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Mr. Clarence M. Kelley, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Constitution Avenue & 10th St., NW
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Mr. Kelley,

We are gathering data on the Church of Scientology with a view toward a possible article.

Last week we were told that the FBI, Scotland Yard, the West German police, and Interpol have accused the organization of drug trafficking. Is that correct?

We have not seen any stories on the case in the press and would appreciate learning as much as possible about it.

Thank you for any help you or the bureau can give us in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

[Redacted signature]

[Redacted address]

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Dear Mr. [Redacted]

Your letter of September 3, 1974, enclosing a copy of the October, 1974, issue of your publication containing the article by William Hoffer has been received, and it was thoughtful of you to make this available to me. I deeply appreciate Mr. Hoffer's favorable observations about my administration of the FBI.

Since this Bureau is involved in civil litigation with the organization to which you refer, I am not in a position to comment in the manner requested by you.

Sincerely yours,

C. H. MOSE
Clarence H. Moley
Director

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- 1 - Mr. [Redacted] (attached)
- 1 - Mr. [Redacted] (attached)
- 1 - Mr. [Redacted] (attached)

LETTER SENT TO DIRECTOR BY MR. [Redacted] 9/12/74
RE: [Redacted] 10/10/74

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TO: Mr. McDonnott

DATE: 9/10/74

FROM: Mr. Hintz

SUBJECT: SAGA MAGAZINE
ARTICLE ON MR. KELLEY
IN 10/74 ISSUE

- Mr. Tolson
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Reference is made to letter from [redacted] of "Saga" enclosing the October, 1974, issue containing an article on Mr. Kelley by William Hoffer. The article is favorable to Mr. Kelley's leadership of the FBI and mentions his emphasis on the new openness within the Bureau. [redacted] also indicates in his letter that they are gathering data on the Church of Scientology for a possible article and asks if the Bureau can give any help. He mentions that the FBI, among other law enforcement agencies, has reportedly accused the Church of drug trafficking and asks if this is true.

Mr. Kelley has requested that a letter of appreciation be sent [redacted] and that help be given [redacted] in connection with his request if there is public source data.

"SAGA" MAGAZINE:

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In 6/74 Hoffer telephonically contacted the External Affairs Division, indicating he was doing a feature on Mr. Kelley for "Saga." He asked to interview Mr. Kelley and to be furnished previous articles published about the Director. Since it was not felt that "Saga" was an appropriate vehicle for a personality-type article about the Director it was recommended that Mr. Kelley decline to be interviewed by Hoffer; Mr. Kelley agreed that no interview be given. The External Affairs Division so advised Hoffer; he indicated he intended to prepare the article anyway and at his specific request we furnished him relevant data and a photograph of Mr. Kelley.

[redacted] is not identifiable in Bufiles [redacted] data available.

Enclosure

- 1 - Mr. McDonnott - Enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Hintz - Enclosure
- 1 - Mr. Farrington - Enclosure

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Heim to McDermott Memorandum
RE: "SACA MAGAZINE, ARTICLE ON MR. KELLEY IN 10/74 ISSUE"

CHURCH OF THE SCIENTOLOGY:

This group, along with its founder, Lafayette Ron Hubbard has been known to the Bureau since 1951. Hubbard's theory of "scientology" is that it is an alleged science which instills self-confidence for assistance in removing mental problems. Hubbard has been described as "hopelessly insane" by his wife in connection with divorce proceedings. Neither Hubbard nor his group has been investigated by the Bureau; however, we have received many complaints from citizens alleging that it is a fraudulent money-making scheme, as well as information about this group from other agencies, both foreign and domestic. In 1972 we received information from the State Department that there had been rumors that a boat controlled by the group had been involved in drug traffic; however, nothing was found to substantiate this report. The Church of Scientology has initiated suit against the FBI for information in our files concerning that organization and its affiliates under the Freedom of Information Act, as well as a suit alleging that an illegal wiretap was placed on one of its phones by the FBI. Both suits are presently pending. The suit against the Bureau for alleged wiretapping has been in the press.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter of appreciation be sent [redacted] and that he be told that since the Bureau is involved in civil litigation with the organization to which he refers, we are not in position to comment. Reply coordinated with Legal Counsel Division.

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December 21, 1974

AIRMAIL

2 - Mr. Mintz

Mr. C. B. B. Parselle
The Church of Scientology
Saint Hill Manor, East Grinstead
Sussex, England RH19 4JY

Dear Mr. Parselle:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter on
December 5th.

I am sorry it was necessary for you to write again
since I felt my prior correspondence to you responded to the
inquiries you raised. Please be assured that agencies to
which we disseminate information are also advised as to whether
that data has been accumulated as the result of an investiga-
tion conducted by this Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

C. M. Kelley
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

- 1 - The Deputy Attorney General - Enclosure
- 1 - Bufile 62-115530 (FOI-REPLIES)

NOTE: We had felt that prior correspondence with Mr. Parselle
was sufficiently responsive to his subsequent letters of
6-25-74 and 8-2-74 and therefore, in Legal Counsel to Mr. J. B.
Adams memorandum of 8-23-74 it was recommended and approved
that those two letters from Mr. Parselle not be acknowledged.
Current reply is in an effort to attempt to set the record
straight with correspondent.

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THE CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY
The Hubbard Scientology Organisation

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Mr. Clarence M. Kelley
Director
United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington DC 20535
U.S.A.

26 November 1974

Dear Mr. Kelley,

I do not appear to have had any reply to my letters of 25th June and 2nd August.

It occurs to me that there may be some reluctance to reply owing to the fact that there is now litigation between us.

If so, please treat this letter as an undertaking and guarantee that your reply will not be used in that litigation.

Thank you for your courtesy and co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

C.P.B. Parselle
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CORRESPONDENCE



Church of Scientology of California

A NON PROFIT CORPORATION IN U.S.A. INCORPORATED IN ENGLAND
R. D. TORRES IS PRESIDENT OF CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY OF CALIFORNIA. PRESIDENT R. D. TORRES IS SECRETARY OF CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY OF CALIFORNIA.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/6/74

FROM: [REDACTED]

(P)

SUBJECT: SCIENTOLOGY
[REDACTED]

Enclosed herewith is a pamphlet titled "Church of Scientology" Evidence on Religious bona Fides and Status of the Church of Scientology".

ReBucab dated 8/13/74 RLW/ly

The above enclosed book was forwarded via U.S. mail to [REDACTED] The address indicated on the envelope was [REDACTED] The above address is the former address of [REDACTED] The envelope bore a return address Ministry of Public Relations, United States Church of Scientology of California, 5930 Franklin Avenue, Los Angeles, California, 90028.

The enclosed pamphlet contains a notation "Printed for the use of United States Government Agencies and Diplomatic Services, Department of Archives, U.S. Ministry of Public Relations".

[REDACTED] requested that the enclosed publication be brought to the Bureau's attention inasmuch as it would appear that all U.S. diplomatic missions will receive a copy of the publication.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

Bureau is requested to advise with reference to any additional information available through the San Francisco or Los Angeles Offices which can be made available to the embassy at [REDACTED]

- (7) - Bureau (Enc. (1))
- (1) - Foreign Liaison [REDACTED]
- (2) - San Francisco
- (2) - Los Angeles

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January 6, 1975

[REDACTED]

Dear Miss [REDACTED]

Your letter of December 29th, with enclosure, has been received.

With respect to your request, 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 regret it is not possible to be of assistance to you.

Sincerely yours,

C. M. Kelley

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. The stamped, self-addressed envelope she enclosed is being utilized. L. Ron Hubbard and the Church of Scientology are both well known to the Bureau. Hubbard has in the past been described by his wife as being "hopelessly insane."

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December 29, 1974

Office of Public Information
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Washington, DC

Gentlemen:

I am working on a research paper on the Church of Scientology and its founder, L. Ron Hubbard.

From my preliminary researches (articles in the popular press, and a brief brush with the "Church" itself), I gather this is the sort of organization that the FBI may at one time or another have investigated.

If you have, and if there is any information available to the public, I would appreciate any literature you could send me. A stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

[REDACTED SIGNATURE]

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CORRESPONDENCE

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/17/75

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (163-1053) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SCIENTOLOGY
[REDACTED]

Re Bureau letter to San Francisco, dated 12/19/74, San Francisco nitel to Bureau, dated 8/13/74, and Bureau nitel to San Francisco, dated 8/2/74.

In referenced San Francisco nitel to Bureau, dated 8/13/74, San Francisco provided all information available on captioned organization.

No LHM follows UACB.

FBIHQ is requested to forward the above to [REDACTED]

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