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#### Dear Chery:

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This letter was originally written on Aug. 22, 1992, as shown above, but was revised on Sept. 1, 1992, before it was mailed, based on a a significant phone conversation I had with Chantal Code, of AOLA, held on Aug. 8, 1992. It is a follow-up to my last letter, dated June 20, 1992, (attached) in which I expressed my desire to discontinue all auditing and processing, my thanks for the kind intentions of your Org. in my behalf, and my request for a refund of any and all contributions which I have made, for which Scientology ecclesiastical services which have not been rendered to me. Let me explain the dramatic change in my condition, which has occurred since I quit processing, on my own determinism, based on the numbered items of the June 20, 1992 letter:

- 1. Wilma and I are not restimulating each other and, while we have disagreements with each other, like a normal married couple, we are not suffering psychosomatic effects as a result of these.
- 2. My psychosomatics still reoccur when I approach the Org. I, therefore, continue to conclude that I am either restimulated by the Org., someone within the Org. or associated with it, or by the actual process of auditing, which may have been seriously flawed, per Chantal Code, who did the Flub Check at AOLA.
- 3. I am still in psychological counseling as a result of the psychosomatics and other emotional manifestations which I displayed in the last two months of auditing. My psychologist is cognizant of Scientology beliefs and auditing and, upon my asking a direct question, has expressed no criticism thereof; merely saying that it was up to me as to whether I was getting benefit or harm therefrom.
- 4. I have learned a valuable lesson, during the recent several months, about relying upon guns and the like for general self defense. To do so, as a routine, is probably deleterious to my spiritual development, and I, therefore, have decided to relegate them to the function of instruments of recreation, as I had heretofore done. They will be carried for self defense only against specific known threats and/or in known violent or very dangerous areas, where the risk to life and limb is extreme.
- 5. My testimony of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, as properly presented by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Mormons) has grown since I have stopped the Scientology processing. I am once again on the true spiritual path of Salvation (Exaltation), albeit without the tool of

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Scientology, except for that which I retain from the limited processing which I did obtain. As I said previously, all people, including LRH, will have to accept the Plan of Salvation, as presented by the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Anyone who is making the mistake of thinking that LRH's technol-Chery Reeves  $\underline{2}$ 

ogy will accomplish full salvation, is either unaware or forgetting that Heavenly Father (Deity in the Scientology tech.) created the universe and makes and controls all laws that pertain to our eternal destination. Even after all that we can do, ourselves, such as praying, sacrificing, auditing, meditating, etc., it is up to the grace of God, in the person of Jesus Christ, the Great Jehovah, to give us the gift of Eternal Life and Exaltation (Salvation). This concept also applies to all other Deity-oriented religions, to a greater or lesser degree, depending on the amount of absolute truth\* which they contain (\*"the shared reality that they have with Deity"-my definition).

- 6. Wilma has, indeed, been baptized by me, into the Mormon Church, and is doing an excellent job of keeping the "Word of Wisdom", our code of food and substance use and non-abuse, found in the "Doctrine and Covenants" scriptures. We are now taking the follow up lessons which will, ultimately qualify us to be sealed (married for time and eternity), by the authority of God, through the authority of the Melchizedek Priesthood.
- 7. I am more than ever convinced that I had gone way past my own determinism in Scientology practices, having been overly and unduly influenced by the staff, the technology, and my own natural inclination to manifest psychosomatic symptoms in response to stress. I have dropped from 183 lbs. back down to my pre-Scientology weight of 170 lbs., all of it in the form of permanent water loss. My pitting edema in the ankles is gone, the difficulty of breathing and anxiety attacks have disappeared, the water in my bowls has been eliminated, and I can once again exercise. Better yet, I no longer fear that I might die at any moment, as I did during the last month of auditing. I believe that the auditing had driven me into symptoms from which the tech., as applied, was powerless to extract me, and that those symptoms, if they had been allowed to continue much longer, could have resulted in heart damage, that could have, ultimately, been life-threatening.

  8. I appreciate, once again, the intentions of your staff in my behalf, but consider it best for my mental, physical, and spiritual health to permanently discontinue any further Scientology activity. I would much rather be the happy, partially released, preclear that I am now, rather than a dead clear or OT, which I believe I might have become.

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In addition to these points of data and belief, I can now provide you with the results of the communications I had with the Office of the First Presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, regarding my use of the Scientology tech. for assistance in my self-improvement. I will attach a copy of my letter, for your reference, but will only paraphrase their response, since it is privileged and confidential. In my letter I have obliterated all names of individuals, in the Mormon Church, whom I have contacted, since I wish to be certain that they are not approached in any way whatsoever; as their contact with me was also private and confidential.

The Mormon Church did not answer all of my questions, but did provide me with adequate guidance to enable me to confirm that my previous decision to stop all processing was correct. They said, basically, that:

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1. The Church will not publicly criticize any other established church or religion.

2. The Brethren caution members against participation in such groups, as Scientology and similar ones, which might interfere with their Church activities or in any way run contrary to the teachings of the Gospel (the former being a problem I experienced).

3. Members would be best served by studying the Gospel in depth and applying its precepts, Chery Reeves 3

rather than studying the literature or becoming involved in the activities of other religious groups.

4. Members with physical or emotional difficulties are encouraged to seek help from competent and licensed medical professionals and priesthood leaders (also a problem I experienced).

As I said earlier, in this letter, I have followed this advice and have received great benefit already. As such, I am satisfied with this outcome and believe that I have made the correct decision. As a result, I will not require the additional processing for which I was encouraged (pressured) to pay an extremely large sum of money. Although I had previously, in ethics, agreed not to request a refund for any services received (as a matter of honor as well as ethics) I have requested, in the June 20, 1992 letter, the full refund of the substantial sum of approximately \$ 97,802, for which I have yet to receive service and am, indeed, physically incapable of receiving, due in large part to my cardiomyopathic condition. The psychosomatic symptoms encountered during processing could have easily exacerbated my condition and led to further failure of the heart and/or other organs.

Since I repeatedly requested these symptoms to be relieved within the last two months of intensive auditing, which the tech., as applied, was clearly incapable of doing, I have absolutely no confidence in the ability of any portion of the tech. to do so in the future. In fact, I am so concerned that the tech. will harm me physically, by stimulating further psychosomatics to burden my weak heart, that I absolutely refuse to accept any other processing, even if it is to "handle the termination of my case". I have already terminated the case, have resolved my psychosomatics, and am rebuilding my life. All that remains is to collect the above-mentioned refund. Since I have resolved these horrible symptoms myself, by removing myself from the restimulating loop of processing, I am certain that I am deserving of the requested refund, summarized as follows:

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- 1. 200 hrs auditing = \$37,200 \$37,200 (services received) = 0
- 2. Scholarship (Grad.5) = \$ 9,000 \$ 1,000 approx. (svcs.rendered) = \$ 8,000 approx.
- 3. Training materials = approx. \$5,000 nothing (all unused) = \$5,000 approx.
- 4. 200 hrs auditing = \$ 37,200 \$ 7,128 approx. (38 hrs used) = \$ 30,072 approx.
- 5. AOLA (OT-1 thru OT-5) = \$54,730 nothing (all unused) = \$54,730

TOTAL = \$97,802 approx.

Again, since you and David Sonenfild were functioning as a team and joint registrars with me, when you extracted the fourth and fifth amounts (200 hrs of Org. auditing plus AOLA), I am asking you to deal with AOLA on this matter for me. I have copied Chantal Code on this letter, per her request by phone, of Aug. 26, 1992 and she has agreed to work with you on this issue. The

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Scientology administrative tech. simply states that such refunds shall be made, with no preconditions, such as termination processing, while simultaneously eliminating the requestor from any futher processing in this life. This is satisfactory to me, as I obviously am not interested in any such, basically on the basis of the adverse health effects generated in my case.

Thank you again for all of your assistance and services rendered, however out-tech. they may have been; I believe you had my best interest at heart, regardless of errors. Please facilitate and expedite this request, as \$ 97,802 accumulates substantial interest, when invested, but none if in Chery Reeves 4

limbo, and I have investment plans for that sum, in order to provide for further financial resources that Wilma and I may need, due to our disabling health conditions. I consequently expect such refund no later than Sept. 22, 1992, which allows 21 days for mail, check writing, and return mail.

cc: Chantal Code Julie W. Smith Joan Ryan Original signed Sept.), 199 John T. Barrow, Jr. DBA.

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Please continue to assist me in obtaining my needs and wishes in this matter. I would like you to now take the lead in this issue, in that you are the person who did the flub check of my folder, you are senior to the Phoenix Org., and you seem to best understand my case. I will be leaving for vacation on Nov. 20, to return on Nov. 29. Therefore, a call to my home or work on or around Nov. 30 would be appreciated. It would also be appreciated if the refunds could be processed before the end of 1992. Thank you.

cc: Chery Reeves Julie Smith Joan Ryan

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