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RE LA TEL TO BUREAU AND WFO OCTOBER 27, 1978.

AUSA BANOUN, WASHINGTON, D. C. (WDC), ADVISED NOVEMBER 1, 1978, HE DOES NOT HAVE A SIGNED COPY OF THE MISSING SEARCH WARRANTS, A COPY OF THE GOVERNMENT'S SUBMISSION OF POINTS AND AUTHORITY FILED ON JULY 15, 1977, OR A COPY OF THE COURT'S ORDER ON JULY 15, 1977 SEALING THE RETURNS. AUSA BANOUN BELIEVED COPIES OF THE LAST TWO DOCUMENTS ARE LOCATED ELSEWHERE IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT IN LOS ANGELES.

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-SCIENTOLOGISTS
BY JAMES H. RUBIN

WASHINGTON (AP) -- NINE MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY PLEADED INNOCENT TODAY TO CHARGES THAT INCLUDE STEALING GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS AND PLANTING EAVESDROPPING DEVICES IN GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE GEORGE L. HART JR., SAID THE CASE DOES NOT REVOLVE AROUND THE ISSUE OF FREEDOM OF RELIGION, AS OFFICIALS OF THE CHURCH CONTEND.

''THE CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY IS NOT ON TRIAL HERE.'' HARD SAID AT THE ARRAIGNMENT. ''THERE WILL BE NO REFERENCE TO RELIGION. IT HAS OTHING TO DO WITH IT. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT STEALING (DOCUMENTS). THAT'S A SIMPLE CHARGE. IT'S LIKE THEY WENT INTO A BANK AND TOOK MONEY.''

A 42-PAGE INDICTMENT ANNOUNCED TWO WEEKS AGO ACCUSED 11 LEADERS AND MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH OF BREAKING INTO GOVERNMENT OFFICES, STEALING CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS, PLANTING BUGGING DEVICES AND IN SEPARATE BUT RELATED CHARGES OF OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE AND LYING TO GRAND JURY. THE MOST SERIOUS CHARGES CARRY MAXIMUM PENALTIES OF FIVE YEARS IN PRISON AND $10,000 FINES.

THE NINE DEFENDANTS ARRAIGNED TODAY WERE MARY SUE HUBBARD, THE WIFE OF THE CHURCH'S FOUNDER, AND EIGHT CHURCH MEMBERS FROM CALIFORNIA. THE GOVERNMENT IS TRYING TO EXTRADITE FROM ENGLAND TWO OTHER DEFENDANTS IN THE CASE.

HART GRANTED THE DEFENSE UNTIL NOV. 20 TO FILE PRETRIAL MOTIONS. LAWYERS FOR THE DEFENDANTS HAD SAID THEY NEED EXTRA TIME TO PREPARE FOR WHAT THEY SAID WAS AN EXTREMELY COMPLEX CASE INVOLVING THOUSANDS OF DOCUMENTS SEIZED BY THE FBI IN RAIDS LAST YEAR ON CHURCH FACILITIES IN LOS ANGELES AND WASHINGTON.

LEONARD BOUDIN, WHO IS REPRESENTING MRS. HUBBARD, ASKED THAT HART BE TAKEN OFF THE CASE AND REPLACED BY JUDGE WILLIAM B. BRYANT, WHO HAS BEEN PRESIDING OVER A CIVIL SUIT INVOLVING THE CHURCH.

HART GAVE NO INDICATION HE INTENDED TO REMOVE HIMSELF.

BOUDIN SAID THE CHURCH INTENDS TO BASE ITS DEFENSE IN PART ON CHARGES THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN CONDUCTING A CAMPAIGN OF HARASSMENT AGAINST THE SCIENTOLOGISTS FOR NEARLY 30 YEARS.

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MARY SUE HUBBARD; JANE KEMBER - FUGITIVE; MORRIS BUDLONG - FUGITIVE; ET AL; SITOL, (OFFICE OF ORIGIN: WASHINGTON FIELD)

ON NOVEMBER 17, 1978, ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY (AUSA) RAYMOND BANOUN, WASHINGTON, D. C. (WDC), ADVISED WASHINGTON FIELD THAT FUGITIVES KEMBER AND BUDLONG HAD BEEN APPREHENDED IN ENGLAND. (U)

AUSA BANOUN FURTHER ADVISED THAT DEADLINE FOR MOTIONS TO BE SUBMITTED BY DEFENSE IN THIS MATTER ON NOVEMBER 20, 1978, HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL 20 DAYS AFTER CLARIFICATION OF ORDER ISSUED OCTOBER 30, 1978, BY THE APPELLATE COURT IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. ORDER ISSUED BY APPELLATE COURT MADE DOCUMENTS SEIZED IN SEARCHES OF JULY 8, 1977, UNAVAILABLE TO ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.

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