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T.S.M.Y. EXCALIBUR

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advised on April 30, 1973 that 811 South Beacon Street, Los Angeles, is occupied by the Church of Scientology, and there are several other branches in the Los Angeles area. He advised that he believed that "Excalibur" was a boat belonging to the Church, which he has seen mentioned on signs in the office and described as going on cruises. [REDACTED] further advised that Scientology is expanding its operations into Canada and Mexico, and sending out literature asking for individuals to come to Los Angeles for courses at the Church. He further advised that the Los Angeles editorial offices of the Church of Scientology were around the corner at 2005 West Ninth Street, Los Angeles. (b)(7)(c) (b)(7)(D)

Records of the U. S. Coast Guard, Long Beach, California, indicated on May 1, 1973 that the Church of Scientology currently has four boats registered - "Neptune", "Ares", "Checkmate" and "Makaira". There is no record of a current registration for T.S.M.Y. Excalibur.

A Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) observed on April 30, 1973 that the address 2005 West Ninth Street is occupied by a building with the name of Church of Scientology. A newspaper rack in front contained copies of the March-May 1973 issue of "Freedom", published by the Church of Scientology. A copy was obtained and is attached.

The files of the Los Angeles Office of the FBI contain no record of T.S.M.Y. Excalibur. Los Angeles files contain the following information concerning Scientology:

A publication entitled "Reality" dated May 1960, is self-described as the official publication of Dianetics and Scientology in California and the western United States.

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The founder is listed as L. Ron Hubbard. This publication states, "In the hands of the intelligent, Scientology, by altering human energy, has duplicated any miracle of yesteryear in healing. But it is far more than a science of healing. By it and by it alone could be determined the quality of those who govern man. By Scientology one can know and predict his fellows, he can heal and secure the future of his children, he can evaluate tomorrow and learn to rule today....In a few hours Scientology can make the lame walk, the blind see."

L. Ron Hubbard has been associated with a number of organizations having their headquarters in Washington, D. C. Among those organizations are the Hubbard Association of Scientologists International, Hubbard Dianetic Research Foundation, and Academy of Scientology. His organizations allegedly advance a new method of curing mental illness known as Dianetics.

The April 24, 1951, issue of the "Times Herald" newspaper, Washington, D. C., revealed that Hubbard's wife charged in a divorce suit that he was "hopelessly insane" and subjected her to "scientific torture experiments." According to the article, competent medical advisors recommended Hubbard be committed to a private sanitarium for psychiatric observation and treatment for mental ailment known as "paranoid-schizophrenia."

According to articles appearing in Los Angeles newspapers in April of 1951 Hubbard was accused of kidnaping his wife by force and imprisoning their 13 month old daughter.

The Founding Church of Scientology is self-described as follows:

The Founding Church of Scientology is a legally constituted Church, domiciled in the District of Columbia.

It has branches in other states, and has many correspondents and members of its sister religious fellowship in all parts of the world.

The Church of Scientology is dedicated to the freedom of the Spirit. The entirety of the activities of the Church of Scientology are dedicated to this end, to the freeing of the Spirit of Man.

Scientology believes that the Spirit of Man is Man himself, not his body.

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Scientology believes that the Spirit of Man can be saved from the burden of past sins, by the counseling and aiding of the Spirit.

Their ends are purely spiritual, not secular.

By the means of Scientology, they believe, Man can be made free and pure, free of the taint of past sins and free to do good to himself and his fellows.

Scientology believes in religious freedom as guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States of America.

Scientology will extend the hand of friendship to all who are believers in Man as a Spirit.

Scientology is a dead enemy of secular teachings as stated by such latter day philosophers as Marx and others of that ilk.

Scientology believes that the United States of America and the World as a whole requires religious freedom to survive.

"Life" magazine, issue of November 15, 1968 contains an article on Scientology and states, "A growing cult reaches dangerously into the mind."

"Among believers, Scientology and its founder are beyond frivolous question: Scientology is the Truth, it is the path to 'a civilization without insanity, without criminals and without war....' and 'for the first time in all ages there is something that....delivers the answers to the eternal questions and delivers immortality as well.'"

"So much of a credo might be regarded as harmless--practically indistinguishable from any number of minority schemes for the improvement of Man. But Scientology is scary--because of its size and growth, and because of the potentially disastrous techniques it so casually makes use of. To attain the Truth, a Scientologist surrenders himself to 'auditing,' a crude form of psychoanalysis. In the best medical circumstances this is a delicate procedure, but in Scientology it is undertaken by an 'auditor' who is simply another Scientologist in training, who uses an 'E-meter,' which resembles a lie detector. A government report, made to the parliament of the State of Victoria in Australia three years ago, called Scientology 'the world's largest organization of unqualified persons engaged in the practice of dangerous techniques which masquerade as mental therapy.'"