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Dear Sirs:

I address you on behalf of the thousands of members of the Church of Scientology in the greater metropolitan area who share with me a concern for the preservation of their constitutional rights under the 1st and 4th Amendments.

The Church and its members seek a more orderly society free from lawlessness and crime and are noted for their non-violent behavior and strong interest in enhancing our culture.

It must be understood, however, that we will not continue to tolerate deprivations of the rights of our fellows through any of the actions of Justice Department (figures) who act illegally and outside the protections set forth by our Founding Fathers.

Today we are demanding answers and explanations from you on issues relevant to our concerns.

Irrespective of any legal arguments still before the courts we demand to know:

- 1) Why are Assistant U.S. Attorneys, Justice Department and FBI behaving diametrically opposite to Carter administration human rights guidelines in their dealing with the Church of Scientology? (Re: massive raids that smashed down church doors, invaded privacy, and ignored rights).
- 2) Why has the Justice Department and FBI disregarded the 1st and 4th Amendment rights of the Church?

- 3) Why has the Justice Department together with FBI engaged in a 20 year campaign of harassment of the Church of Scientology?
- 4) Is this campaign an attempt to block reforms that expose Federal agency abuses?
- 5) Why is the Justice Department with FBI continuing punitive confinement of Rev. Arthur Maren? (now in jail over 7 months). Isn't the true reason because he is major Church of Scientology spokesman and has been the most vocal?

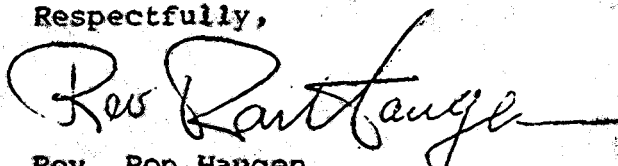
In closing it is our contention that harassment and intimidation from Justice Department has continued even after the notorious July 8th break-in.

Continued abuse of citizen rights can only serve to instill in the citizenry a greater distrust for Law Enforcement. For when society fails to give to Law Enforcement the respect needed for a properly directed society, then Law Enforcement will, in turn, fail to give to society protections it needs.

It's your responsibility as preservers of the citizen's welfare to make this happen.

We await your reply with patience befitting honest citizens interested in guaranteed restoration of their rights.

Respectfully,



Rev. Ron Haugen  
President and Spokesman

CC: Major New York Media (Foreign and Domestic)  
Civil Liberties Organizations, Human Rights Organizations,  
Churches, etc.