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William Thackeray
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04 March 2011

Dear Mr. Thackeray

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – REQUEST 1113

Thank you for your request for information, which we received on 02 March 2011.
You asked us for the following book in electronic format:

Atack, Jon. A piece of blue sky : Scientology, Dianetics, and L.
Ron Hubbard exposed / (New York, NY : Carol Pub. Group, 1990.)
91/10703 (081840499X)

We confirm that the British Library does indeed hold a copy of this book in our Collections. If you wish to inspect a copy of the work in question in our Reading Rooms, this option is available to you using the Library's normal Reader processes. Details of how to become a Reader of the British Library can be found on our website at: <http://www.bl.uk/reshelp/inrooms/stp/register/stpregister.html>

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Alternatively, an online search of well known merchants reveals that the book in question is widely available for sale, and will quickly and easily identify many copies for purchase at reasonable prices.

In light of the above options, we have considered your request for information and are writing to advise you that the information is being withheld under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act.

Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 provides that information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant other than by request under the Act is exempt from disclosure. As this work is already available to you by other means we are not required to provide a copy. Section 21 is an absolute exemption and therefore we are not required to further consider the public interest in disclosure.

This letter therefore acts as a refusal notice under Section 17(1) of the Act.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to:

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you may appeal directly to the Information Commissioner at the address given below. You should do this within two months of our final decision. There is no charge for making an appeal.

Further information on the Freedom of Information Act 2000 is available from the Information Commissioner's Office:

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Yours sincerely

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