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Society Officers

Northern Light URANTIA Society of Alaska
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8-31-90

URANTIA Foundation
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Dear Trustees,

Your letter of 8-1-90 requests our Society to make a mutually exclusive affiliation with Fifth Epochal Fellowship (FEF), or URANTIA Brotherhood Association (UBA). The Northern Light URANTIA Society of Alaska does not wish to participate in your attempt to polarize what precious few readers there are in this movement. We wish to support and affiliate both the Foundation, and the FEF.

Our Society has numerous concerns regarding your request:

1. In light of recent events, we will not take our affiliations lightly. You are asking us to affiliate with the URANTIA Brotherhood Association when we still have no information regarding its purpose, constitution, and charter. Eight months ago, in our Society's letter dated 12-10-89, this information was requested and we have yet to receive a reply. Please forward requested information in a timely manner.
2. It is still not clear why it is not "necessary or permissible" for our Society to affiliate with any entity which we choose, including FEF, as long as there is no violation of our licensing agreement. Affiliation with FEF would aid in the furtherance of our statement of purpose from our constitution. Please inform us, with language from our licensing agreement, not from your "Special Report", how our Society would violate said agreement through affiliation with FEF.
3. It behooves all interested persons to build a strong, stable, and large network of readers before the copyright expires. This is the most effective means to protect the book. The Foundation has been vehemently protecting only a very narrow legal perspective and by splitting with the largest, strongest, most effective fellowship of readers, has done more to damage the movement than any other previous incident. This movement is in it's infant stage. The best way to "protect" an infant is not to rule it with an iron fist, but to nurture with advice and guidance. It is not possible for a parent to rule a child in all phases of growth with complete control. It is not possible, nor desirable, for the Foundation to rule all phases of growth in this movement.

4. There were objections from the Societies to the licensing agreements signed in the late 1970s and following because the Foundation claimed in the agreements to have "commenced" the word "URANTIA" and the Concentric Circles Symbol. Any reader of THE URANTIA BOOK knows the Foundation did not commence the Word or Symbol. The persuasive verbal promises that the legal power derived from the licensing agreements would only be used to protect the Word and Symbol from abuse have now been broken. The Foundation is attempting to use the licensing agreements to control all aspects of the movement. This is neither possible, desirable, nor part of the Foundation's declaration of trust.

It is only a matter of time before the Foundation and the FEF join forces once again. Perhaps it will take 200 years, but it will happen. It is our hope and goal to contribute to this rejoining. This is why we are reluctant to act on your request for a mutually exclusive affiliation. Once you have responded to our four concerns, we will decide. We await your response.

Sincerely,

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