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#### PE HANDOUT

The following releases should be attractively letter-pressed on small individual sheets and are each one a part of the Auto Eval Packet, HCO Policy Letter March 2, 1961.

IMPORTANT: This is "What is Scientology?", the release required to be given PE Test people as per HCO Policy Letter of March 2, 1961, No. 3 of eight items.

No. 7 (The State of Release) has already come to you as part of a recent Info Ltr, and is repeated here, together with numbers 4, 5 and 6. Numbers 1 and 2 will be sent to you shortly.

#### WHAT IS SCIENTOLOGY?

For hundreds of years physical scientists have been seeking to apply the exact knowledge they had gained of the physical universe to Man and his problems.

Newton, Sir James Jeans, Einstein, have all sought to find the exact laws of human behavior in order to help Mankind.

Developed by L. Ron Hubbard, C.E., Ph.D., a nuclear physicist, Scientology has demonstrably achieved this long-sought goal. Doctor Hubbard, educated in advanced physics and higher mathematics and also a student of Sigmund Freud and others, began his present researches thirty years ago at George Washington University. The dramatic result has been Scientology, the first major and complete breakthrough by the exact sciences into the field of the humanities. Although taken from the material sciences, Scientology is dedicated in the finest tradition of human dignity and freedom espoused by brilliant men in all periods of Man's ascendancy over his relationship to the animal. The laws of this science proved to be startlingly simple when found, well within the grasp of the average person. It is a tenet of Scientology that this knowledge belongs to Man, not in the forbidding halls of learning. It is the science of the Man, the Woman and the Child in the street. It belongs to us, the People, not to any vested interest on Earth.

Scientology means the "study of knowledge". Scio is knowing in the fullest sense of the word, and logos, study.

Scientology is today the only successfully validated psychotherapy in the world. Tens of thousands of completely documented cases exist in the files of the Hubbard Association of Scientologists International.

Scientology has many "firsts". These include:

Scientology is a precision science. It is the first precision science in the field of the humanities. Yet it is sufficiently simple and rapid that where it requires twelve years to train a psychiatrist, eight weeks of heavy Scientology training can permit a person to achieve results. However, for a truly skilled Scientologist, the training period, for a doctorate in the subject, is usually not under five years and has been ten years.

Ample records exist to substantiate these firsts. Further, the results of Scientology are easily demonstrable claims that can be duplicated by competent practitioners at will using Scientology principles correctly.

The first axiomatic construction of the basic laws of thought and behavior in Man.

The first science to isolate the life unit that perceives and generates energy, a discovery comparable to the isolation of the nucleus in atomic physics.

The first science to prove that IQ and intelligence can be improved and are not inherent in a person.

The first science to discover and isolate the reactive or subconscious mind.

The first science to isolate and classify accurately the twenty-four parts of the human mind. Previous to Scientology only the brain, the body, Freud's subconscious and Pavlov's Stimulus-Response law were known. Scientology has clarified these four and has discovered an additional twenty parts, any one of them more important to Man in his efforts to bring peace and order to his environment and Earth.

The first science to determine accurately the honesty and potential character of people by invariable instrument means.

The first mental science to subject itself to the most severe validation tests.

The first science to establish a new state or condition for Man which exceeds earlier concepts of Man's potential. This alone in Scientology remains expensive due to the skilled attention it requires but is usually a quarter the price of an analysis.

The first science to put the cost of psycho-therapy within the range of any person's pocket book. A complete Freudian analysis cost three to five thousand pounds. Better results can be achieved in Scientology for ten pounds and, on a group basis, for shillings.

The first science to make whole classes of backward children averagely bright using only drills the teacher can do a few minutes each day.

The first science to determine the basic cause of disease.

The first science to contain exact technology to routinely alleviate physical illnesses with completely predictable success.

The first science of mind to prove conclusively that physical illness can stem from mental disturbance, a fact which. Freud held only as a theory, and only seldom demonstrated.

Dianetics is a sub-subject of Scientology and covers the anatomy of the mind rather than the brain. "Dia"—through; "noos"—mind.

In its early years Dianetics and Scientology, representing the severe viewpoint of the physical sciences, were considered highly controversial. Since that time many of its minor discoveries have been borrowed by the humanities.

A host of famous names have passed through Scientology clinics. But it is against Association policy to reveal their identities just as the Association protects their secrets.

The Code of a Scientologist, under which Scientologists practice, is the most severe ethical code known to physical or mental groups or practices. In addition to other points, a practitioner must return a patient's fees if therapy is not considered successful. Only an average of one case in all the thousands treated in any year over the whole world ever requests a return of fees and these are immediately refunded. A practitioner may be dismissed from the Association and forbidden to practice if he violates any single part of the code.

Scientology erects no barriers to anyone by reason of religion or political affiliations; Scientology has no quarrel with the practitioners of other schools and its materials are always fully available to them, but they may not use them on patients unless the practitioner is also trained in Scientology. Medical and psychiatric degrees do not grant the right of practice of Scientology.

Scientology practitioners are called "auditors"—"one who listens and computes". Scientology auditors are available to service in any Mental Health activity in (Country) on a paid or voluntary basis, but by Association regulations, may not take staff posts in institutions which practice therapies such as electric shock which can physically harm patients.

Scientologists do not use drugs or hypnotism. They employ only their exact knowledge of the human mind.

The fullest results of Scientology are available in (City).

Scientology Central Organizations exist on every continent and centres exist in

most large cities. The principal Scientology Organization in the world is The Hubbard Association of Scientologists International. The "HASI" in (City) controls all Scientology in (Country). It is located at (address).

The "HASI" is (Country's) largest mental health organization and has a dozen practitioners for every one in other mental practices.

The Association is not political in nature. It is humanitarian. By International Board Resolution of long standing every Central Organization and its staff is admonished to be loyal to the Government in power in the country where it exists and not espouse political controversies.

#### THE CHEAPEST WAY

The easiest and least expensive way to improve your life is to take a Personal Efficiency Course and then the HAS Co-Audit.

This is the lowest cost effective mental help on Earth.

It is very little trouble to put into effect.

You go five evenings the first week and only three evenings a week afterwards.

By giving help to another person like yourself and receiving help from him you improve your IQ and personality.

Tens of thousands of graphs, like the one you have received, have been enormously improved by the "PE" route.

Expert, qualified Scientologists are supervising you every moment of the way on the "PE" route.

It is all good fun as well and you will come to know some of the finest people you ever met—people like you who have just taken a test and now want to do something about it.

All you have to do is see the Consultant. Just say "I want to take the PE" and you will be signed up at once.

A few days after you will be wanting to thank us all for having opened this door for you.

Your future depends entirely on either Fate or upon your taking the "PE Course".

Sign up and make some new friends for yourself and a new life.

## THE FASTEST WAY

The quickest way to change your graph, raise your IQ and alter your future is to see the Consultant and procure *Individual Processing*.

A highly skilled and experienced Scientologist will give you fast intensive processing daily for a week or as long as you require.

The processing consists of getting you to look at and break through all the barriers you've erected between yourself and your goals.

No drug, hypnotism or psychiatry is used. Only various mental drills that lead you out into life instead of on down into the steady grind.

Thousands of persons have been individually processed around the world with the greatest success.

Be sure you will be in good hands.

We are friends of yours.

We want you to be as well a friend to yourself.

If you want the fastest way see the Consultant and say "I want individual processing".

It is more costly than the PE route but it is a thousand times faster.

Remember, only Scientology discovered IQ could be bettered, personality improved and one's fate altered. And *Individual Processing* is the fastest, surest way.

The Hubbard Guidance Centre is there to help you.

#### THE EDUCATIONAL WAY

There are many books on the subject of Scientology.

By reading them you can help yourself at very little expense.

The following is the available book list. Buy the copies you want from the Receptionist.

(List available books and prices)

# THE STATE OF RELEASE

The purpose of Scientology is to make the able more able.

There are several grades of ability in Scientology. The first of these is the general state of the unprocessed human being, or "the average person".

The first level above that is that of "Scientology Release".

A Release is precisely defined as one who has no psychotic or neurotic tendencies of any kind and has a certainty that he will get no worse.

Technically, a Release is one whose graph has been raised by processing and whose IQ has been improved.

This is done by Scientology processing obtainable from the Hubbard Guidance Centre or from the "HAS Co-Audit" (Do It Yourself Processing).

It is a wonderful thing to be able to attain the status of a "Release". For one is now more cause over life and is less the effect of his environment.

Far above "Release" are other states of being such as "Clear". However, this is a goal much more distant. One's first target is a "Scientology Release". Now one has a happier future, is luckier and more able to cope with life.

A "Release" Certificate is issued without charge by the Hubbard Guidance Centre or the PE Foundation to anyone whose Test clearly demonstrates that he or she has attained this state.

It is a grand feeling to be a "Scientology Release".

Try it.

L. RON HUBBARD

(Please note: The article "What is Scientology?" has been entirely re-written by Ron, and this one should be used in preference to the original one which was written in Johannesburg and issued from there—HCO Sec WW)

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