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I read the “profile” on Paul Haggis. While I took offense at many issues, there are specific falsehoods I cannot let pass: 1) No one has ever been “sentenced” to any penalty in the Church of Scientology. That is patently false and offensive and contrary to the very tenets of our religion. All staff and parishioners abide by the scriptures of our Founder, L. Ron Hubbard, entirely on their own determinism, including our Ethics and Justice codes; 2) Your characterization of the leader of the Scientology religion, Mr. David Miscavige, is false. I have worked under Mr. Miscavige for three decades and I have never met a more compassionate, kind and hardworking man in my entire life. This is a man who always demands more from himself than anyone else—be it in the assignment of the most difficult tasks or the number of hours spent at work, where he routinely puts in 18 to 20-hour days, 7 days a week. It is an unarguable fact that no one else has done so much, been so unselfishly dedicated and worked so hard and so successfully at making the goals of our Founder a reality.

Under Mr. Miscavige’s leadership, the Church has been experiencing its fastest and greatest era of expansion ever. We have new magnificent Ideal Scientology Churches to service communities the world over: London, Johannesburg, New York, Washington D.C., Buffalo, Tampa, San Francisco, San Jose, Dallas, Nashville, Malmo, Berlin, Madrid and Rome. And in just the past year, we have added another eight in Brussels, Mexico City, Los Angeles, Pasadena, Las Vegas, Quebec, Seattle and Melbourne—plus an additional 60 new Church buildings to open in the next two years. In just the past 5 years, our expansion has surpassed the preceding 50 years—*combined*.

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