

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. W. E. Wannall

FROM : H. E. Helgeson

SUBJECT: THE FOUNDING CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY
INFORMATION CONCERNING

- 1 - Mr. T. J. Jenkins
- 1 - Mr. J. B. Adams
- 1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz
- DATE: 5/8/75
- 1 - Mr. J. J. McDermott
- 1 - Mr. W. E. Wannall
- 1 - Mr. H. E. Helgeson

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By letter to the Director 4/30/75 Reverend Vaughn Young, National Office, Church of Scientology (CS), Washington, D. C., requested to meet with the Director to present to him documents obtained by CS showing that false or erroneous information is maintained by Interpol concerning CS and its founder, L. Ron Hubbard. According to the letter, Jean Nepote, Secretary General of Interpol, advised a representative of CS in Paris that FBI would be agency to authenticate documents obtained by CS and therefore Reverend Young was requesting a meeting with the Director for this purpose on 5/5/75. *u*

Reverend Young and Hugh Wilhere, CS, were interviewed by me and Supervisor William N. Preusse on 5/5/75. Reverend Young had in his possession copies of documents which indicated Interpol had in its possession information from FBI concerning CS and Hubbard. He also had other documents obtained by CS which Reverend Young claimed refuted this information. It was determined from Reverend Young that information attributed to FBI came from West German Federal Criminal Police and an unknown reporter in Europe supposedly obtained from Interpol files and furnished to CS. *u*

Reverend Young was advised that the FBI cannot authenticate any of the documents presented by him and it was further noted that various representatives of CS had requested information in Bureau files concerning CS and Hubbard through the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), and that any documents desired by him may be made available to authorized representatives of CS. Reverend Young noted however that he did not want to wait for this to happen and would be in recontact with me this week to see if he can get an immediate reply to his request. *u*

Reverend Young recontacted me again on 5/8/75 and at his request interviewed. Procedures on how to obtain Identification Record of Hubbard were explained to him and it was again

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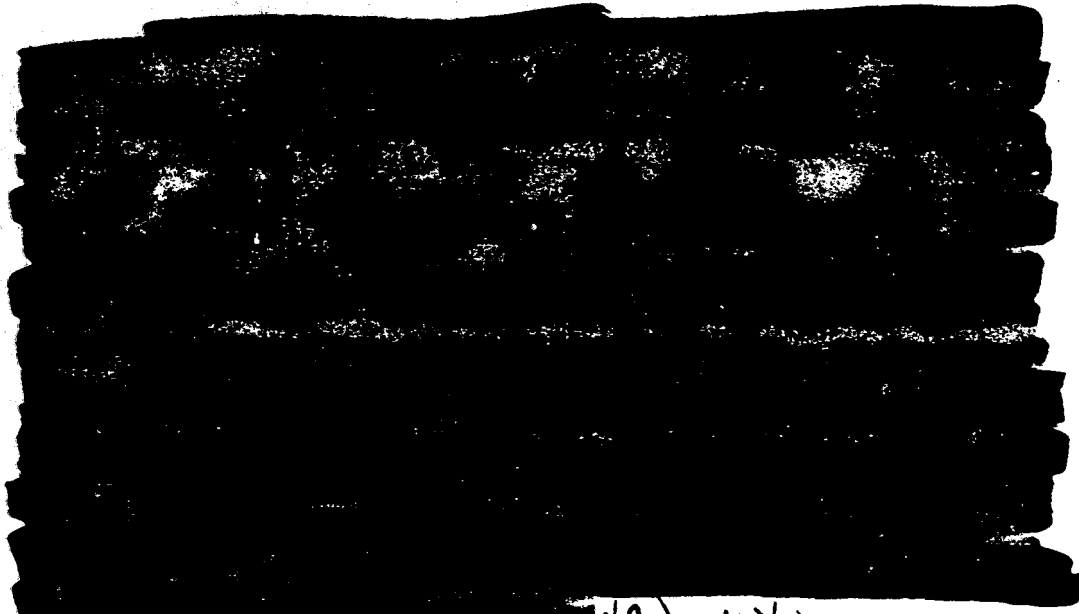
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reiterated that information desired by him must be obtained through FOIA and he should contact appropriate CS attorney. He was advised if he desired information in his possession being made matter of record with FBI he should submit same to us and it would be so noted. ✓

OBSERVATIONS:

This matter was referred to me as the exact reason for Reverend Young's visit to the Bureau was not known. Since it is now obvious that his request strictly pertains to material in our files, it is being recommended that any future contacts by him be referred to the Files and Communications Division. Reverend Young was informed that requests by officials of CS for information concerning CS and Hubbard are being processed and appropriate documents will be made available to authorized representatives of CS. ✓



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RECOMMENDATION:

In future contacts with the Bureau by Reverend Young, he be referred to a representative of the Files and Communications Division handling FOIA matters. ✓

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