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PART I

OBTAINMENT OF SEARCH WARRANTS

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1Date of transcription 7/20/77

Affidavits in support of a request for Federal Search Warrants for the structure located at 5930 West Franklin Avenue, Hollywood, California and the building commonly referred to as the Cedars-Sinai complex located at 4833 Fountain Avenue, Hollywood, California were sworn to by me on July 7, 1977, before U.S. Magistrate JAMES J. PENNE. After this declaration, Magistrate PENNE issued search warrants for the above structures.

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PART II

FIFIELD MANOR SEARCH

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The following is a log for the search of the premises located at 5930 West Franklin Avenue, Hollywood, California. This search was made pursuant to a search warrant issued by United States Magistrate JAMES J. PENNE, Central District of California, Los Angeles, on July 7, 1977. This search warrant bears the number 77-1029 M and was executed on July 8, 1977.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>
July 8, 1977	6:01 AM	Entry was made into the public entrance of building and contact was made with an individual receptionist located at the front information desk.
July 8, 1977	6:02 AM	Arrival on the sixth floor via service elevator, knock, and announce the identity of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) agents and the fact that a federal search warrant for the search of the premises had been issued.
July 8, 1977	6:03 AM	Padlock of the sixth floor service elevator exit snapped and agents enter sixth floor. Simultaneously agents on the stairway to the sixth floor knock and announce at the stairway door as to their identity and purpose.
July 8, 1977	6:05 AM	Door to the stairway opened by FBI agents who had gained entry via the service elevator. Sixth floor secured.
July 8, 1977	6:06 AM	Forcible entry made into offices of HENNING HELDT.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>
July 8, 1977	6:09 AM	Entry into inner offices of HENNING HELDT and opening of various locks of file cabinets in the outer offices and inner offices of HENNING HELDT.
July 8, 1977	6:20 AM	Remaining search team enters sixth floor. Photographs taken of HENNING HELDT's office area.
July 8, 1977	6:35 AM	Individual arrives who identifies himself as public affairs officer for Church of Scientology. Identity and purpose of agents explained. Copies of search warrant given individual, and he requested 15 minutes to obtain keys to the various cabinets and locks in HELDT's offices.
b7c July 8, 1977	6:55 AM	Reverend [REDACTED] of premises arrives. Identity and purpose of agents explained. Reverend [REDACTED] given copy of search warrant, asked if he wished to observe search, but did not respond.
July 8, 1977	7:05 AM	Search of HENNING HELDT's offices begins.
July 8, 1977	7:20 AM	ART MAREN, another representative of Church of Scientology arrives with church photographer and given permission to take photographs of search scene.
July 8, 1977	7:35 AM	ART MAREN and KEN WHITMAN, representatives of Church of Scientology, present during search of HELDT's offices as observers. Another unidentified

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>
Continued		representative, Church of Scientology, also present as an observer.
July 8, 1977	8:20 AM	[redacted] attorney for Church of Scientology, arrives at the sixth floor. [redacted] given a copy of search warrant and advised of the identity and purpose of the agents. [redacted] made several appearances at the search scene during remainder of the morning.
July 8, 1977	1:00 PM	Entry into a penthouse office located on the rooftop next to HENNING HELDT's office was made with the assistance of one [redacted]
July 8, 1977	1:30 PM	Empty file folders brought into search scene in order to transport documents which may be seized pursuant to search warrant. [redacted] and another unidentified member of the Church of Scientology were present when each box of folders and each individual folder was opened in their presence in order to demonstrate that the folders were empty.
July 8, 1977	2:17 PM	Additional attorneys for Church of Scientology arrive, are given copies of search warrant, and depart.
July 8, 1977	4:00 PM	DUKE SNIDER's desk was located in the outer offices of HENNING HELDT and was forcibly opened.

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>
July 8, 1977	7:48 PM	Brief search is made of teletype room located adjacent to HENNING HELDT's offices.
July 8, 1977	8:00 PM	Clean up of the search scene in HELDT's suite of offices and photographs taken.
July 8, 1977	8:37 PM	Search of teletype room completed and photographs taken.
July 8, 1977	8:40 PM	Inventory being typed.
b7c July 8, 1977	9:45 PM	Completed inventory given to Reverend [REDACTED] along with copy of search warrant.
July 8, 1977	9:53 PM	Documents seized pursuant to search warrant boxed and removed.
July 8, 1977	9:55 PM	Search team begins to depart sixth floor.
July 8, 1977	10:12 PM	All agents out of premises.

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At 6:01 am on July 8, 1977, pursuant to a search warrant issued on July 7, 1977, by U. S. Magistrate James J. Penne, Los Angeles, California (Docket Number 77-1029M) I led a group of Special Agents of the FBI into the premises known as "Fifield Manor." These premises are located at 5930 West Franklin Avenue, Hollywood, California, and also has an entrance located at 1840 Tamarind Avenue, Hollywood, California. Entrance into the building was made at the 1840 Tamarind Avenue entrance, which was not locked.

b7c | A few moments prior to my entrance into the lobby of the building at 6:01 am, I was preceded by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] who were detailed by me to contact the receptionist who was on duty at the desk in the lobby and to identify themselves and tell them of the purpose of our arrival on the premises. I later found out that this individual was one [redacted]

b7c | Upon entrance into the lobby there was a short delay since we did not know the exact location of the passenger and service elevators as well as the location of the two stairwells that would allow us access to the 6th floor of the building. A further short delay was encountered since it was determined that the passenger elevator that part of the group of Agents was planning to use was out of service. Agents previously assigned to go up the stairwells once they were found were told to proceed to the 6th floor by the stairwells and await admission to the 6th floor by Agents who would be utilizing the service elevator. Agents who had planned to use the passenger elevator were told to go up one of the stairwells. SAs [redacted] and [redacted] and Radio Maintenance Technician [redacted] and myself entered the service elevator and proceeded to the 6th floor. On the way up in the elevator I instructed SA [redacted] that upon arrival on the 6th floor he was to make the announcement concerning our presence, our identity and the reasons for our presence in the building.

At 6:02 am we arrived on the 6th floor and upon opening the gates of the elevator and stepping onto the landing

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we saw that our passageway was immediately blocked by a padlocked iron meshed gate. Upon exiting the elevator SA [REDACTED] at 6:02 am, as timed by my wrist watch, announced our presence and our identity was made known and the reason for our presence on the premises was also made known.

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As timed by my wrist watch I waited one minute and two seconds to see if anyone would admit us onto the floor. During this time requests were repeated for entrance by SA [REDACTED] SA [REDACTED] and myself and when it was apparent that no one was responding to our calls, I advised SA [REDACTED] that he would have to snap the padlock to gain entry since there was no way to climb over the iron meshed gate. I advised SA [REDACTED] to wait for my command before he snapped the lock in order to see if anyone would respond to our request for entry. Since no response came and no one was visible I ordered the lock snapped. Efforts by SA [REDACTED] failed to snap the lock, however, after several attempts with the aid of SA [REDACTED] the padlock was snapped at 6:03 am and entry was made into the hall.

Upon entry upon the 6th floor SA [REDACTED] and myself proceeded up the hallway and the personnel accompanying us on the elevator proceeded up the hallway to determine if there were any other elevators or other entry areas onto the floor available in order for us to secure the premises. SA [REDACTED] and myself proceeded up the hall where we observed a male individual, whom I later determined to be one [REDACTED] come out into the hallway from a room I later found out to be a teletype room. SA [REDACTED] and myself identified ourselves by exhibiting credentials and explained the purpose of the presence of FBI Agents on the premises. Mainly, that they were there to execute a Federal search warrant. [REDACTED] was handed, by SA [REDACTED] a copy of the search warrant.

I asked [REDACTED] why he did not respond to our entry request and he said he could not hear us because he was in the teletype room and could not hear because of the noise of the teletype machines.