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Washington Times Aviation USA LLC (WTA) is shocked and dismayed at the threats contained in the memo issued on April 2, 2010, by the FFWPU International Headquarters (Ref. No. FFWPUI 2010-13). This memo not only threatens Unification Church members with disciplinary action, including legal action and expulsion from the church, for exercising their legitimate rights of free speech, but requires members to first obtain an official approval before speaking about matters of general concern within the church, "regardless of the truth" of what is said. Such public censorship and abuse of official position is not only unprecedented, it reeks of totalitarianism that makes a mockery of the Founder's lifelong struggles to eliminate such regimes and replace them with one of heart and individual responsibility.

The subjects of the memo, Mr. Kyoung Hyo Kim and Mr. Seong Ho Lee, were asking legitimate questions about the intentions and motivations of the Mission Foundation leaders' groundless accusations against Dr. Hyun Jin Moon; in particular, the inflammatory allegation that he had sued his mother – a total fabrication. For this, Mr. Kim has been terminated from HSA-UWC, his family forced to move out of the United States, threatened with excommunication, and sued by the Mission Foundation lawyer, Mr. Richard Bach, for \$8 million (attachment 1). All for exercising rights of free speech protected by the laws of most modern nations.

The legal notification that the FFWPU International memo is referring to is the official notice that WTA sent to the Mission Foundation on November 18, 2009, essentially asking them to protect the approximately \$21 million that was improperly transferred from its bank accounts to the Mission Foundation bank accounts. The official record of notice that WTA and its Korean law firm, HMP, have in their possession is attached (attachment 2), and this is also the exact same notice that is on file with the Seoul Western District Court. However, the version that the Mission Foundation produced (as sent by the FFWPUI announcement) had a discrepancy, in particular, an addition of one paragraph, causing Mr. Kim to suspect foul play.

WTA has not and will not issue public announcements about the discrepancy between the official notice it sent and the version the Mission Foundation claims it received. However, Mr. Kim's expressions of suspicion about the falsification of the document were clearly reasonable and the FFWPU International's claim that the "allegation has been confirmed to be in error" is simply not so. The fact remains that the discrepancy has not been explained.

However, the issue of two variations of the notice is nothing more than a smokescreen to try to avoid the real issue at heart: Why and with what motivation did the Mission Foundation make the false public accusation that Dr. Hyun Jin Moon had sued his mother? It appears that Mr. Kim and Mr. Lee are being singled out as being the "perpetrators" inciting public unrest for raising this fundamental and important question. It would serve the entire Unification movement well to receive an answer to Mr. Kim's question, rather than just let the Mission Foundation or FFWPU International put on a show trial of Mr. Kim and Mr. Lee conducted by what will surely be a preselected and agenda-driven "disciplinary committee," in order to divert attention away from this real issue.

Mr. Kim will undoubtedly be vindicated, as he was completely justified in criticizing the Mission Foundation's mischaracterizations. It is surely more important to ask what the current leadership of the Unification move-

ment is turning into, now that the Mission Foundation or FFWPU International feels free to threaten church members with expulsion and lawsuits for speaking their minds on matters of concern within the church community. These are the tactics of fear and oppression, not leadership.

- 1. Attachment 1: Richard Bach's \$8 million lawsuit against Mr. Kyoung Hyo Kim
- 2. Attachment 2: WTA's original notification to the Mission Foundation

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