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News from Info-Cult

Info-Cult's 25th Anniversary

- You may have received information about our 25th Anniversary and the booklet (available on our website) which was produced to commemorate the event. We received media coverage on radio, TV and in print highlighting our Anniversary.
- As is the case with many other activities at Info-Cult, the booklet was prepared thanks to the efforts of volunteers.
- In the booklet statistics summarizing 25 years of requests were presented. Info-Cult received more than 70,000 requests since we began and the table below provides a sample of where the requests originated from.

Number	From
9 325	Individuals, families and/or friends
2 855	Media representatives.
2 341	Students
2 058	Non-governmental organizations
1 389	Government Agencies
1 098	Former members
949	Professionals
855	Schools
505	Members

As can be seen most of the requests concerned individual and family related issues such as;

- A friend or loved one's involvement in a group;
- Problems that former members faced related to their group experiences;
- Members of diverse groups that often called reflecting on their involvement;
- Individuals seeking help in making the right choice before joining a group.

These kinds of requests continue to be the most often received at Info-Cult.

Web site

In addition to information that we send out by email pointing out the updates to our site we add new items on a regular basis which are not announced. For example on **The Legal and Government Documents** page, government reports and court decisions provide recent and past information on cult-related issues from different countries such as:

Council of Europe Switzerland United States

• And from Canada

Government: Recent additions such as Religions in Canada and the Policy Research on Polygamy

Court Decisions: Concerning specific groups and subjects

- On our **Announcement Page** besides upcoming programs and conferences you can have access to past TV programs such as:
 - Sinful Acts (Children of God) 60 Minutes (Australia)
 - Landmark: croissance personnelle ou croissance des profits? (Radio-Canada Les Affaires et la vie)
 - Bustup in Bountiful (CBC Fifth Estate)

ICSA (International Cultic Studies Association) International Conference in Denver

The next ICSA Conference will take place (June 22 – 24, 2006). As with past conferences Mike Kropveld, Info-Cult's Executive Director has been actively involved in its organization. In addition, he and Info-Cult's president, Carolle Tremblay esq. will be presenting at the conference. Mike Kropveld will be moderating a session on Polygamy and presenting with Michael Langone (Executive Director of ICSA) and Miquel Perado on *Future Directions*. Carolle Tremblay's topic will be *If Mom and Dad are Getting Divorced, Better Have God on Your Witness List*.

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