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TEXT:

The jury in the Scientology trial yesterday heard evidence about that group's infamous ``Fair Game Law'' which authorized attacks on their enemies.

Testifying for his third day, Scientology's former Deputy Guardian for Canada, Bryan Levman, said the Fair Game Law and other policies were the basis for a world-wide campaign of spying and theft.

The Church of Scientology and five members are on trial for criminal breach of trust in connection with a spy network that planted agents in the RCMP, the OPP, Metro Police and the attorney-general's office.

Levman, testifying under a grant of immunity, admitted ordering numerous criminal acts against Scientology enemies, but said he felt he had authorization to do so.

Levman quoted from policies written by Scientology founder L. Ron Hubbard which stated ``I am not interested in WOG (non-Scientology) morality,'' and said Scientology was at war with its enemies.

``We all felt there was an insane segment of society that wanted to destroy Scientology,'' Levman testified, adding he felt he was ``doing my part to save the planet'' when he ordered criminal acts.

Under cross-examination from Clay Ruby - who's defending the Scientology organization - Levman rejected Ruby's assertion Hubbard was no longer running Scientology during the mid-70s when the group's spy network was in full swing.

``That wasn't the case,'' Levman said, adding orders for Scientology's covert and illegal intelligence actions often included phrases like ``Ron (Hubbard) wants this done.''

He also said that at one point, years after Hubbard had supposedly resigned, he received a telex from Hubbard ordering him to run an intelligence security check on dissident Scientologists who had gone to the police.

ILLUSTRATION:

photo of L. Ron Hubbard  
Scientologist