



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. NF 100-6641

Norfolk, Virginia

March 14, 1968

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RE: SCIENTOLOGY;

On February 20, 1968, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] contacted the Newport News Resident Agency of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and advised that he had received information from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] concerning captioned organization. Arnold stated that [REDACTED] reported contacts by several members of this group, and the individual contacting him appeared more interested in his duties at the [REDACTED]

Arnold advised that he referred the information received by him from [REDACTED] in view of the fact that Musser felt the representatives of the group known as Scientology who had approached him were interested more in his employment than in himself personally. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] appeared at the Newport News Resident Agency of the FBI. He advised that he resides [REDACTED]

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RE: SCIENTOLOGY;

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ET AL

curious and plans to travel to Washington, D. C., for an interview with the group February 24, 1968, after they have continuously contacted him offering him a position with the group. He stated he does not intend to accept the position but will go only out of curiosity. Musser described most of the members of the group whom he has met to date as "crackpots."

Scientology, which has not been the subject of investigation by the FBI, was founded by Lafayette Ron Hubbard, who created it for the purposes of furthering his theory of "Scientology," an alleged science which instills self-confidence and assists individuals in removing mental problems.

The April 24, 1951, issue of the "Washington Times Herald" carried an article indicating that Hubbard's wife, in suing him for divorce, had claimed that he was "hopelessly insane." According to this article, "competent medical advisers recommended that Hubbard be committed to a private sanatorium for psychiatric observation and treatment of a mental ailment known as 'paranoid schizophrenia.'"

In January, 1963, the Food and Drug Administration directed a raid against the Academy of Scientology, Washington, D. C., in which machines used by the Academy in the practice of Scientology were seized. It was alleged that these machines, known as "Hubbard Electrometers," were falsely advertised as being effective in treating various types of illnesses.

[REDACTED]

RE: SCIENTOLOGY.

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ET AL

[REDACTED]

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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April 2, 1968

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

Is it possible for you to give me information on the following?:

Scientology
1812 19th Street, N.W.
Washington 9, D.C.
Adams 2-6296

Scientology is the study of life
increases potential ability,
mental and spiritual

Personal Efficiency Foundation
Hubbard Guidance Center
Academy of Scientology
The Founding Church of Scientology

) USA

The above was on a card given out by people at this address and in going to this address, they would not give out any information at all. In fact, when they are asked questions, they hush up, so to speak.

As young people further their education, their parents talk with my husband, since he is a minister and pastor, and they want to know where their children can get the best training in the category of their interest.

Families and different individuals have tried in vain to find out in detail as to what type of training is being given to a person taking "SCIENTOLOGY". There are so many indications that this is a cover-up for something that is undesirable. There should not be any secret as to their course they offer. If it is on the up and up, we should know what it contributes to a better life.

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[Handwritten initials]

My husband and I cannot find any "one" individual who can get information as to the type of training a student receives and the purpose in the course. I do know they have a representative to make personal contact, then the student goes there, and then goes to England EX-115

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I do hope and trust you can find out the truth, because it may save other young people from being misguided.

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Thank you.

Sincerely, [REDACTED]

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CORRESPONDENCE

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April 9, 1968

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Dear [REDACTED]

Your letter of April 2nd has been received.

In response to your inquiry, information in our files must be maintained as confidential pursuant to regulations of the Department of Justice. I hope you will not infer either that we do or do not have material in our files relating to the organization you mentioned.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Bufiles contain no record of correspondent. Lafayette Ron Hubbard, the founder of the Founding Church of Scientology has been known to the Bureau since 1951. Neither Hubbard nor the organization headed by him has been investigated by the Bureau. He has been described as "hopelessly insane" by his wife in connection with divorce proceedings. His theory of "Scientology" is an alleged science which instills self-confidence and assist in removing mental problems. In August, 1966, the Department requested information concerning the Founding Church of Scientology, inasmuch as the Tax Division is involved in litigation as to whether or not the alleged Church of Scientology is exempt from Federal income taxation as a religious organization. Pertinent information contained in Bufiles has been provided to the Department. This organization has also been investigated by the Food and Drug Administration, Internal Revenue Service and the Army.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : SAC, HONOLULU (100-6536)

SUBJECT: CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY
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*By cut
B.A. Wells*

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Attached is a Photostat of a memorandum concerning above-captioned organization, received from

[REDACTED]

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There are no pertinent references indices of the Honolulu Division concerning the individuals mentioned therein.

Copies of the memorandum have been furnished OSI, NISO, and 710th MID.

UACB, no further investigation being conducted by Honolulu.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-94080)

FROM : SAC, NORFOLK (100-6641) (C)

SUBJECT: SCIENTOLOGY;

DATE: 4/23/68

Bureau

[REDACTED]

IS - MISC.

Re Norfolk airtel to Bureau, 3/14/68.

Attached for the Bureau are the original and one Xero copy of correspondence directed to the Newport News Resident Agency from captioned individual [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] felt that since the FBI had originally been consulted in the matter that copies might appropriately be directed to them. [REDACTED] had commented that they desired a follow-up [REDACTED] letter to them apparently satisfied these desires.

No further investigation is being conducted by Norfolk, and this is being submitted for the Bureau's information.

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Dear Sirs;

Would you please send me any information which you may have concerning The Church of Scientology, their use of the E - Meter, or L. Ron Hubbard the founder of the church.

I would be glad to pay for any expences or handling.

[Redacted signature]

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Yours Truly

[Redacted name]

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Ninth St and Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C.

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[Redacted]

J.P.

Dear [Redacted]

In response to your letter of May 20th, this Bureau is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and, as such, neither makes evaluations nor draws conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. I hope you will not infer either that we do or do not have material in our files relating to the matters you mentioned.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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MAY 24 1968
COMM-FBI

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NOTE: Bufiles contain no information identifiable with correspondent. The Church of Scientology has not been investigated by the Bureau. Scientology is the alleged science which instills self-confidence and assists individuals in removing mental problems. The group was founded by L. Ron Hubbard who now resides in England. In 1962 Food and Drug Administration officials raided the Washington, D. C., Headquarters of the Academy of Scientology in connection with alleged misrepresentations regarding "E-Meter" devices used by Hubbard's organization.

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