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Re: SCIENTOLOGY

8/15/81 BY [Signature]

Dear [Redacted]

In accordance with your request of February 23, 1968, the following information concerning captioned subject is being furnished direct to your Dallas Resident Agency.

Your attention is called to our letter dated September 15, 1959, at which time certain information contained in our files as of that date with respect to "Scientology" was furnished to you.

In 1960 information was received that an organization called Scientology of Dallas was located at 3519 Oak Lawn Avenue, Dallas, Texas. It was indicated that members of this organization allegedly study a Russian text book on "brainwashing." It was also alleged that an unidentified serum is administered to the members and that hypnosis is practiced during such meetings.

Literature appearing at the Church of Scientology identified the writer of same as L. Ron Hubbard and the Hubbard Association of Scientologists, International, which in 1953 was located at one time at 1017 North Third Street, Phoenix, Arizona. Since 1956 the address of Hubbard Association of Scientologists has been 237 North 16th Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Neither the Church of Scientology, Lafayette Ronald Hubbard, also known as L. Ron Hubbard have been the subjects of active investigation by this bureau.

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- 3 - Dallas (1 - 86-387A)
- (1 - 80-444A)
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The files of the FBI do reflect that Hubbard claims to have been born March 13, 1911 at Tilden, Nebraska. He divorced his first wife, Margaret Grubb Hubbard in 1947. He subsequently lived as man and wife with Sara Elizabeth Northrup, although there is apparently some confusion as to the actual legal status of this relationship. In 1949, Hubbard and Sara Northrup established an organization known as the "American Institute of Advanced Therapy" in New Jersey and Hubbard wrote a book entitled "Dianetics: The Modern Science of Mental Health", and established a new organization known as the Hubbard Dianetic Research Foundation, Incorporated, which organization was chartered under the laws of the State of New Jersey. The purpose of this organization was to teach the practice of Dianetics which is allegedly a new approach to the treatment of many physical and mental illnesses without the use of drugs or medicine. This treatment is called Psychotherapy by Hubbard.

Hubbard has complained to this bureau on several occasions concerning the staff of his organization and Sara Northrup. He has alleged that a number of employees of the foundation are communists or communist sympathizers and that an effort is being made to turn his mailing list and business over to the Communist Party.

Allegations have been made that the activities of the Hubbard Dianetics Research Foundation are of particular interest to sexual perverts, hypochondriacs, and are also subscribed to by a goodly number of curiosity seekers. Several individuals, including Sara Northrup, have alleged Hubbard is mentally incompetent. Under date of March 14, 1951, the Department of Law and Safety, Board of Medical Examiners, State of New Jersey, advised this bureau that it had a case against the Hubbard Dianetics Research Foundation, Incorporated, which was due for trial in Union County, District Court, Elizabeth, New Jersey, March 27, 1951. The foundation was charged with conducting a school teaching a branch of medicine and surgery without possessing a license. This bureau has not been advised as to the results of this court action.

A copy of a communication dated June 12, 1954, on the letterhead of the Hubbard Association of Scientologists, International, 806 North Third Street, Phoenix, Arizona, addressed to Better Business Bureau, Phoenix, Arizona, describes this organization and a copy of this communication is being enclosed herewith for your information.

Very truly yours,

J. Gordon Shanklin
Special Agent in Charge