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RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, AUGUST 16, 1977.

JUDGE MALCOLM M. LUCAS, DISTRICT JUDGE, LOS ANGELES,

ADVISED ON AUGUST 18, 1977, THAT HE WOULD ACCEPT AN AGREEMENT  
JOINTLY DRAFTED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND ATTORNEYS FOR THE

CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY WHEREBY THE GOVERNMENT AGREED TO 23 SEP 1 1977  
RETURN TO THE CLERK OF THE COURT FOR CUSTODIALSHIP, ALL

DOCUMENTS, NOTES, AND MEMORANDUM OBTAINED AS A RESULT OF SEARCH  
WARRANTS EXECUTED IN CAPTIONED MATTER AT LOS ANGELES ON JULY 8 -

9, 1977. THIS ORDER FURTHER INDICATED THAT NEITHER PARTY

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with Finance & Personnel  
Division Note 8/20/77 Attached*

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WOULD HAVE A RIGHT OF INSPECTION OF THE DOCUMENTS PLACED IN THE CLERK'S CUSTODY. THIS AGREEMENT INCLUDED A DIRECTIVE THAT ALL NOTES TAKEN BY GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WHICH REVIEWED DOCUMENTS FOR SENSITIVITY AND CLASSIFICATION WERE TO BE TURNED OVER TO THE CLERK. ALSO, THOSE COPIES OF DOCUMENTS SEIZED WHICH HAVE BEEN FORWARDED TO U.S. ATTORNEY, WASHINGTON, D.C., FOR REVIEW, FOR ECONOMIC PURPOSES, ARE TO BE RETURNED TO THE CLERK OF THE D.C. FEDERAL COURT FOR RETENTION. THIS AGREEMENT DID NOT ENCOMPASS THE WEAPONS, BURGLARY TOOLS, AND WIRE TAPPING EQUIPMENT CONFISCATED WHICH THE GOVERNMENT CAN RETAIN. JUDGE LUCAS SET A DEADLINE FOR THE TURN OVER OF THESE DOCUMENTS TO THE COURT AS 3 P.M., PACIFIC DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME, AUGUST 30, 1977.

THE GOVERNMENT REQUESTED THAT JUDGE LUCAS EXEMPT FROM COURT TURN OVER THOSE INTERNAL BUREAU COMMUNICATIONS WHICH DEALT WITH AN ANALYSIS OF SCIENTOLOGY DOCUMENTS WHICH DETAILS POSSIBLE BUREAU SCIENTOLOGY INFILTRATION, ARGUING THAT THE BUREAU SHOULD NOT BE RESTRICTED FROM IDENTIFYING AND ADMINISTRATIVELY HANDLING SUCH INDIVIDUALS. JUDGE LUCAS REQUESTED THAT THIS

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MATTER BE RESEARCHED BY THE PETITIONING PARTIES AND THAT THIS  
MATTER WILL BE ADJUDICATED AT A COURT HEARING SET FOR 10:30  
A.M., AUGUST 29, 1977.

WFO, WILL ADVISE AUSA, D.C. OF THE ABOVE AND ARRANGE FOR  
RETURN OF SEIZED DOCUMENTS TO THE CLERK OF THE D.C. COURT.

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From: Director, FBI

SITOL

The Criminal Division of the Department has advised that on 8/22/77, the Solicitor General of the U. S. Wade H. McCree, Jr., approved the Government's appeal in the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia regarding Judge William B. Bryant's ruling of 7/27/77, that the search warrant executed on the property of the Church of Scientology in Washington, D. C. on 7/8/77, was too broad for a conspiracy violation and that it amounted to a "general warrant" and, therefore, violated the guarantee of the fourth amendment of the U. S. Constitution against unreasonable searches and seizures.

The Criminal Division further advised that the U. S. Attorney for the District of Columbia has approval to proceed to prepare the necessary legal briefs and to proceed with the appeal.

WFO will follow this appeal closely with the U. S. Attorney and keep FBIHQ, the Los Angeles Division and other appropriate auxiliary offices advised on a timely basis of all pertinent developments.

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Finance and Personnel Division has instituted file reviews in connection with numerous names appearing in material seized during SITOL searches which could possibly relate to past or present FBI employees. View in mind is to interview all present employees. However, a question has arisen in the courts concerning constitutionality of SITOL search and seizures. In hearing before U. S. District Court Judge in Los Angeles, 8/18/77, AUSA requested FBI be allowed to retain referenced documents and conduct appropriate investigation pertaining to them. These investigations to be administrative in nature. AUSA states that FBI may continue administrative inquiry regarding material and Deputy Assistant Attorney General John C. Keeney, Criminal Division, Department of Justice, concurred with AUSA 8/19/77 but indicated that continuation of administrative inquiry by Bureau was at discretion of Bureau if Bureau so desired.

Bureau has previously advised all offices to hold administrative inquiries in abeyance since ruling on constitutionality of searches is pending. Los Angeles recommends we move forward with administrative inquiry at this time. Finance and Personnel Division disagrees and recommends we continue to hold in abeyance inasmuch as the court ruling, which will be held 8/29/77, if unfavorable to the

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Government, would allow all documents and all information obtained during administrative inquiry relating to these seized documents be placed in the custody of the court.

RECOMMENDATION: That we continue to hold in abeyance all administrative inquiries and interviews resulting from SITOL matter pending results of court ruling 8/29/77.

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RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU, AUGUST 19, 1977.

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE MALCOLM N. LUCAS AT LOS ANGELES ON  
AUGUST 29, 1977, HEARD ARGUMENTS CONCERNING RETENTION OF  
INTERNAL BUREAU COMMUNICATIONS WHICH DEAL WITH POSSIBLE  
SCIENTOLOGY INFILTRATION. AFTER LENGTHY COURT SESSION, JUDGE  
LUCAS TOOK THE MATTER UNDER ADVISEMENT. NO INDICATION WAS  
GIVEN WHEN A DECISION WILL BE FORTHCOMING. REC-53

INVENTORY CONSISTING OF 288 BOXES WHICH CONSTITUTE A COM-  
PLETE ACCOUNTING OF ALL ITEMS SEIZED AND REPRODUCED IN CAPTIONED  
MATTER WAS TURNED OVER TO THE CLERK OF THE LOS ANGELES DISTRICT

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