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WASHINGTON (AP) -- NEWLY RELEASED DOCUMENTS SAY CHURCH OF
 SCIENTOLOGY LEADERS STOLE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE RECORDS ON SINGER
 FRANK SINATRA AND LOS ANGELES MAYOR TOM BRADLEY.

CHURCH MEMOS IN THE DOCUMENTS REVEAL INFORMATION WAS STOLEN ON
 BRADLEY, SINATRA AND OTHER WELL KNOWN FIGURES "TO SHOW IRS
 COLLECTION OF NON-TAX RELATED DATA ON FAMOUS PEOPLE."

THE CHURCH CLAIMS THE IRS AND OTHER AGENCIES HAVE CARRIED ON A
 VENDETTA AGAINST IT OVER THE YEARS.

THE ACTUAL RECORDS ON SINATRA AND BRADLEY WERE NOT AMONG THE SIX
 CARTONS OF DOCUMENTS RELEASED THURSDAY BY U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE CHARLES
 R. RICHEY. THE DOCUMENTS WERE SEIZED IN 1977 DURING FBI RAIDS OF THE
 CHURCH'S LOS ANGELES OFFICES.

LAST FRIDAY, RICHEY CONVICTED EIGHT CHURCH LEADERS OF CONSPIRING
 TO STEAL GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS ABOUT THE CHURCH. A NINTH MEMBER WAS
 CONVICTED OF A MISDEMEANOR THEFT COUNT. 62-117658-A

JUST BEFORE THE VERDICT, RICHEY RELEASED DOCUMENTS USED IN THE
 GOVERNMENT IN THE CRIMINAL CASE. THURSDAY, HE BEGAN MAKING PUBLIC
 REMAINING DOCUMENTS SEIZED IN THE RAID.

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THE NEWLY RELEASED CHURCH DOCUMENTS SAID SCIENTOLOGISTS HAD A "DOOM PROGRAM" TO DISCREDIT THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION. OTHER CHURCH RECORDS SAID LEADERS MET WITH SEN. EDWARD KENNEDY, D-MASS., AND TRIED TO START A SMEAR CAMPAIGN AGAINST SEN. DENNIS DECONCINI, D-ARIZ.

ONE DOCUMENT, DATED MAY 16, 1977, SAID "3 AGENTS GOT PLACED IN 2 AMA OFFICES."

"IT FELL APART IN OCT. '75 WHEN THE D.C. (DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA) MISSIONAIRE (A CHURCH OFFICIAL) LEAKED DATA TO THE PRESS WHICH IDENTIFIED ONE OF THE AGENTS. THE AMA CALLED IN A FIRM OF INVESTIGATORS WHO BLEW THE CHICAGO AGENT ... AND THEN TRACED A CONNECTION TO THE D.C. AGENTS."

MEDICAL ORGANIZATIONS HAVE CRITICIZED THE CHURCH'S COUNSELING PROGRAM.

THREE CHURCH MEMBERS CLAIMED IN A DOCUMENT THAT THEY SPOKE IN 1975 WITH KENNEDY, WHO AGREED WITH THEIR GOAL OF ABOLISHING INTERPOL, AN INTERNATIONAL POLICE ORGANIZATION.

KENNEDY'S PRESS SECRETARY, TOM SOUTHWICK, SAID HE COULD NOT CONFIRM THE MEETING NOR THE VIEWS ATTRIBUTED TO THE SENATOR.

DOCUMENTS DATED 1977 SAID THE CHURCH WANTED TO "GET A RUMOR CAMPAIGN GOING ON DECONCINI." AFTER THE DOCUMENTS WERE READ TO HIM THURSDAY NIGHT, DECONCINI SAID THE CHURCH COULD HAVE BEEN REACTING TO HIS SUPPORT OF "DEPROGRAMMING" -- AN EFFORT TO CONVINCING MEMBERS OF RELIGIOUS CULTS TO QUIT THE GROUPS.

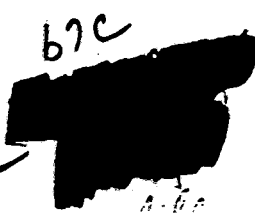
THE REV. KENNETH WHITMAN, THE CHURCH'S PRESIDENT, ISSUED A STATEMENT SAYING THE RELEASE OF THE DOCUMENTS "WILL TELL NOTHING ABOUT THE ACTUAL WORKINGS" OF THE CHURCH.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) - PROSECUTION DOCUMENTS DETAIL EVIDENCE THAT THE CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY CARRIED OUT A BIZARRE PLOT TO INFILTRATE THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE AND OTHER AGENCIES TO STEAL THOUSANDS OF GOVERNMENT FILES.

NINE LEADING SCIENTOLOGISTS ACCUSED IN THE PLOT WERE TO APPEAR TODAY BEFORE U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE CHARLES RICHEY - WHO RELEASED THE EVIDENCE YESTERDAY AND NOW MUST DECIDE WHETHER TO CONVICT THE CHURCH MEMBERS ON ONE CRIMINAL COUNT EACH.

AS PART OF AN UNUSUAL PLEA-BARGAINING AGREEMENT, CHURCH LAWYERS PROMISED RICHEY THEY WOULD AGREE FORMALLY TO THE ACCURACY OF THE MASSIVE, STIPULATED EVIDENCE AT THE HEARING TODAY AND LEAVE THE VERDICT TO HIM, COURT SOURCES SAID.

IN RETURN, THE GOVERNMENT AGREED TO ALLOW THE DEFENDANTS TO BE FOUND GUILTY OF ONE COUNT, DROPPING OTHER ARGEAGAINST THEM IN A 28-COUNT INDICTMENT.

AMONG THE DEFENDANTS IS MARY SUE HUBBARD, WIFE OF CHURCH FOUNDER L. RON HUBBARD, ONCE A SCIENCE-FICTION WRITER WHO NOW CLAIMS 5 MILLION RELIGIOUS FOLLOWERS.

MOST DOCUMENTS SEIZED IN THE RAIDS WERE KEPT SEALED UNTIL RICHEY PERMITTED THEIR RELEASE YESTERDAY. THE CHURCH STILL PLANS TO APPEAL THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE RAIDS.

ELEVEN CHURCH MEMBERS WERE NAMED IN THE INDICTMENT LAST YEAR. TWO ARE STILL IN ENGLAND AWAITING EXTRADITION.

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Are there documents or data on the technical/electrical aspects of the "E-meter"?

Our country has very strict laws on electrical appliances, and we might succeed in getting the instruments banned for this reason, thus saving the tedious labor that we will otherwise be obliged to go through.

Is the E-meter re-charged by using a transformer, or is it plugged directly to the socket?

The meter in mention is the standard one, the one in a wooden encasing.

Where can information on such be gotten hold of in case you are unable to answer?

Have you lately had reports, or has there been cases of selling vitamin-preparates by the Scientologists? They are selling unlabelled vitaminpills in Norway. Pills of unknown origin.

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Your May 2nd letter has been received, and I can understand the concern which prompted you to write.

We will be happy to provide whatever assistance we can to your local law enforcement authorities if an official request is received from them.

We have no information of a preprinted nature available for public dissemination regarding the Church of Scientology. However, under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (Title 5, United States Code, Section 552), requests have been made in the past regarding this topic and there may be documents available to you under Title 26, Code of Federal Regulations.

If you are interested in seeking such documents under the FOIA, you should make a separate inquiry, clearly marking the envelope and letter as a Freedom of Information Act request, and direct it to the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, 9th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20535. In the letter you must request documents regarding the specific topic of interest to you. For your information, there is a charge of ten cents a page for all releases over 250 pages.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

Roger S. Young
Inspector in Charge
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Room 6958. This correspondence response may engender a future FOIA inquiry.

1 - Mr. Young - Enclosure
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WASHINGTON (AP) -- THE SUPREME COURT TODAY REBUFFED THE CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY'S ATTEMPT TO RECOVER DOCUMENTS SEIZED BY THE FBI IN A 1977 RAID ON CHURCH OFFICES IN LOS ANGELES.

WITHOUT COMMENT, THE JUSTICES LEFT INTACT A RULING THAT THE CHURCH HAS NO LEGAL RIGHT TO RECOVER THE DOCUMENTS WHILE CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS ARE PENDING AGAINST SOME CHURCH MEMBERS.

ABOUT 150 FBI AGENTS, ARMED WITH SEARCH WARRANTS AND CROW BARS, SEIZED THOUSANDS OF DOCUMENTS FROM THE CHURCH'S LOS ANGELES OFFICES EARLY IN THE MORNING OF JULY 8, 1977.

A SIMULTANEOUS FBI RAID AND SEARCH WAS CONDUCTED AT THE FOUNDING CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY OFFICE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

DAYS LATER, THE CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY ASKED A FEDERAL JUDGE TO FORCE THE FBI TO RETURN THE DOCUMENTS SEIZED IN LOS ANGELES. THE REQUEST SAID THE SEIZURES WERE BASED ON UNCONSTITUTIONAL SEARCH WARRANTS.

THE REQUEST ULTIMATELY WAS REJECTED, AND THE CHURCH APPEALED TO THE 9TH U.S. CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS. WHILE THAT APPEAL WAS PENDING, A FEDERAL GRAND JURY HERE INDICTED 11 CHURCH EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS ON CHARGES OF CONSPIRACY, OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE AND THEFT OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.

MANY OF THE DOCUMENTS SEIZED IN THE LOS ANGELES RAID WERE PRESENTED TO THE GRAND JURY. PROSECUTORS SAID THEY WOULD PROVE THAT THE SCIENTOLOGISTS PLANTED SPIES IN THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AND INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE AND STOLE FEDERAL DOCUMENTS.

THE CIRCUIT COURT RULED THAT THE TRIAL JUDGE'S ORDER BLOCKING THE DOCUMENTS' RETURN COULD NOT BE APPEALED WHILE THE CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS WERE PENDING.

NINE OF THE 11 SCIENTOLOGIST DEFENDANTS WERE CONVICTED ON VARIOUS CHARGES LAST OCT. 26 AFTER A TRIAL IN WASHINGTON. THE TWO REMAINING DEFENDANTS RECENTLY WERE ORDERED EXTRADITED FROM BRITAIN TO STAND TRIAL.

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