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Pursuant to Part 97.205 (e) which states in part, "Limiting the use of a repeater to only certain user stations is permissible" this letter shall serve as written notice that you are hereby restricted from using the repeaters of the WIN System, including, but not limited to, those R.F. stations in Southern California, along with any and all internet related linking radio over internet protocol platforms, such as I.R.L.P., Echolink, Allstar, iaxrpt, and D.V. Switch, from now until May 01, 2021.

On January 27, 2021, the combined group of Board of Directors, along with the Control Operators of this network held a Skype conference call. At that time, numerous ongoing violations of our Procedures, which are clearly set forth in writing and available at <<https://www.winsystem.org/procedures/>> were discussed from several stations using our network. In particular, it was noted that item #2 was routinely being violated with regards to political and religious discussions and inciting other stations on the network to do the same. Audio recordings of statements such as, "We will not be censored" and, "We will not be silenced" were reviewed by the panel of members in attendance. While our Procedures and Guidelines cannot anticipate every scenario that will emerge on the air, the general spirit of these documents is to avoid subjects of a polarizing nature, that frequently generate strong feelings of resentment by parties not in agreement with a particular opinion being given.

To set the record straight, the WIN System IS NOT AND NEVER HAS BEEN A FREEDOM OF SPEECH SYSTEM. It has always been a privately owned system, that welcomes all properly licensed stations whom agree to operate within the limitations of our Procedures and Guidelines, along with the Part 97 Rules. Following the Procedures and Guidelines is a mandatory requirement of all stations for continued use of the network.

It was also noted that you "check stations in on the cardboard" during your morning operating times. The "cardboard" in this case is clearly a net log, and you are performing the functions of a net control station by logging stations on your cardboard, and directing which station can talk next. You can call it a "round table" or whatever you wish, but if it walks like a duck and talks like a duck, then this is clearly a net you are conducting. Nobody present on the call was in disagreement of that fact. None of the management of this network has authorized you to operate a net. During these times, you have also been observed engaging in reading long articles from published documents, in violation of Part 97 Rules regarding "broadcasting." Nobody will argue that reading one sentence to quote someone or make a point is an issue, but entire paragraphs and articles, really?

As of May 01, 2021, you will be permitted to return to the system on a probationary period, to be determined by the review panel. Further willful violations of our Procedures and Guidelines can and will result in your permanent revocation of privileges to operate on this network. You will handle yourself on the system in a respectful manner. You will not bad mouth other operators or controllers and you will not talk down the policies of the network. If you have an issue with same, then do not use the system.

This letter is being sent to you via email as well as a paper copied mailed to your address of record with the F.C.C. A copy is being furnished to the F.C.C. Enforcement Bureau in addition. Please direct any inquiries you may have to our Chief Controller, KG5IOK, Terry, at kg5iok@winsystem.org via email.