catalina Mayor Gilbert Saldana - grew out of recent communication between Hubbard and John C. Mock, one of Hubbard’s oldest friends and one of the most celebrated residents of the island.

Mock, formally presenting the gift to the library on behalf of the philosopher-author, noted that Hubbard had recently requested that the Santa Catalina library be accorded special recognition for the “utterly invaluable service” it had given him during his developmental research on Dianetics technology.

Initially published in 1950, “Dianetics: The Modern Science of Mental Health,” has already sold more than 7 million copies, in 10 languages, throughout the world. Making the presentation to Mayor Saldana and the town library on Hubbard’s behalf, Mock recalled vividly that he and Hubbard - to whom he still affectionately refers as “Hub” - spoke frequently during Hubbard’s stay on the island.

Mock added that unlike “many people who rise in the world and then tend to forget those who helped them in some fashion along the way, Mr. Hubbard is the kind of person who has never, and will never, forget his friends.”

Acceptance of the Hubbard gift by Saldana followed the mayor’s proclamation earlier this year designating March 13 - Hubbard’s birthday - as “L. Ron Hubbard Day ... to commemorate and acknowledge L. Ron Hubbard’s contributions to the world.

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	(No Title)
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Shirley Young
Date	November 2nd, 1984

Contents:

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 27/PRN - Four men described by an eyewitness as “federal agents” stole more than 600 copies of the Church of Scientology’s Freedom News Journal here today shortly before Scientologists were preparing to distribute the publication to federal employees outside the downtown Federal Building, a spokeswoman for the church announced.

Shirley Young, a church spokeswoman, reported that she saw “four burly agents in dark suits and ties grab two large boxes of the current edition of Freedom News Journal and then run back inside the Federal Building, clutching the boxes and watching behind them to see whether they were observed.”

Young explained that she and a companion had dropped off the copies of Freedom outside the Federal Building and had left them there briefly while they parked. When she returned a few minutes later, Young said she saw the four men race inside the building with the boxes.

“The four men were probably agents of the Internal Revenue Service,” Young said. The IRS is featured in several hard-hitting articles in the Freedom Journal that was being distributed.

Young said that the features included:

- an interview with a former IRS agent detailing abuses within the agency;
- an article describing how a former IRS employee had been pressured to quit after she tried to correct a criminal overassessment of a taxpayer;
- an interview with Congressman Don Young, R-Alaska, who condemned the IRS’ heavy-handed tactics;
- a special supplement entitled “A History of Trouble: The Internal Revenue Service.”

“I had heard that IRS employees have been clamoring to get copies of this issue of Freedom,” Young said. “Those who tried to prevent Freedom’s distribution are guilty of a flagrant assault on freedom of speech and freedom of the press.

“Government employees - as much as any other U.S. citizens - have a right to read Freedom, or whatever they choose to read. The seizure of the copies of Freedom is a blatant case of censorship and a violation of basic constitutional rights.”

Young added: “We will continue distributing Freedom outside the Federal Building and in other locations.

Note - To obtain copies of Freedom, write to Freedom, 1413 N. Berendo St., Los Angeles, CA 90027 or phone 213-663-2058.

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	(No Title)
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Pam Schwartz
Date	November 15th, 1984

Contents:

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 15/PRN - For the second year in a row, in what has already become a Hollywood tradition, the tallest Christmas tree in the town's history will stop traffic when it arrives at 10 a.m., Monday, Nov. 19, at 6724 Hollywood Blvd. Rudy Vallee, Councilwoman Peggy Stevenson, and Hollywood Chamber of Commerce President Bill Welsh will be on hand to accept delivery, along with other Hollywood notables.

The 65-foot white fir has been brought down from Mount Shasta, with greetings from author L. Ron Hubbard, who is supporting the holiday program along with other Chamber of Commerce members.

The tree is part of an 80-foot-wide Christmas scene being built along Hollywood Boulevard, one block east of Highland.

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	(No Title)
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Heber C. Jentsch
Date	November 19th, 1984

Contents:

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 19/PRN - The Church of Scientology and Mary Sue Hubbard, the wife of writer L. Ron Hubbard, filed a legal complaint today in Los Angeles Superior Court asking to enjoin the U.S. Federal District Court of Los Angeles from releasing personal letters, documents and early writings of Hubbard that had been the subject of controversy for more than two years, the church said.

The documents were stolen from the church in 1981, a spokesman said. The materials had been used as court exhibits in U.S. Federal District Court but were placed under seal during the course of the court hearing in which the church sought their return, the church said.

The church added that although the court had declined to return the documents immediately to the church, the papers were now ordered to be released while the case was still going through the appeal process.

“This is extraordinary,” said church attorney John Peterson in making the motion today. “It nullifies the entire purpose of appeal. The issue at stake here is that an individual’s private papers and writings should not become public property because they are stolen. Theft does not circumvent the basic right to privacy.”

Peterson said that the Superior Court was being sued because the issue would be going before the court of appeals in about a month and the premature release of these documents is “a gross violation of due process.”

The documents had been illegally removed from the church by a former employee who intends “to exploit these stolen papers for his own profit and notoriety,” Peterson said. “The key issue is the right to privacy since there was never any question that the material was stolen,” he added.

Rev. Heber Jentsch, president of the Church of Scientology International, said: “Laws were not created to encourage criminality and strip away constitutional rights. The right to privacy is sacred to Americans and was purchased at the cost of blood and great sacrifice by our forefathers. Damned if I will stand by and let a thief take it away.”

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	Court orders IRS to return Documents
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Shirley Young
Date	November 28th, 1984

Contents:

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 27/PRN - A U.S. Federal District Court judge today ordered the Internal Revenue Service to return all court-sealed documents, personal letters and early writings of L. Ron Hubbard which it had taken and copied, the Church of Scientology reported.

The documents and copies of those documents, along with tape recordings, were ordered to be returned to the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals within 24 hours by Judge Harry Hupp.

The Church of Scientology said the documents were stolen from the church in 1981 and had been used as exhibits and placed under seal by the 9th Circuit Court.

“The IRS had taken the documents from the L.A. Superior Court to fuel a fierce assault on personal religious freedoms and its intent on using the Church of Scientology as a vehicle for removing those freedoms from all citizens,” said church spokeswoman Rev. Shirley Young.

Rev. Heber Jentsch, president of the Church of Scientology International, said: “The Church of Scientology has fought IRS abuses of personal liberty for some 24 years. We as a church will continue to publish, speak out and use all legal means to dismantle IRS attempts to destroy the individual minds and freedom of all people.”

The documents had been ordered sealed by Judge William Norris of the 9th Circuit Court. The IRS, after being notified of Norris’ original order, was in the process of copying records, according to Jentsch. They immediately seized all documents, stuffed them into their briefcases, and ran from the Superior Court Building, he claimed.

“The IRS simply ignored the order of Justice Norris,” Jentsch added. A hearing has been scheduled for Dec. 7 when the church will ask that these documents be permanently sealed.

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Category	Other Document Type
Title	(No Title)
Source	“PR Newswire”
Author	Sylvia Stanard
Date	December 3rd, 1984

Contents:

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3/PRN - The U.S. Army secretly sprayed potentially harmful bacteria in five open-air tests in Washington in 1964 and 1965 as part of a biological warfare experiment, according to declassified Army documents presented to the Military Construction subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations committee by the Church of Scientology, a spokesman for the church announced today.

The church said the documents were submitted to Senator James Sasser, D-Tenn., the ranking minority member of the subcommittee, who recently withdrew his support from a proposed \$1.4 million budget increase. The increase would enable the Army to expand its germ warfare testing capacity at the Dugway Proving Ground in Utah, according to the church spokesman.

The senator has questioned whether the proposed expanded facilities would violate a 1972 treaty banning biological weapons, the church added. In a letter accompanying the documents, Sylvia Stanard of the Church of Scientology International applauded Sen. Sasser’s action and offered the previously unreleased documents as a further example of the dangers of chemical and biological warfare experimentation, the spokesman said.

Although heavily censored, the church said that the formerly “secret” documents revealed that personnel from the Army’s Special Operations division (SOD) used specially designed suitcases to spray a strain of bacteria called bacillus subtilis on unsuspecting travelers in Washington’s crowded National Airport and Greyhound bus depot. Considered a harmless agent by the Army, bacillus subtilis has been found to cause symptoms of respiratory infections, blood poisoning and food poisoning, the spokesman claimed.

Using “the number of one-way and round-trip tickets” being sold at the time of the test, the Army report estimated that the “infected passengers” would carry the bacillus to more than 200 cities, the spokesman stated. According to the church, the Army team estimated that New York, Washington, Boston, Chicago and Los Angeles would receive the highest incidence of infection from the departing passengers.

Due to massive deletions in the declassified documents, it cannot be determined if there was any follow-up study of the infected passengers in the destination cities, the church said.

Although it was revealed several years ago that the Army had, in concert with the CIA, conducted similar tests on unsuspecting citizens in other cities, the spokesman said, this is the first time that the nation's capital has been found to be the target of biological warfare experiments. The documents do not reveal if the CIA participated in the tests in Washington, the spokesman added.

The spokesman noted that the declassified documents revealed that the Army also planned experiments in Greyhound terminals in San Francisco and Chicago. The cost of "six operatives to launch covert attacks" in the target cities for seven days was estimated at \$21,730, he said. He added that the deletions in the released material prevented confirmation of any additional tests actually being conducted.

The purpose of the testing, the documents stated, was to study the consequences of using smallpox as a biological warfare agent.

According to the spokesman, the briefcases carried by the Army personnel contained battery-powered pumps that sprayed bacteria into the crowded terminals. In tests in the main concourse, north terminal and shuttle area of the airport, the bacteria were pumped into the air continuously for up to 30 minutes at a time, the documents said. Passengers in the shuttle area of the airport moved too quickly for the Army, the report stated.

The "calculated exposures" should have been "massive," the documents stated, but "very few of the shuttle passengers would have breathed that many organisms" as they were not in the area long enough. Tests in the main concourse and north terminal area were more successful, the report noted.

The test also included Army personnel with "air-sampling" suitcases to measure the amount of bacteria disseminated, the report said. "An air sample was collected by one operator seated in the center of the waiting room of the north terminal building" at National Airport, the report stated.

"Other test team members, each with a suitcase sampler, selected a passenger at random ... and covertly collected air samples in close proximity to the passenger during his stay in the terminal," the report continued.

The church said the report included photographs of Army personnel mingling with unsuspecting passengers in the terminals while conducting the tests. "Photographic coverage can be obtained of covert field trials in crowded areas without calling attention to test personnel and compromising the operation," the report concluded.

The spokesman said the documents included detailed instructions for growing smallpox virus in large quantities and converting it to a lethal powder so that it could easily be sprayed from the suitcases used in the experiments. Possible explanations for the Army's inclusion of the lethal instructions were deleted from the released text, the church said.

In the final report by the Army's SOD personnel, it was emphasized that the tests " ... were completed without challenge or question. No terminal employee, passenger or visitor gave any outward sign of suspicion that something unusual was taking place," the spokesman said.

Freedom News Journal, published by the Church of Scientology, has revealed similar secret tests conducted by the Army and the CIA in New York and Florida which the journal says resulted in several deaths.

The church said a copy of the package of documents was also delivered to the House Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, Committee on Science and Technology, to draw attention to the potential use of American citizens as "guinea pigs" in chemical, biological and technological weapons research possibly planned by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Hearings concerning FEMA are scheduled to begin Dec. 12.

"The church felt it imperative that these documents be made public," Stanard said. "The basic freedoms of all Americans are jeopardized by actions such as these biological warfare tests conducted without the knowledge or consent of any of the victims.

"Government is there to protect the rights and freedoms of its citizens, not to destroy those rights and freedoms by attacking the safety, health, and even the very lives of its people," she added.

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LOS ANGELES, Dec. 21/PRN - Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Lawrence Waddington has granted a temporary restraining order against the release of thousands of pages of the personal and private papers of best-selling author and founder of Scientology, L. Ron Hubbard, a spokesman for the Church of Scientology announced today.

The restraining order was granted as a result of a suit filed yesterday by individuals - whose names were withheld due to reasons of confidentiality - who are named in the documents and are asserting their own right to privacy and protesting the fact that personal information about them had been released in violation of their First Amendment rights.

According to Howard Stechel, attorney of record for the action filed yesterday, “The granting of this restraining order by the court is a major victory for all American citizens who expect the court system to protect them from the dangers of being viciously maligned by those with malicious or even criminal intentions.”

The private papers of Hubbard have been the subject of a lawsuit for more than two years, after former church archivist clerk Gerald Armstrong allegedly stole several thousand pages of private archival material belonging to Hubbard, the church claims. The Church of Scientology and Hubbard’s wife, Mary Sue Hubbard, sued Armstrong for the return of the stolen documents.

At a press conference today at the newly completed L. Ron Hubbard Gallery, Rev. Heber Jentsch, president of the Church of Scientology International, dealt directly with Armstrong’s “theft” of the Hubbard documents and his failure to research and document the actual facts of Hubbard’s life, which Jentsch emphasized that church researchers were easily able to document.

“What Armstrong’s interest is in these stolen materials has yet to become totally clear,” Jentsch said. “We are confident, however, that in the final analysis, when discovery has been completed, the facts will show that Armstrong has affiliated himself with the IRS. It is hard to tell at this point who is using whom, but clearly they deserve each other.”

Jentsch provided a package of completed biographical research about Hubbard’s life to those attending the press conference, comparing Armstrong’s “specious” interpretation of

isolated documents with what he claimed was the true story, as revealed in the completed research materials.

“Armstrong was incapable of even the simplest biographical research,” Jentsch said. “Yet he presented his twisted, malicious interpretation in a court of law as though it were the truth.

“Even in court, when Armstrong’s claims about Mr. Hubbard’s life were documented as false,” Jentsch continued, “he admitted that he merely ‘went through some books ... but that was it ... I stand corrected.’”

The biographical documents released to public view are only part of the thousands of pages of records that comprise the personal archives of Hubbard, according to Jentsch. “Mr. Hubbard’s extensive personal records are the raw materials from which a biography of monumental scope will one day be written,” Jentsch said.

“Here at the L. Ron Hubbard Gallery,” he added, “one sees only a small portion of the results of the humanitarian works of Mr. Hubbard and a mere fraction of the many recognitions which continue to pour in from around the world.

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