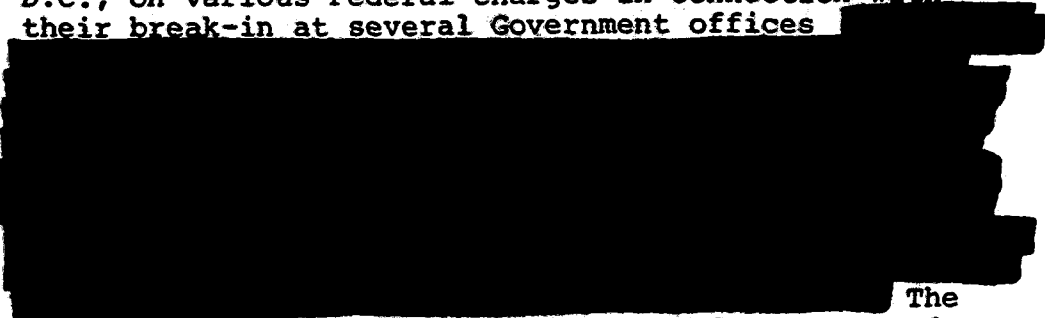


10/19/79
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

By way of background, in August, 1978, 11 Church of Scientology (COS) members were indicted in Washington, D.C., on various Federal charges in connection with their break-in at several Government offices [REDACTED]

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The indictments were based primarily upon documents and evidence seized during the execution of search warrants at COS locations in Los Angeles, California, in 1977. The trial concerning this matter was scheduled to begin in USDC on 9/24/79 with Judge Charles R. Richey presiding.

Attached from Washington Field advises that all subjects indicted in this matter, with the exception of Morris Budlong and Jan Kember, appeared before Judge Richey on 10/26/79 and agreed to stipulated record of trial provided by the Government. Seven of the subjects were found guilty of conspiracy to obstruct justice. Another subject was found guilty of conspiracy to steal Government documents, commit burglary of Government offices and wiretaps of Government offices. One other subject was found guilty of Theft of Government Property. All subjects released on personal recognizance bond. No date set for sentencing. Subjects Kember and Budlong are both in England awaiting extradition. Judge Richey made the remainder of documents seized in Los Angeles on 7/8/77, public record. Documents will be available to the public and held by the Clerk of the Courts' Office, USDC, Washington, D.C.

- 1 - Mr. Colwell
- 1 - Mr. Mintz
- 1 - Public Affairs
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