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TO : ASST. REGIONAL FOOD & DRUG DIRECTOR, LOS-FO

DATE: Nov. 23 1970

FROM : James P. Di Grazia, Inspector, Los-FO

SUBJECT: Scientology

- 1) re: Jack Horner
2) Melody Horner
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3) John McMasters

On 11/19/70, I visited (Mrs. Melody Horner) at her home, (1246 South Westgate Avenue, Apt. #1, Los Angeles, California (213/479-7575)). (Mrs. Horner) had written (President Nixon) (11/3/70 ltr.) and the (International Court of Justice) (Exhibit 2, 10/30/70 ltr.) about the administrative practices of L. Ron Hubbard, founder of Scientology.

I showed my credentials to (Mrs. Horner,) and informed her that FDA had received her letters and requested an interview. (Mrs. Horner) assented to my request and asked if I also wished to speak to (Mr. John McMasters) who was staying with the (Horner's.) I replied affirmatively. (Mrs. Horner) then woke (Mr. McMasters.) Until the latter appeared, I interviewed (Mrs. Horner) in the living room.


(Mrs. Horner) appeared to be in her mid-thirties. She related the following chronology of her association with Scientology.

(Mrs. Horner) is a native (of South Africa.) She has a B.S. in Chemistry and Botony and became interested in Scientology in 1955, while working in a laboratory in (Johannesberg, South Africa.) She felt Scientology would improve her ability to handle her every day problems and she was interested in helping others do the same.

DIVISION OF CASE GUIDANCE (BD-310)
Attention: Bud Loftus

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For your information. Interview with (Hubbard, Jr.) will follow.


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At this time, she met (her future husband, (Jack Horner,) who had come to (Johannesberg) to teach Scientology at the first level. They were married before she enrolled in a professional course. After completing the course, she worked with her husband and others in (South Africa,) helping those who joined Scientology increase or realize their potentials.

(The (Horner's) moved to (Dallas, Texas,) to continue work in Scientology. (Mrs. Horner) assisted her husband in group work (Communication Drills) (in Dallas.) Her husband also worked five hours each day with individual members, processing them to control their minds, emotions and bodies, and to treat psychosomatic illnesses. She stated that most members of the group wished to improve their everyday life. (Mrs. Horner) continued to work in Scientology until (1960, when her first child began to walk.) From this time on, (Mrs. Horner) no longer was directly involved in Scientology teaching or processing but did have social teas at her home for groups being instructed by her husband. She stated that she was, however, always with her husband in spirit during his Scientology work.

(Mrs. Horner) stated that neither she nor her husband believed in a God or gods, but do believe in spirits. With the aid of E-Meters, members can recall life in other times and prepare their spirit for life in the future. I asked (Mrs. Horner) if this was a belief in reincarnation. She replied that it was. She described the E-Meter as an electrical device used as an objective test to measure the attention of an auditee (person being processed). She added that it enlarged mental awareness. (Mrs. Horner) stated that Scientology has enriched her life.

Shortly after discontinuing her direct involvement in Scientology, (Mrs. Horner) and her husband moved to (Chicago in 1960) where he continued to work in Scientology group activity. In (1961, Mrs. Horner) began to feel the administration of the subject (individuals being processed) was less than ideal. She felt the relationship between auditor and auditee could be improved. She stated that she was also fed up with the cost of re-training imposed upon her husband by Hubbard. She referred me to her husband for actual cost of his retraining.

In (1964, six weeks after the birth of their second child, the Horner's) moved to England where (Mr. Horner) enrolled and completed an advanced course in Scientology at East Hill Manor, Sussex. (Mr. Horner completed the course in less time than other enrollees,) and the (Horner's) moved back to (Chicago where Mr. Horner) resumed his work in Scientology. In 1965, L. Ron Hubbard formulated a policy which directed that letters of complaint from Scientology members be filed in a dead letter file by the Scientology organization. (The Horner's) felt this was an improper way to handle grievances and was a further detriment to beneficial administration of the subject.

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Subsequently, still in 1965, L. Ron Hubbard formulated a stronger policy which directed that those members who expressed opinions divergent or contrary, to those of Hubbard be labeled "Suppressives". Such people were ostracized by the organization and its members. Organization members in good standing were required to write Letters of Disconnection to members declared as Suppressives. Although Suppressives were divorced from Scientology association, they were not excommunicated or expelled from the organization, and were given a chance to reform. Hubbard wrote at least three Ammesty Letters in which he listed Suppressives and the crimes they had committed, and therein forgiving them, bringing these members back into the organization in good standing. (Mrs. Horner) stated the phenomenon of repudiating and then exonerating members was a Hubbard personality trait.

Mr. Hubbard stated that there were many complaints from members who were labeled "Suppressives" claiming that this had been done without any justification.

As a result of these policies and other restrictions imposed upon him by Hubbard (Mr. Horner wrote several letters to Hubbard. Mr. Horner expressed his dissatisfaction with these policies and also informed Hubbard that he, (Horner), was hampered in his efforts to teach Scientology. (Mr. Horner) wished to modify and expand methods of Scientology teaching and so informed Hubbard.) L. Ron Hubbard responded by branding (Mr. Horner) a "Suppressive" and excommunicating him from Scientology. (Mrs. Horner) stated they received 70 letters of Disconnection from people within the organization.

(Mrs. Horner) stated her husband left Scientology in (1965) and worked for five years in (Chicago on acting and business jobs) until he overcame his inner conflict and (opened his own business in Los Angeles.) (Mr. Horner presently operates the Personal Creative Freedom Center in Westwood (Los Angeles) where he teaches the philosophy of Scientology in his own manner.

During (1967, Mrs. Horner) went back to work (as a technical assistant at Northwestern University) for a short time.

At this point in the interview, (Mr. John McMasters) entered the room. (Mrs. Horner) introduced us to one another. (Mrs. Horner) indicated (that McMasters) knew more about some of the things she had mentioned in her letter, so I asked (McMasters) to discuss his association with Scientology. He then related the following:

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(Mr. (John McMasters) is a native (of South Africa) and appears to be about 40 years old. (At the age of 26, he had his stomach removed because of Cancer. He was told that he had five years to live.) He decided to (attend medical school. In 1960, while in his third year of medical school,) he encountered Scientology for the first time. He felt that Scientology had tremendous medical application and so (informed (the Dean of his medical school.) He discontinued his (formal (medical education) to pursue Scientology, intending at a later date to bring back what he had learned to (the medical profession.)

(Mr. McMasters) stated that ever since (his operation,) he had tremendous pain in (his stomach.) After joining Scientology, he was processed using an E-Meter, and discovered that ever since his mother (died of stomach Cancer, (he was five years old at the time), he had sub-consciously attempted to assume his mother's role. He was now experiencing his mother's death.) Once this was revealed to him during processing, the pain disappeared and has never returned. He believes (his (Cancer) was related to a psychosomatic cause and was cured through Scientology. (Mr. McMaster) stated that he, himself, has helped through processing, his own father's failing eyesight and arthritis, in addition to other people with migraine headaches and other corporal afflictions.

(In 1966, Mr. McMasters was the first member of Scientology to be considered "Clear". He has performed many lectures and appeared on many radio and television shows for Scientology. All proceeds for these appearances and his many world tours went to L. Ron Hubbard.) (Mr. McMasters) stated that while working for Scientology in New York, he received \$10.00 per week food allowance and no other financial income, from the organization. (Mr. McMasters) stated that all paper monies earned by Scientology are kept by Hubbard aboard ship, while notes and checks are kept in a Swiss bank.

(Mr. McMaster) stated that each time he returned to Hubbard after completing a (mission (of (speaking engagements,) L. Ron Hubbard would publicly repudiate, embarrass and punish (McMasters) demonstrating to all that he (Hubbard) was still the only "source" and voice of Scientology. (Mr. McMaster) stated that his hands and legs were bound on several occasions, and he was thrown overboard. I asked him how he survived. He replied he "swims like a fish". (Mr. McMaster) stated the last time this happened, he sustained a left shoulder injury which paralyzed his left arm for some time.)

(Mr. McMaster) related incidents of child abuse aboard Hubbard's ship. He stated that children from the age of 3 years old were locked up in chain-lockers aboard ship because of childish misbehavior. He

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related an incident where a deaf-mute little girl was put in a chain locker for 10 days. He stated that Hubbard considered these children "Suppressive Beings". (Mr. McMaster) continued that parents of these children, aboard ship, for training, were in a state of terror and issued no objection to such treatment. (Mr. McMaster) condemned this behavior as spiritual tyranny on the part of Hubbard. (Mrs. Horner) added at this point, that such practice was sadism. (Mr. McMasters) stated that he has learned through the grapevine of a local chain-locker and gagging treatment (of Charles Allan, a Scientology member who was labeled a "Suppressive and Betrayer" at the American St. Hill Organization, Los Angeles.) (Mr. McMaster) did not know the exact location of this incident.

In 1969, Mr. McMasters was sent on a Scientology mission to the United Nations in New York. Mr. Hubbard abruptly cancelled this mission, and in November 1969, Mr. McMasters left Scientology. He has not been excommunicated from the organization, nor has he been branded a "Suppressive". He believes that he and his efforts are too well known and too highly regarded by members of Scientology to be castigated in such a manner. (Mr. McMasters) summarized Hubbard's policies as one which reflects the philosophy of the end justifying the means.

Mr. McMasters stated he recently decided to come to the United States and assist Mr. Horner in his Scientology teachings in Los Angeles. On 9/17/70, he entered the country at New York and was apprehended and searched by federal authorities who had been tipped off he was an LSD smuggler. Mr. McMasters believes this false allegation was the work of the Scientology Organization in an attempt to destroy him.

I asked (Mr. McMasters) to expand on (Mrs. Horner's) comments concerning the E-Meter.

(Mr. McMaster) replied that the E-Meter picks up thoughts at a sub-awareness level. Each thought has its own energy and mental mass which change the body's electrical resistance. The E-Meter registers this resistance and enables the auditor and auditee to pick up a thought that would otherwise be suppressed or lost.

I asked (Mr. McMasters) why Scientology is described as a religion.

He replied that he never considered Scientology a religion but rather mental therapy of great value. He added that it probably is described as a religion because a religious organization is less vulnerable, money-wise, than other organizations. (He stated that when appointed the First Pope of Scientology by Hubbard, he laughed at Hubbard for such an idea.) He stated there is nothing like a Diety or Christian Trinity in Scientology. (Mrs. Horner) interrupted at this point to draw an analogy between Hubbard's punitive acts aboard ship and the Roman

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Catholic Inquisition. (Mr. McMasters) then recalled a dialogue between himself and a Roman Catholic priest on a New York television show on which he agreed with (the priest's) claim that Scientologists did not believe in a Diety.

(Mr. McMasters) stated he believes L. Ron Hubbard is attempting to control the earth through telepathy. He stated Hubbard's basic objective is to capture this planet.

At the present time, (Mr. McMaster) is assisting (Mr. Horner) in processing. Both he and (Mr. Horner) use E-Meters. (Mrs. Horner) brought an E-Meter with the name "Jack Horner" on it into the living room during my discussion with (Mr. McMaster) on the subject.

At this point in the interview, (Mr. Horner) arrived. He appears to be in his mid-forties. We were introduced to each other by (Mrs. Horner) who fed and briefed (Mr. Horner). After his meal, (Mr. Horner) joined us and I interviewed him.

(Mr. Horner) repeated some information already provided by either (Mrs. Horner or Mr. McMasters,) then described two recent incidents of violence. (He stated that during (Mr. McMaster's) stay with the (Horner's), (he (Mr. Horner)) was physically attacked and beaten up at (his own door-step) one evening. (Mr. Horner) feels this was the work of Scientology members but no charges were filed against any specific individuals.

The second incident was a burglary of (Mr. Horner's Personal Creative Freedom Center,) during which only tape recordings of lectures by him and Hubbard were stolen. Mr. Horner) again is sure that this was the work of Scientology members, but no charges were filed.

(Mr. McMasters) explained that when Scientology members are placed in undesirable categories such as "Doubt", they must deal a destructive blow to the enemy if they are to be elevated into categories of good standing. (Mr. McMasters) believes these acts were such blows. In addition, he stated Scientology groups have (forged his signature to a recent letter expousing "Greek Love", and he feared such intimation of him as a homosexual might prevent his admission to the United States.)

I asked (Mr. Horner) if Scientology was a religion. (Mr. Horner) stated that in 1950, when he first became acquainted with Scientology and Dianetics, he was a hard core materialistic atheist doing graduate work. After working with Scientology for many years, he has come to view it as a religion in the sense of an awareness of a spiritual being. He stated that administratively speaking, Scientology does not have many of the mechanics of religion such as the dress, the belief in a Diety,

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and rituals of Mass.

At this point, the interviews were interrupted. I explained to the group that I wished to review and digest the information that I had garnered, and would probably be contacting them in the near future for additional information. (Mr. Horner) asked that I phone before future interviews.

(Mr. McMaster) stated that he would remain in (this country) as long as we wished to speak to him.

Before leaving, the (Horner's) provided me with the name of another former Scientology member who had been excommunicated and subsequently established his own business. This individual is (Mr. Charles Berner operating the Institute of Ability, P.O. Box 798, Lucerne Valley, California (714/248-7007), and 617 North Larchmont, Hollywood, California (Los Angeles) (213/466-0663).]



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The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.
Mr. President:

I wish to acquaint you with some of the activities of Lafayette Ronald Hubbard, American, who is the founder of Dianetics and Scientology. I have enclosed an informative letter.

The ship "Apollo" is registered in Panama.

Recently, I heard that a replica of the ship plus chain-locker has been set up, by the "Sea Organisation", in the Los Angeles area. John Allan (not sure of the spelling) was imprisoned in it for a month or so. After he became hysterical, they gagged him.

If it is convenient, would you please suggest to which body, a case against Mr. Hubbard and the "Sea Organisation" could be submitted, and how the legal fees would be paid.

I would prefer my name not mentioned to any Scientology organisation.

Respectfully yours,
Melody Horner
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Enclosure. ✓

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United States of America
October 30, 1970

Chief Justice of the
International Court of Justice
The Hague
Netherlands

Sir:

I wish to draw your attention to the activities of Lafayette Ronald Hubbard, founder of Dianetics and Scientology, who controls his organisations from aboard his ship the "Apollo" in the Mediterranean Sea. Because he is the commodore, many people from various countries, who have legitimate complaints don't know to which authority they can report him.

I have enclosed the names and addresses of the various Scientology organisations which Mr. Hubbard controls through his telex system and his Sea Organisation. The Sea Organisation has several purposes, one of which is the harassment and "Mafia-like" control of people connected to the organisations, who disagree with Mr. Hubbard's policies.

Scientology in its theory and much of its technology is valuable to man. The technology directs a person, as a spirit, to gain better control over his mind, emotions, body, and communication with others. My husband and I used to be Scientologists, but we left in (1965,) after Mr. Hubbard put the policy into effect that we and other had to write letters of disconnection (excommunication) to former friends who somehow had fallen out of favor with Mr. Hubbard. In my opinion, Mr. Hubbard's administrative policies, over the past six years, have cancelled-out a lot of the value of the subject. His personality has grown more and more destructive, and I feel sorry for the staff he traps aboard his ship.

(I am a naturalized American citizen, formerly from South Africa.)
At present there is a Court of Inquiry into Scientology, by the government of South Africa.) I plan to write, to ask them

not to ban Scientology because the subject can be of great benefit. However I shall suggest that the conditions under which the movement may continue, be clearly defined. Mr. Hubbard is not welcomed by the governments of the U.S. A. England, Australia, Rhodesia, and South Africa.

On the ship "Apollo" (docks at Greece) Mr. Hubbard and his family, regularly train and indoctrinate the heads of staff of Scientology Organisations from various countries. After they have spent some months on board, undergoing procedures, they are given their passports again, and made to return to the organisations from which they came, to expand the subject.

One man and wife, South Africans and on board, gained the disapproval of Mr. Hubbard. He dumped the husband plus passport in one country, and then dumped the wife plus passport, in another country. Eventually, these two found each other in England and now they are back in South Africa.

Mr. Hubbard only recently, reportedly stopped a policy of throwing members of staff overboard for "crimes." (John McMaster, who lives in Durban, South Africa, has been staying with us for a few weeks, and will be returning via New York to Durban soon. He was Mr. Hubbard's chief spokesman for about three years. John McMaster was given a Scientology mission to the United Nations. He appeared on television to talk about Scientology.)

In (1969, November,) he resigned from Scientology, and returned to Durban.) He has told us recently how he and others attended an "overboard" ceremony. The victim had his hands and ankles tied, and then was tossed overboard while the chaplain chanted that when the body came out of the sea, the person would be a better spirit: (John) was thrown overboard twice, before Mr. Hubbard suddenly made (John the Chaplain.) That morning, another person was thrown overboard for some punishment, but (John) had not received the announcement (that he was to be the presiding chaplain,) and so was not at the ceremony.) In reprimand, Mr. Hubbard ordered (John's) wrists and ankles bound and he was thrown overboard. (John) said that each time, the men, executing the binding were unhappy about it, and tied the ropes lightly so that (John) could shake them off in the sea, and haul himself back on board. (In that last splash, John's shoulder was wrenched, and it troubled him for months.)

(John McMaster) wanted to improve the application of Scientology so he endured Mr. Hubbard's inequities for seven years! He finally resigned after he heard that Quintin, one of Mr. Hubbard's sons had made a suicide attempt. (John) has since been using

Scientology techniques with clients, quietly and humanely. He would tell the truth if a court asked him to relate his experiences. He describes Mr. Hubbard's methods as spiritual tyranny.

Possibly the chain-locker punishment is still used on board the "Apollo." Alan Walters, in Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A., was imprisoned there, and others whom (John) has seen. Mr. Hubbard has imprisoned children, at a very young age, in the chain locker on board the "Apollo" for his own special reasons. I am writing this letter on behalf of these silent people.

If Mr. Hubbard has stopped the "overboard ceremonies," I think that another kind of punishment will soon be metered out. He is a sadist in my opinion and has abused his right to command a ship and the people on board. (For fifteen years,) I have experienced or watched, how he has indoctrinated and power-handled people so that they are silently agonised and afraid.

He appropriates much money. I believe his accounts are in the Swiss banks.

I appeal to you to send investigative officers to board the "Apollo" at unexpected intervals. They should have the authority to deal with Commodore L. Ronald Hubbard, a cunning personality. I predict that he will become more and more vicious.

N.B. If this letter brings a result, I would prefer my name not mentioned as the "henchmen" (in Los Angeles) would probably be ordered to get rid of me, or my family, as an obstacle in their pursuit of Power.

If necessary, please direct me to the hierarchy of authority in regard to this matter.

Very truly yours,
Melody Horner
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