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SUBJECT:

CHURCH UNIVERSAL & TRIUMPHANT

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SUBJECT: CHURCH UNIVERSAL AND TRIUMPHANT, SUMMIT UNIVERSITY,
BOX A, MALIBU, CALIFORNIA; FPC-BUFILES AND IDENT.

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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WAS GATHERED FROM PUBLIC SOURCES.

ON OCTOBER 2, 1975, ELIZABETH CLARE PROPHET KING FILED
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION IN THE STATE OF MONTANA FOR THE CHURCH
UNIVERSAL AND TRIUMPHANT-THE VICAR OF CHRIST, A CORPORATION SOLE.
IN THE SAME DOCUMENTS, KING DESCRIBED HERSELF AS THE ACTING VICAR

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OF CHRIST OF THE CHURCH UNIVERSAL AND TRIUMPHANT (CUT), CHIEF BISHOP AND PRELATE HAVING CANONICALLY TAKEN POSSESSION OF THIS OFFICE ON JUNE 21, 1975. ARTICLE THREE (3) OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION STATE, "WE PROCLAIM THE CHURCH UNIVERSAL AND TRIUMPHANT FOUNDED BY ALMIGHTY GOD UPON THE ROCK OF THE CHRIST CONSCIOUSNESS, TO BE THE TRUE CHURCH OF JESUS THE CHRIST, GAUTAMA, THE BUDDHA, AND ALL WHO HAVE EVER BECOME ONE WITH THE CHRIST AND THE I AM THAT I AM IN THE RITUAL OF THE ASCENSION".

THE "SUMMIT LIGHTHOUSE", BOX A, MALIBU, CALIFORNIA 90265, HAS BEEN SHOWN AS THE PUBLISHER FOR THE CUT. THE "SUMMIT LIGHTHOUSE" IS ASSOCIATED WITH SUMMIT UNIVERSITY WHICH IS ALSO OPERATED BY CUT. ADDITIONALLY, THE WORLD HEADQUARTERS OF THE CHURCH WERE PREVIOUSLY LOCATED AT 26800 WEST MULHOLLAND HIGHWAY, CALADASAS, CALIFORNIA. OTHER DOCUMENTATION RELATING TO BEQUESTS FOR THE CHURCH PROVIDES AN ADDRESS OF THE CHURCH UNIVERSAL AND TRIUMPHANT INCORPORATED, A MONTANA NON-PROFIT CORPORATION, LOCATED AT BOX A, MALIBU, CALIFORNIA.

CRITICS OF THIS ORGANIZATION HAVE DESCRIBED THE CUT AS A "HIGH PRICED MARKETING SCHEME" AND A CULT WHICH UTILIZES SOPHISTICATED RECRUITING TECHNIQUES. THE CHURCH PROMISES TO "DEVELOP LATENT SPIRITUAL FACULTIES, CONTROL AND EXPAND YOUR

AURA, CONTROL THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF YOUR LIFE, AND CHANGE THE COURSE OF LIFE ON EARTH". THOSE CRITICAL OF THE CUT HAVE ADVISED THAT THE STUDENTS OR "CHELAS" OF THE CHURCH CONTRIBUTE TO THE CHURCH UNIVERSAL'S CONTINUAL DRIVE FOR MORE RECRUITS; DONATING THEIR MONEY, SKILLS, AND LABOR IN THE NAME OF CHURCH EXPANSION. CUT HAS ALSO BEEN DESCRIBED AS A "RELIGION" WHICH CAPITALIZES ON THE FADS AND ISSUES OF A PARTICULAR YEAR TO ATTRACT NEW MEMBERSHIP.

ACCORDING TO AN EDITORIAL IN THE "LAS VIRGENES ENTERPRISE", DATED JUNE 25, 1981, "THE CHURCH UNIVERSAL AND TRUMPHANT IS A RELIGION OF THE HOUR, NOT A LASTING INSTITUTION. BUT WHILE IT LASTS, IT'S OUT FOR EVERY DIME THE UNWITTING PUBLIC WILL LET IT COLLECT".

"SUMMIT UNIVERSITY" ACCORDING TO OTHER PUBLIC SOURCE DOCUMENTS, HAS A RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND OFFERS A VARIETY OF CHURCH PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE. ADDITIONALLY, COURSES HAVE BEEN OFFERED BY THE "UNIVERSITY" PERTAINING TO CHURCH IDEOLOGY AND PRACTICES.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

REFERENCE [REDACTED] ^{b7D} TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, JULY 20, 1989.

LOS ANGELES INDICES REFLECT LA FILE 196A-1620 ENTITLED,
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TRIUMPHANT; FRAUD BY WIRE; MAIL FRAUD; OO: LOS ANGELES".

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[REDACTED] LOS ANGELES NOTES THAT SINCE NO FEDERAL
VIOLATIONS WERE DETERMINED TO EXIST, NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION WAS
CONDUCTED.

[REDACTED] IS REQUESTED TO DISSEMINATE THE APPROPRIATE
PORTIONS OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION TO THE [REDACTED]

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IN VIEW OF THE FACT ALL LOGICAL INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN

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FM DIRECTOR FBI (163A-HQ-60522)

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CITE: //0029/

SUBJECT: CHURCH UNIVERSAL AND TRIUMPHANT, SUMMIT UNIVERSITY,
BOX A, MALIBU, CALIFORNIA; FPC-BUFILES AND IDENT.

REFERENCE [REDACTED] TELETYPE DATED 8/26/89 AND b7D
8/31/89.

THIS IS TO ADVISE [REDACTED] THAT FBIHQ IS NOT IN b7D
RECEIPT OF REFERENCED TELETYPE DATED 8/26/89. (H0)

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REFERENCE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, DATED AUGUST 25, 1989 AND [REDACTED] TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, AUGUST 31, 1989.

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INVESTIGATION IN LOS ANGELES CONDUCTED BY SPECIAL AGENT

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SINCE ALL LOGICAL INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN COMPLETED THIS MATTER IS AGAIN CONSIDERED RUC.

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RE [REDACTED] TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR AND LOS ANGELES

CAPTIONED AS ABOVE DATED 7/26/89, AND LOS ANGELES TELETYPE DATED
8/25/89.

LOS ANGELES IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT, AS INDICATED IN
REFERENCED [REDACTED] TELETYPE, [REDACTED]

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RE [redacted] TEL TO DIRECTOR (NO COPY TO LOS ANGELES) DATED 6/28/89, AND DIRECTOR TEL TO [redacted] DATED 7/7/89.

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LOS ANGELES IS REQUESTED TO CHECK INDICES CONCERNING
CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION [REDACTED]

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LOS ANGELES WILL FORWARD
RESULTS TO [REDACTED] IN FORMAT SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION.

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RON MARLENEE
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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

August 4, 1989

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

William Sessions
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigations
10th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. Sessions:

I have been contacted by a constituent who has some concerns about the certain federal investigations into the Church Universal Triumphant located at Corwin Springs, Montana.

I would appreciate if you could provide me with a response that fully answers the questions raised by [REDACTED]

Thanks for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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Interim Reply to Hon. Ron Marlenee
dated 8-10-89

Final Reply
dated 9/8/89

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July 13, 1989

Congressman Ron Marlenee
409 Cannon House Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Marlenee:

Recent developments, including the arrest of a Church Universal member purchasing large amounts of assault guns and ammunition, have caused concern among many members of this community. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I am also very concerned about the possibility of paramilitary activities being practiced in our area.

Although we have heard rumors of Federal Investigations, we have not received any official information. We do not feel that we need to know every detail of Federal Investigations, and if too much publicity is given to such investigations, we realize that they may be affected. We do, however, need assurance that a helpful hand is near in case such activities mushroom beyond the control of our local Sheriff's Department.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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CUT official is arrested for gun deal

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) -- The purported security chief of a controversial Montana religious sect was arrested for illegally purchasing a semi-automatic assault rifle, and documents indicated he planned to outfit 200 people with paramilitary weapons, federal authorities said Monday.

At a news conference where more than a dozen assault weapons and thousands of rounds of ammunition were displayed, U.S. Attorney John Lamp said he would present the case to a federal grand jury, where additional counts could be sought against Vernon D. Hamilton.

Hamilton, 42, of Livingston, Mont., was arrested Friday for investigation of giving a false statement in the acquisition of a firearm from a Spokane firearms dealer.

Although documents found on Hamilton indicated he was the chief of security for the Church Universal and Triumphant, federal officials refused to speculate on whether his purchases were sanctioned, or paid for, by the sect that mixes Christian, New Age and survivalist philosophies.

Ed Francis, the church vice president who handles all press queries, was not in his office Monday and did not return a call.

Lamp said Hamilton could have legally purchased the semi-automatic weapons, including .50-caliber assault rifles and Austrian sniper rifles, if he had used his own name.

Authorities accused Hamilton of using the identity of a deceased San Francisco lawyer to acquire drop

boxes from private mail centers in Spokane, to which ammunition and heavy boxes were mailed.

Michael C. Kelly, resident agent in charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, said documents found on Hamilton during his arrest indicated he had recently purchased \$130,000 in military-style firearms and ammunition and had plans to spend an additional \$150,000.

"There were some documents in his truck that indicated Hamilton attempted to acquire military weapons for 200 men," Kelly said.

Hamilton had been stopped for a traffic violation, and police found weapons in his vehicle. Later, more were found in a storage facility.

If convicted, Hamilton faces a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

The church bought the 12,500-acre Royal Teton Ranch in 1981 from Malcolm Forbes. It borders the northern edge of Yellowstone Park, near Gardiner, Mont.

Since then, church has bought more property in Park County. Total holdings are about 33,000 acres.

The church preaches a mix of Christianity, New Age religion, and right-wing politics. CUT founder Elizabeth Clare Prophet has suggested in past writings and speeches that the church property in Montana would be a good place to survive a nuclear war. Many church residents have built bomb shelters on their property in rural Park County.

Church leaders have denied persistent rumors that the church is storing caches of weapons.

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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

August 10, 1989

Honorable Ron Marlenee
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Congressman Marlenee:

Your August 4th inquiry on behalf of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] has been received. [REDACTED]

concerns are being looked into and we will be back in touch with you as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

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John E. Collingwood
Inspector-in-Charge
Congressional Affairs Office

2 - Salt Lake City - Enclosures (6)

Personal Attention SAC: Attached communication and your records should be reviewed and appropriate information furnished to the Bureau so that a further response can be sent to Congressman Marlenee. Your response should be submitted 10 days from receipt, to the attention of [REDACTED]

- 1 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - [REDACTED] (detached)
- 1 - Congressional Affairs Office

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NOTE: [REDACTED] wrote to Congressman Marlenee regarding the arrest of a member of the Church Universal and Triumphant for purchasing large amounts of assault guns and ammunition. His community is concerned with the arrest and he is concerned about the possibility of paramilitary activities being practiced in his area. He says he has heard rumors of Federal investigations and would like assurance that a helpful hand is near in case such activities mushroom beyond the control of his local sheriff's department. Further response will be based on information provided by Salt Lake City.

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Date 8/28/89

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI [REDACTED]
 ATTN: OFFICE [REDACTED] AFFAIRS
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FROM : SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (66-31884)

SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY

Reference Congressional Affairs Office letter to Congressman MARLENEE dated August 10, 1989.

A review of the Salt Lake City and former Butte Division indices found no references or main files in Salt Lake. The following Butte references were found: 9-1375, 52-0-566, 190-197, and 196B-374. It is noted that there are no ongoing investigations involving the CHURCH UNIVERSAL TRIUMPHANT or [REDACTED]

The 9 file is a control file which contains information about the church. There are seven serials in the file, the majority of which were received from other offices. The 52 file contains a reference to the church. The 190 file is an FOIPA request made by an individual concerning the church. The 196B file is OO Los Angeles (LA-196B-1620). The 196 matter was a lead to Butte to interview an individual regarding the CHURCH UNIVERSAL TRIUMPHANT property. The results were provided to Los Angeles along with the Butte determination that there was no fraud by wire activity being conducted by the church at the time of the RUC communication (dated 2/12/82).

[REDACTED] can be assured that if the Salt Lake City Division of the FBI becomes aware of a criminal violation within its jurisdiction, the

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Let to Hon. Ron Marlenee dated 9/8/89

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matter will be investigated. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The newspaper article that was included with [REDACTED] letter to the Congressman refers to an investigation that was conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms.

September 8, 1989

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Honorable Ron Marlenee
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Congressman Marlenee:

I am writing in further response to your August 4th inquiry on behalf of [redacted] who is concerned about the possibility of paramilitary activities being practiced in his area in view of the arrest of a Church Universal Triumphant member for purchasing large amounts of assault guns and ammunition.

The investigation to which [redacted] refers and which is described in the newspaper article you enclosed was conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, not the FBI.

We appreciate [redacted] concern for the welfare of his community and want to assure him that all allegations of criminal activity received by the FBI are carefully reviewed, and appropriate action is taken should the circumstances warrant it. Also, the FBI can investigate paramilitary training camps only when actual or potential violations of Federal laws within our jurisdiction occur. When we receive information indicating that these camps are engaging in mercenary activities, we investigate accordingly within our established criteria.

We hope that if [redacted] has specific information that he believes warrants an FBI investigation, he will not hesitate to contact his local FBI office.

I trust this information will assist you in responding to your constituent's questions and concerns.

Sincerely yours

John E. Collingwood
Inspector-in-Charge
Congressional Affairs Office

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1 - Congressional Affairs Office

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Honorable Ron Marlenee

NOTE: [REDACTED]

wrote to Congressman Marlenee regarding the arrest of a member of the Church Universal Triumphant for purchasing large amounts of assault guns and ammunition. He and his community are concerned with the arrest and about the possibility of paramilitary activities being practiced [REDACTED] says he heard rumors of Federal investigations and would like assurance that a helpful hand is near in case such activities mushroom beyond the control of his sheriff's department. An interim response was sent to Congressman Marlenee on 8/10/89. Above response based on Salt Lake City airtel 8/28/89, which is attached behind the yellow.

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APPROPRIATE ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY.

CONTACT WAS MADE WITH A SPECIAL AGENT AT BUTTE ON
JUNE 6, 1989, WHO WAS FAMILIAR WITH CUT. HE ADVISED THE CUT
IS A RELIGIOUS GROUP WHICH HAS A LARGE RANCH IN LIVINGSTON,
MT, ON WHICH A LOT OF THE MEMBERS LIVE AND RAISE ALL THEIR
FOOD. TO DATE NO INFORMATION HAS COME TO OUR ATTENTION WHICH
WOULD REQUIRE AN FBI INVESTIGATION.

NO CONTACT HAS BEEN MADE FROM HQ. WITH CALIFORNIA IN
REGARDS TO A BRANCH OF CUT AS SHOWN ON URTEL.

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