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July 14, 1977

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

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This is the case involving leaders and members of the Church of Scientology. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Search warrants were executed on the Church of Scientology's properties in Washington, D. C., and in the Los Angeles, California, area on 7/8/77.

It was recommended and approved this case be designated as a Bureau special on a need-to-know basis and assigned the code name "SITOL."

Attached is a copy of the return on the items seized by a Federal search warrant executed by Special Agents of the WFO. The identification of a number of these documents as listed have appeared in the newspaper. A copy of the attached is being furnished to the Assistant Director, Intelligence Division, Legal Counsel, and the Press Officer at FBIHQ.

AS THIS CASE INVOLVES SENSITIVE INFORMATION, IT IS ON A NEED-TO-KNOW BASIS.

- 1 - Mr. Adams (no enclosure)
- 1 - Mr. Boynton (enclosure)
- 1 - Mr. Leavitt (enclosure)
- 1 - Mr. Mintz (enclosure)

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August 2, 1977

OUTSIDE SOURCE

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Office Memorandum

Dear [REDACTED]

Your communication to President Carter was referred to the FBI for acknowledgment and was received on July 26th.

I readily understand the concern you expressed in your mailgram if you based it upon the belief that the FBI arbitrarily conducted a raid on a religious institution without due cause. Let me assure you that this was not the case.

Pursuant to duly authorized Federal search warrants, Special Agents of the FBI searched the premises of the Church of Scientology in Washington, D. C., and the Los Angeles area in July, 1977. As publicly announced to the press, the search warrants were issued for the purpose of recovering stolen Government property. Our investigation of alleged violations of criminal statutes is continuing. Litigation is presently pending in Federal courts concerning this matter and, in view of this, I am unable to comment further.

Sincerely yours,

C M Kelley

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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SITOL - DISSEMINATION OF CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS OUTSIDE EXECUTIVE
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REBUCALS TO LOS ANGELES AUGUST 3, 1977, RE CAPTIONED
MATTER.

THIS WILL CONFIRM RECALLS. FBI LOS ANGELES ADVISED
AUGUST 3, 1977, THAT DEFENSE ATTORNEY ALLEN STRELLER ADVISED
U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE MALCOLM M. LUCAS, U.S. DISTRICT COURT,
LOS ANGELES, THAT DEFENSE NEEDED TO REVIEW DOCUMENTS (COPIES
OF WHICH HAD NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY TURNED OVER TO DEFENSE)
INCLUDING CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS SO THAT THE DEFENSE COULD ARGUE
RULE 4) E, MOTION 8877, RE SUPPRESSION OF EVIDENCE OBTAINED BY
SEARCH WARRANTS ON JULY 8 AND 9, 1977, IN LOS ANGELES.

LOS ANGELES ADVISED USDJ LUCAS HAD ISSUED AN ORDER AUTHORIZING
1 - Washington Field (For information)

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NOTE: This pertains to classified documents seized
by SAs during the execution of search warrants on the
property of the Church of Scientology, Los Angeles,
on 7/8-9/77. This matter was coordinated on an
expeditious basis by SA [redacted] with SA [redacted]

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THE DEFENSE TO REVIEW THESE SENSITIVE AND CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS
ON AUGUST 3, 1977 SA [REDACTED] FBI
INSPECTED [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, CLASSIFIED
DOCUMENTS COULD NOT BE REVIEWED BY DEFENSE ATTORNEY WITHOUT
AUTHORITY FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE
ORDER 11652 DATED MARCH 8, 1972, WHICH SETS FORTH SPECIFIC
REGULATIONS FOR THE PROTECTION OF NATIONAL SECURITY INFOR-
MATION AND MATERIAL. TITLE 28 - JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION,
CHAPTER 1, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, (ORDER 489-72) IMPLEMENTS
EXECUTIVE ORDER 11652. "SECTION 17.64, DISSEMINATION OUTSIDE
THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH: CLASSIFIED INFORMATION OR MATERIAL
SHALL NOT BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH EXCEPT
UNDER CONDITIONS AND THROUGH CHANNELS AUTHORIZED HERETOFORE
BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND ASSURING ITS PROPER
PROTECTION."

ON AUGUST 3, 1977 SA [REDACTED] CONTACTED DEPUTY ASSISTANT
ATTORNEY GENERAL JOHN C. KENNY, CRIMINAL DIVISION, DOJ, TO
ADVISE HIM ON AN EXPEDITIOUS BASIS OF THE COURT ORDER.
MR. KENNY ADVISED NO CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS WERE TO BE TURNED

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OVER TO DEFENSE ATTORNEYS FOR REVIEW AT THIS TIME.

REPRESENTATIVES OF ORIGINATING GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WERE TO EXPEDITIOUSLY REVIEW CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS AND MAKE A DETERMINATION OF THEIR SENSITIVITY. THE USA IN LOS ANGELES WAS TO REQUEST USDI LUCAS FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO COMPLY WITH HIS ORDER. IN THE INTERIM, DEFENSE ATTORNEYS COULD REVIEW DOCUMENTS OTHER THAN THOSE WHICH ARE CLASSIFIED. MR. KENNEY STATED UPON A DETERMINATION OF THE SENSITIVITY OF THE CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS, CONSIDERATION WOULD THEN BE GIVEN TO REFERRING THIS MATTER TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL. MR. KENNEY TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED WDC AUSA HANK SHUELKE AND INFORMED HIM OF SUPRA INSTRUCTIONS.

ACCORDING TO SUPERVISOR SA [REDACTED] AUSA SHUELKE WOULD TAKE THIS MATTER UP WITH AUSA RICHARD STILL, LA USA'S OFFICE.

LOS ANGELES WAS INSTRUCTED NO CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS COULD BE REVIEWED BY DEFENSE ATTORNEYS PRIOR TO APPROVAL FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

*This Teletype was read and approved
by DAG John C. Kenney on 8/9/77*

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