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Dear Scientologist,

I am the Vice President of the Founding Church of Scientology, responsible for the legal affairs of the Church. Presently the Church here in Washington is involved in a number of suits with the government which all Scientologists should be made aware of.

Our government maintains detailed and specific information in its files on nearly every individual and group in the country. This information varies from data about a person's birth and marriage records, all the way to IRS reports and possible police interest, opinions from employers about an individual's aptitude for his work, stability, etc. This dossier system works in a similar manner to a reactive mind. A question is raised or data needed on a group or individual, a search for information is made in the files, and whatever pops out is the basis for action. If the data contained in these records is false or misleading, decisions can be made about an individual or group, which would by the nature of the information, be incorrect or unjust.

The Church has experienced such difficulties in the past. A prime example was the former problem of registering alien ministers to work at a US Church or live in the US.

For unknown and unexplained reasons, our ministers had been denied residency and worker status in the US by the Department of Labor and the Department of State. Although there was no overt reason, and staff of the Church spent thousands of hours to get our rightful status, but the situation persisted.

We learned several months ago that a single Labor Dept. official in 1968 had written a very derogatory and false report about the Church which was the source of this problem. From someone who had heard "rumours", he wrote in his report that Scientologists: "widely use LSD and other drugs while assembled" ... "an initiation ceremony is held for all new members at which time an electric shock is administered..."

Needless to say, such false reports in government files can slow the acceptance and expansion of the Church, and we are in the process of correcting this erroneous data. When confronted with documentation that the material was false, the Labor Dept.

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wrote a formal apology, gave us full recognition as a bona fide international religion, and granted our ministers the highest available status as immigrants.

Some agencies however have refused to turn over their records on the Church for one reason or another ( usually because they don't want known what false information is maintained in their files ), and these agencies have forced us to take them to the Federal Courts in order to review these files which is our right by law under the Freedom of Information Act. The Church presently has FOI ( Freedom of Information ) suits against the IRS, FBI, CIA, State Department, Customs Department and others, and the suits are progressing very well.

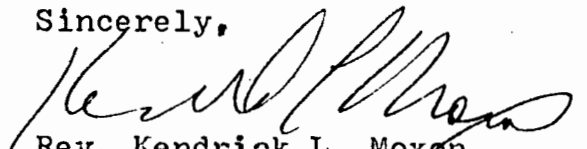
LRH has stated that the maintenance of these reports in government files will inhibit the growth of Scientology throughout the world, and only when these reports are corrected will we be able to realize our fullest potentials of expansion. We must overcome any difficulties in ensuring that government files contain only correct information about the Church of Scientology.

These suits are expensive however, and LRH has recommended that we go to the grass roots of Scientology - to the students, PCs, FSMs and supporters of the ideals of the Church for backing.

Donations of any amount specifically for this purpose of forwarding our Freedom of Information suits will be well used towards the expansion of Scientology and towards a more ethical government and saner world.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Rev. Kendrick L. Moxon  
Assistant Guardian for Legal

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