

Leaked Videos Expose Controversial Issues Mormon Leaders Discuss in Secret

Fifteen secretly filmed videos leaked over the weekend, exposing what really happens behind closed doors in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

An anonymous person shot the videos from 2007-2011. Content ranges from embracing Islamic families, gay rights, legalizing marijuana and how to make political gains, according to *Deseret News*.

"I'm suspicious that the news media cover up anything involving homosexuals when it would work to the disadvantage of the homosexual agenda," Elder Dallin Oaks said in one video.

LDS officials say the filmed content was informational only.

"Most of these videos appear to be from briefings received by senior church leaders between 2007 and 2012," Spokesman Eric Hawkins said. "In these committee meetings, presentations are routinely received from various religious, political and subject-matter experts on a variety of topics.

"The purpose is to understand issues that may face the church and is in pursuit of the obligation church leaders feel to be informed on and have open discussion about current issues. This is an informational forum, not a decision-making body."

The 15 specific titles released so far include:

- Briefing on the Housing Crisis
- In Which the Apostles Obsess Over Chelsea (Bradley) Manning's Sexuality
- Addressing the Problem of Mormons Marrying Later in Life

- In Which They Discuss How Relations With Islam Can Be Improved
- In Which They Fret Over Politics
- In Which They Watch a Clip from Pirates of the Caribbean
- In Which They Fret Over the Young Single Adults
- Church Preparedness
- In Which the Apostles Crack Jokes About Gambling in Las Vegas and 9/11
- In Which They Fret About Religious Freedom With Some Classic Bednar in the Last Five Minutes
- In Which They Fret Over the Growing Popularity of Marijuana
- In Which They Discuss Politics With Senator Gordon Smith
- In Which They Fret Over Science and Worldly Morals
- In Which They Express Confidence That Kurds will One Day Become Mormon
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